

The Professional Hockey Chiropractic Society (PHCS)



Standards and Protocols

As a member of PHCS, I agree to adhere to the following standards, principles and protocols as set by PHCS. I understand that my status as a member depends on my strict compliance to this agreement.

*Note- Gatekeeper refers to the athletic trainer, team physician, or person who is chief the decision maker for the care of the player.

I agree to the following:

- Not to recommend services, therapies, nutritional supplements without first clearing it with the gatekeeper.
- Do not recommend any nutritional supplements unless they have the **NSF Certified for Sport**® seal of approval. It is always best to check with the gatekeeper before recommending any nutritional products, even if they are NSF certified.
- On new referrals; ask the gatekeeper about any other pertinent clinical findings or considerations that are relevant to the player's condition.
- Ask the gatekeeper if they would like a written report of your findings and treatment. If so, send them an Initial Medical Report form.
- Utilize, safe appropriate equipment and techniques.
- Discuss with the gatekeeper in advance any "alternative" techniques that you may suggest. Those may include, but are not limited to acupuncture, soft tissue therapy, nutritional therapies, magnetic therapy, laser, etc.
- Treat the gatekeeper as your peer and colleague regardless of their degree, or title. Remember that they are inviting us to "play ball" on their team. Be appreciative and courteous. We are not the gatekeeper in the training room like we are in our offices.
- To review, study, and stay abreast of the latest development in the care of athletes.
- To maintain a current chiropractic license and malpractice coverage. Provide a copy of that to the gatekeeper.

I understand that the collective membership of an organization such as PHCS is only as strong as its weakest part, and that I will do my utmost as a member of the chiropractic profession, to act with professionalism, excellence, and provide unselfish service to the teams, medical personnel, and players.

I also understand that PHCS is not liable for the actions of myself or any of its members, and hold PHCS, its Directors, Administrators or other members harmless with regard to any liabilities or actions.

The PHCS reserves the right at any time to revoke membership due to the actions of its members.