

# **BASEBALL AND CHIROPRACTIC**

It's baseball time. And what better way to improve a team's performance than chiropractic care!

Minnesota Twins pitcher Kyle Gibson has seen the chiropractic light. Gibson described the problem by saying, "There were a couple starts where I didn't sit down in between innings because if I sat down, my hips just got tight."

The Twins relief pitcher, Trevor May, also suffered back problems. At first, he saw the chiropractor occasionally, with limited results, but after getting more regular adjustments, his condition greatly improved. "My hips were really, really out of line. Seeing a chiropractor consistently has helped me make sure I'm getting readjusted and staying in line as much as possible."

The Florida M a r l i n s pitchers Adam Conley, Jarred Cosart and Wei-Yin Chen also receive chiropractic caretoimprove their game.



Chen, who signed an \$80-million-dollar contract with the Marlins commented how chiropractic helps him by saying that he "...noticed a huge difference in recovery time between pitching days." Chiropractic care brings balance, strength and coordination by correcting subluxations and removing or reducing interference. With greater balance and nerve communication athletes under chiropractic care can perform at their highest level. (1)



# DID YOU KNOW?

• Dr. Seuss's first book was rejected 27 times. He was ready to give up but bumped into a friend on the street who'd just begun working in publishing. Seuss said that if he'd been walking on the other side of the street, he probably would never have been a children's author.

• Studies show that people decide if you're trustworthy, adventurous, successful, smart, extroverted or likeable within 3 seconds of meeting you.

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# CHIROPRACTIC Q AND A

#### Q: Why stay subluxation-free?

A: The chiropractic profession that was founded by Dr. DD Palmer in 1895 is based on the fact that internal structural distortions called subluxations can cause serious health problems.

Subluxations stress your nervous system and interfere with communication among your organs, glands, muscles and other body parts – including your brain and your immune system.



Subluxations can be caused by any trauma: difficult birth, falls, accidents, emotional upset, chemical toxicity, overwork or a combination of factors (i.e. physical, chemical or emotional stress while you are tired, overworked, malnourished, etc.).

People sometimes ask how chiropractic can improve their health. The answers depend on whom you ask. For example, a woman now free of monthly pain may say, "Chiropractic is for menstrual problems." A pregnant woman may say, "Chiropractic is for a comfortable pregnancy." A mother whose child was helped may say, "Chiropractic is for ear infections (or fevers or asthma or colic)." A teacher may say, "Chiropractic is for dyslexia, vision and learning disorders." Another person may say "Chiropractic is for headaches," while still others may declare chiropractic is for back aches, hearing problems, disc problems, arthritis, high or low blood pressure or a host of other problems.

Others use chiropractic as a way to maximize sports performance, improve overall health, and enhance balance, strength and fitness.

In addition to all of the above, chiropractic can help everyone live a drug-free, healthy lifestyle.

Subluxations are epidemic in our society; most people have subluxations and don't know it. For that reason, everyone needs periodic chiropractic checkups.

## WARNING - STEP AWAY FROM THAT

### **COMPUTER!**

Yes, it's the posture police. Well, don't worry, we won't arrest you; this is something to do for yourself.



If you've been reading this at your computer (or even a hand-held device), step away from that computer keyboard or device and straighten up.

Give yourself a rejuvenating office stretch. Here's how you do it: stand facing the corner of a room, raise your hands to shoulder height and place your elbows, forearms and hands against each wall. Now lean inward and hold the stretch to flex your chest and back muscles. Hold for 15 seconds. Now don't you feel better?

## MANY LEVELS OF HEALING

Chiropractic care can help your body function in many ways. Chiropractic can help promote detoxification, relaxation, emotional healing and a deeper connection to oneself and others.

Chiropractic care helps people become more physically balanced. This often increases their energy and permits them to relax – both physically and emotionally.

The mental/emotional benefits of chiropractic have been noticed since chiropractic's inception. Correcting subluxations was noticed to improve mental function and relieve depression.

One of the most powerful phenomenon of healing is retracing, – where old pains, diseases or trauma come "to the surface" to be released. Retracing is one of the signs of complete healing and even though it may be (temporarily) uncomfortable, it leaves in its wake a stronger, healthier, happier person.

Start (or jump start) your healing journey with chiropractic to begin a healthier all-around lifestyle. Let your chiropractor be your healthy lifestyle coach.

### Dr. Van Dam will be out of the office April 5-6 for continuing education

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### **Research and Chiropractic**

THERE SEEMS TO BE NO END TO THE CONDITIONS THAT RESPOND TO CHIROPRACTIC CARE – PHYSICAL AS WELL AS PSYCHOLOGICAL CONDITIONS.

THAT IS BECAUSE CHIROPRACTIC DOES NOT "TREAT" A PARTICULAR CONDITION. CHIROPRACTIC CARE "TREATS" OR MORE ACCURATELY



"CORRECTS" A SERIOUS INTERFERENCE TO BRAIN, NERVOUS SYSTEM AND ENERGY FUNCTION KNOWN AS THE SUBLUXATION.

No matter what condition you or a loved one may have, you will always function better when free from subluxations. Chiropractors are uniquely trained to locate and correct subluxations. Enjoy this month's cases and see more next month.

High blood pressure, pain and loss of smell after auto accidents. A 58-year-old woman developed high blood pressure as well as right shoulder, right shoulder blade and mid-back pain after a car accident a month before her visit. The case history revealed that she also had lost her sense of smell (anosmia) nine years earlier, after a previous auto accident.

She was under chiropractic care for six months during which time she had 84 visits. Her sense of smell returned after five months of chiropractic care. In addition, she reported a significant decrease in pain from her original chief complaint of right shoulder, right scapular and mid-back pain since her previous auto accident. (2)

**Poor posture in an 85-year-old man.** An 85-yearold male patient presented to a chiropractic office with a chief complaint of difficulty walking and poor posture. He had difficulty in standing up from a chair with no arms, and was also unsteady on his feet. The patient was receiving medical care from various physicians for pre-existing health problems.

Various chiropractic techniques were used to analyze and correct subluxations found in the cervical, thoracic and lumbar regions.

Over the course of chiropractic care the patient was able to get up from a chair with ease and had noticeable improvements in posture, gait, balance and coordination. He was able to decrease his prescription medication usage. (3) **Epilepsy.** A 22-year-old female presented with primary complaints of daily headaches and seizures occurring nearly every three days, and lasting for periods varying from several minutes up to an hour. She was diagnosed with epilepsy three years prior. Previous to chiropractic care, she had been treated with Vimpat<sup>™</sup> for seizure activity and Topomax<sup>™</sup> for migraine headaches. The Vimpat<sup>™</sup> didn't help so her prescription was changed to Keppra<sup>™</sup> but her seizures continued without any change.

Orthopedic, heat and x-ray analysis revealed the location and direction of upper cervical (neck) subluxations which were adjusted. Over the course of 14 office visits, the patient was adjusted 13 times.

Upon re-examination, the patient reported that since beginning care she had not experienced any headaches and that seizure activity had ceased entirely. (4)

Van Dam Chiropractic would like to thank our patients for their many referrals of friends and family to our office. As a special thank-you, if you refer someone to Van Dam Chiropractic and they put down your name as the referral Dr. Van Dam will send out a **\$10 GIFT CARD TO STARBUCKS** We know there are a lot of choices of doctors for your healthcare and we thank-you for choosing us.

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