

ACA Announces Formation of Chiropractic Board of Clinical Nutrition

The [American Chiropractic Association](#) (ACA) is pleased to announce the formation of the Chiropractic Board of Clinical Nutrition (CBCN), which is now authorized to grant diplomate status in the field of clinical nutrition.

"A credentialing and certifying agency, the [Chiropractic Board of Clinical Nutrition](#) was formed as a professional specialty board for doctors of chiropractic," said CBCN President Jeffrey E. Weber, MA, DC, DCBCN. "Our goals are to advance clinical nutrition while at the same time enhancing the health of chiropractic patients."

Any doctor of chiropractic who has taken nutrition classes offered through an accredited institution may be eligible to be grandfathered into the CBCN until Sept. 30, 2009. Grandfathering of initial CBCN diplomates are allowed as follows:

- A licensed doctor of chiropractic who can verify they have or had a diplomate in nutrition will be grandfathered into the CBCN without examination.
- A doctor of chiropractic who meets any of the following requirements will be grandfathered into the CBCN without examination; however, they will be obligated to sit for the first available certification exam if they desire to maintain diplomate status:
 - Has completed the 300-hour nutrition diplomate course (verified by official transcript);
 - Has a verified master's degree in nutrition from an accredited institution and a minimum of three years in practice; or
 - Has official transcript validation of having completed a minimum of 400 hours in nutrition and has a minimum of five years in practice.

The CBCN was created and operates under the auspices of the ACA with full autonomy in the areas of testing standards and procedures. The CBCN is collaborating with the [National Board of Chiropractic Examiners](#) to develop and administer the CBCN examination. A date has not yet been set for the first certification examination.

For more information, visit the [CBCN Web site](#), which offers board bylaws, frequently asked questions and access to the grandfathering application.

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