

The guideline of the ACC outlined four elements that are parts of an appropriate statement of informed consent. The four components of informed consent in general are:

- (1) the proposed procedure; Initial: _____
- (2) the potential benefits; Initial: _____
- (3) risks of the procedure; Initial: _____
- (4) common alternatives to the procedure, including refusing care and the associated risks of that refusal. Initial: _____

Informed Consent: Summary, section 319.1: A licensed doctor of *chiropractic shall verbally and in writing inform each patient of the material risks of proposed care*”. “Material” shall be defined as a procedure inherently involving known risk of serious bodily harm. The Chiropractor shall obtain the **patient’s written informed consent prior to initiating clinical care.** The signed written consent shall become part of the patient’s record. Initial: _____

Violation of the new and modified patient informed consent both verbal and written prior to clinical care, constitutes unprofessional conduct and may subject the licensee to disciplinary action.

The key to the process is the **focused dialogue with the patient. You need to have a conversation with the patient about the care you are going to provide, the benefits and risk of the care, the alternatives to the care you recommend and the effect of doing nothing about the problem the patient is presenting.** The **patient must have** the ability to **ask questions** about the information you are providing, the patient provides the signed written consent and understands the consent becomes a part of the patient’s record. Initial: _____

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I freely & fully understand the proposed procedure, the potential benefits and risks involved in the procedure, as well as understand there are common alternatives to the procedure, including refusing care and the associated risks of that refusal. Initial: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____, **20** _____