

# WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §30-16-20

## **§30-16-20. Use of physiotherapeutic devices; electrodiagnostic devices; specialty practice.**

(a) No chiropractor may use any physiotherapeutic devices or electrodiagnostic devices in practice until he or she has certified to the board that he or she has completed at least the minimum classroom hours required for certification in the use of these procedures in classes sponsored by or conducted by a chiropractic college approved by the council of chiropractic education or its successor.

(b) Electrodiagnostic devices include, but are not limited to, the following: Videofluoroscopy and diagnostic ultrasound, including needle and surface electromyography, nerve conduction velocity studies, somatosensory testing and neuromuscular junction testing. The board may designate other devices as electrodiagnostic devices covered by this section by rule.

(c) As contained in this section, the term "specialty" includes, but is not limited to, orthopedics, neurology, chiropractic sports physician, radiology, pediatrics, nutrition, rehabilitation, acupuncture, chiropractic internist, behavioral health, diagnostic imaging and physiotherapeutics. No chiropractor is permitted to practice in a specialty in the chiropractic field or hold himself or herself out as being a specialist in the chiropractic field until the licensee has successfully completed a certified program in that specialty at a chiropractic college approved by the council on chiropractic education or its successor and approved by the board. The program shall consist of a minimum number of hours to be determined by the board. Successful completion of the final certification exam is required.