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ropractic Education (CCE) circles are, from my perspective, far to cavalier and far to naïve to let go by without comment from the malpractice perspective. Motivated by these concerns, I submitted a letter to the CCE, in response to the comment opportunity afforded by the accrediting body. This is what I wrote: "...The clear expansion of liability potential inherent in two of the proposed changes in CCE standards is of special, indeed, urgent concern. I refer to a desire on the part of some within the CCE to substitute the term "primary care physician" for established chiropractic reference terms such as doctor of chiropractic. This step is clearly beyond what state laws and regulations authorize for the doctor of chiropractic and carries with it significant consequences, all dangerous and potentially economically devastating.

"Likewise, the initiative to "include physiotherapy in doctor of chiropractic degree requirements and in the clinical competencies." **This step is certainly to be interpreted as a signal to the underwriting industry of the need to recalculate risk/premium equations, a step that will cost every doctor of chiropractic additional malpractice premium expenses, regardless of how or where they practice...**"


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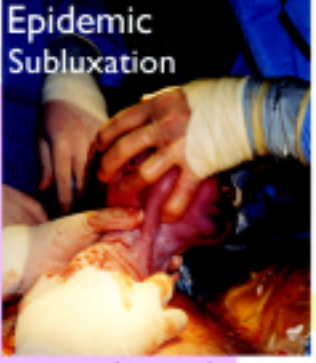
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