



## **A LEGACY OF LEADERSHIP 97 YEARS STRONG!**

The MCA has proudly served as Maryland's ONLY chiropractic association for nearly a century. We welcome and represent all chiropractic voices, fostering a strong, unified profession.

### Respected & Connected in Annapolis

The MCA is highly regarded by legislators and healthcare leaders. We lead the charge in shaping legislation that protects your scope of practice while enhancing healthcare for Maryland residents.

#### Protecting Chiropractic Adjustments from Encroachment

Time and time again, the MCA has fought off attempts by other professions to perform chiropractic adjustments without the proper training and expertise, ensuring that patient safety and chiropractic integrity remain intact.

### Restoring Pediatric Chiropractic Coverage

When CareFirst BC/BS removed pediatric chiropractic manipulation from its medical policy, the MCA took action and got full coverage reinstated.

#### Chiropractors Recognized as Essential Healthcare Providers

During the COVID-19 pandemic, the MCA ensured chiropractors were classified as essential healthcare providers, allowing them to continue treating patients during state restrictions.

#### A National Leader in Chiropractic Assistant (CA) Training & Certification

For over a decade, the MCA has been a pioneer in Chiropractic Assistant education, developing a gold-standard training and certification program that has served as a model for multiple states.

## Collaboration with the State BOE

The MCA enjoys a strong, cooperative relationship with the Maryland State Board of Chiropractic Examiners, working together to advance chiropractic standards and policies.

# Influence in Insurance & Policy Decisions

The MCA holds seats on Professional Advisory Committees for insurance companies and third-party administrators, giving chiropractors a direct voice in shaping policy decisions that impact their practices.

Expanding Chiropractic Scope: Myofascial Trigger Point Dry Needling

Thanks to MCA advocacy, chiropractors in Maryland can legally perform Myofascial Trigger Point Dry Needling, expanding treatment options for patients.

Chiropractic as an Essential Benefit under the ACA

The MCA successfully secured Chiropractic as an Essential Health Benefit under the Affordable Care Act (ACA), ensuring that all ACA health plans must offer chiropractic services.

#### Launching a CA X-Ray Certification Course

The MCA is introducing a Chiropractic Assistant X-Ray Certification course, allowing CAs to legally perform X-rays inoffice, further enhancing your practice efficiency and patient care.