

# General Public Survey

## 1. General Public Information Sheet

Chiropractic Workforce Study – the General Public  
Information sheet

You are invited to participate in a WEB-survey on the chiropractic workforce in Australia. The purpose of this study is to investigate the nature and supply of chiropractic services across Australia. In this survey you will be asked to express your views on chiropractic in your area.

The study is being conducted by Associate Professor Goran Strkalj, Dr. Ramon Fernandez-Caamano, Dr. Sharyn Eaton, and Associate Professor Rodney Bonello, all Academics from the Department of Chiropractic at Macquarie University in Sydney. Contact details for the research team are: email: [sci.workshop@mq.edu.au](mailto:sci.workshop@mq.edu.au), telephone: (02) 9850-1091, mailing address: Manpower Research Team, Department of Chiropractic, Faculty of Science, Macquarie University, E7A-225, North Ryde, NSW 2109. This project is funded by grants from the Chiropractors Association of Australia, and by Macquarie University.

If you decide to participate, and click “Yes” below, you will be redirected to the actual survey. In that survey you will be asked to complete a questionnaire which should take you less than 10 minutes to complete. If you decide not to participate in our web-survey, you can click on “No” below. If that is your stated preference, you will be thanked for your consideration, and will not be directed to the survey.

The survey is anonymous. Any information gathered is confidential. You will not be identified in any publication of the results. Any information or personal details gathered in the course of the study are confidential (except as required by law). No individual will be identified in any publication of the results. Although the results of this study will be published, no personally identifiable information will be revealed. The data will be kept in secure servers by the Research Team. A summary of the results can be made available to you on request. If you are interested in receiving a copy of the results, please contact the research team at [sci.workshop@mq.edu.au](mailto:sci.workshop@mq.edu.au).

The ethical aspects of this study have been approved by the Macquarie University Ethics Review Committee (Human Research). If you have any complaints or reservations about any ethical aspect of your participation in this research, you may contact the Ethics Review Committee through the Director, Research Ethics (telephone 9850 7854; email [ethics@mq.edu.au](mailto:ethics@mq.edu.au)). Any complaint you make will be treated in confidence and investigated, and you will be informed of the outcome.

**\* 1. Would you like to participate in this study and be directed to the electronic Survey?**

Yes

No

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## 2. SECTION 1. GENERAL INFORMATION

### 1. My gender is

Male

Female

### 2. To which of the following age groups do you belong?

Under 25 years

25-45 years

45- 64 years

Over 64 years

### 3. In which country were you born?

### 4. What language do you speak at home?

### 5. What is the highest level of formal education you have completed?

Primary

School Certificate

High School Certificate

College Diploma or Certificate

University Diploma or Degree

Postgraduate Degree

Other

For Other please specify:

### 6. What is your current occupation?

### 7. What is your average annual (pretax) household income?

Less than \$40,000

\$40,000 to \$90,000

\$90,001 to \$140,000

\$140,001 to \$190,000

More than \$190,000

Prefer not to say

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## 8. Currently, in which Suburb and State are you living?

Suburb

State

## \* 9. Do you suffer, or have you suffered from any discomfort or pain in your spine or extremities?

Yes

No

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## \*9. To those that answered Yes before

**9.1 Do you suffer or have you suffered from discomfort or pain in any of the following areas? (you may select more than one):**

- Low Back
- Neck
- Middle Back
- Ribs
- Headache
- Shoulder
- Hips
- Elbow
- Knees
- Wrist
- Ankles
- Fingers
- Toes
- Other

If Other, please specify:

**9.2 At this time who would be your first contact with respect to therapy?**

- Acupuncture
- Chiropractic
- Massage Therapist
- Medical Practitioner
- Osteopathy
- Physiotherapy
- None
- Other

If Other, please specify:

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**9.3 In the past, from which of the following have you sought relief for your symptoms? (you may select more than one):**

- Acupuncture
- Chiropractic
- Massage Therapy
- Medical Practice
- Osteopathy
- Physiotherapy
- None
- Other

If Other, please specify:

**9.4 What form of therapy helps you the most with respect to easing your symptoms?**

- Acupuncture
- Chiropractic
- Massage Therapy
- Medical Practice
- Osteopathy
- Physiotherapy
- None
- Other

If Other, please specify:

**9.5 Previously, have you sought chiropractic care?**

- Yes
- No

If you haven't sought chiropractic care, why not?

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**9.6 If you have seen a chiropractor before, would you see one again?**

Yes

No

Not applicable

**9.7 If you have not seen a chiropractor before, would you consider seeing one in future?**

Yes

No

Not applicable

**9.8 If you have seen a chiropractor before, how satisfied were you with the care you received?**

Very satisfied

Satisfied

Don't Know

Not satisfied

Not applicable

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## 10. How much do you agree with the following statements?

### 10.1 How much do you agree with the following statements?

	Strongly agree	Agree	Don't know	Disagree	Strongly disagree	N/A
-WITH RESPECT TO my health care problems, I am only really interested in alleviating the symptoms.	jñ	jñ	jñ	jñ	jñ	jñ
-I BELIEVE treatment should be aimed at improving my general health and well-being more so than focusing on symptoms.	jñ	jñ	jñ	jñ	jñ	jñ
-MY PERSONAL philosophy influences me in deciding who I see for my health care.	jñ	jñ	jñ	jñ	jñ	jñ
-FAMILY TRADITION has influenced me in deciding who I see for my health care.	jñ	jñ	jñ	jñ	jñ	jñ

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## 5. Thank you!

Our Research Team thanks you for your time, and for considering to participate in this study.

If you would like to receive a copy of the results of this study, please feel free to contact us via email at your convenience to: [sci.workshop@mq.edu.au](mailto:sci.workshop@mq.edu.au)