

Chiropractic patients have fewer strokes

A literature review in the September, 2001 issue of The Journal of Vertebral Subluxation Research reports that patients under chiropractic care experience strokes at a considerably lower rate than people who are not under chiropractic care.

The report says that people who are not under chiropractic care suffer strokes at a rate more than twice that of people who are under chiropractic care. Some of the studies reviewed put that number much higher; people not under chiropractic care may be as much as 27,500 times more likely to have a stroke than chiropractic patients.

This research is significant since many authors in medical research have attempted to link chiropractic care with the occurrence of strokes. Some unethical authors have gone so far as to report injuries caused by "chiropractic adjustments" that were performed by nonprofessionals such as kung fu instructors, barbers, unlicensed masseurs and even spouses.

Comparatively, chiropractic proved to be much safer than many common drugs and medical procedures. Aspirin and related drugs (known as NSAIDS) are associated with 80% of all ulcer related deaths. Short and long term users of NSAIDS are three times more likely to die than people who don't use them.

According to the study, more than 50% of all medications that are commonly prescribed have serious and sometimes fatal side effects. In 1994, the fourth leading cause of death in the United States, accounting for 106,000 deaths, was drug reactions to properly prescribed and utilized drugs.

Appendectomies have a death rate of 1 in 74. Spinal fusion surgery has a death rate of 1 in 50. The simple act of venipuncture (drawing blood) causes 1 death in every 25,000 procedures.

According to the author, "it has been suggested that more Americans are killed in hospitals every six months than died in the entire Vietnam war, that the medical death rate is equivalent to three jumbo jet crashes every day and that the [disease] care system may be a public health threat of epidemic proportions."

**Our purpose is to educate and adjust families toward optimal health
with natural chiropractic care.**