

History & Exam of Trauma Patients with a Concussion – 4 Hours  
Syllabus  
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Objectives

The objective of this course is to teach chiropractors how take a detailed and proper history of a trauma patient with a concussion. They will be given the most respect history forms used universally throughout the world such as the Acute Concussion Evaluation (ACE) from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC in the USA), the Rivermead Concussion Questionnaire (Britain), the Epworth Sleep Questionnaire (Australia), the Folstein Mini-Mental State Evaluation (MMSE) and three follow up questionnaires developed for re-evaluations to quantify the progress (or lack) in their concussion patients. The objective of this course is to teach them the questions to ask during the history and the examination procedures needed to be competent under Section 317 (c).

Hour 1

The history questions of the CDC's Acute Concussion Evaluation are taught, then the history questions from the Rivermead Concussion Questionnaire, then the history questions contained in the Epworth Sleep Questionnaire and finally the examination procedures from the Folstein Mini-Mental State Evaluation. Examples of these questionnaire forms are supplied and doctors are taught how to use them as part of a proper history and examination of trauma patients.

Hour 2

Participants will be taught how to use some more world-respected questionnaires to take the history and do an examination during this hour. The initial history needs to include the questions from the form, Assessment of Reactions to a Stressful Car Accident. Re-evaluations of the trauma patient should be done monthly and include a detailed history of the patient's progress or lack thereof to treatment. History questions from the Head Injury Follow Up Questionnaire, Rivermead Head Injury Service Follow Up Questionnaire and Head Injury Outcome Assessment all need to be asked during follow up histories and examinations as well as during the final history and examination.

Hour 3

The examination of concussion patients must include certain examinations such as pupillary reflex and cognitive examination. Doctors are taught how to do the exam.

Hour 4

Doctors are taught history questions and examination procedures to assess a trauma patient for assess the type, the location and the severity of brain damage the patient is suffering so the doctor fully understands what is wrong with the patient.