Target Group:

Chiropractor

What They Do
Assess, treat, and care for patients by manipulation of spine and musculoskeletal system. May provide spinal adjustment or address sacral or pelvic misalignment.

Is This For You?
Work Interests are described in the following categories (compatible with Holland’s Model). People who tend to succeed in this career are:

- **Social** – involve working with, communicating with, and teaching people.
- **Investigative** – involve working with ideas, and require an extensive amount of thinking.
- **Realistic** – involve work activities that include practical, hands-on problems and solutions.

Work Values are aspects of work that are satisfying to you. The following work values are generally associated with this career:

- **Relationships** – allow employees to provide service to others and work with co-workers in a friendly non-competitive environment.
- **Independence** – allow employees to work on their own and make decisions.
- **Achievement** – results oriented and allow employees to use their strongest abilities, giving them a feeling of accomplishment.

Abilities reflect a person’s aptitude to acquire skills and knowledge. The following abilities are important for success in the career:

- Deductive Reasoning
- Inductive Reasoning
- Oral Comprehension
- Problem Sensitivity
- Oral Expression
Skills You Need

- Active Listening
- Critical Thinking
- Reading Comprehension
- Speaking
- Social Perceptiveness

Requirements for the National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC)

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Education & Training

Chiropractors need a doctoral or professional degree in chiropractic studies. Chiropractors must be licensed by the South Dakota Board of Chiropractic Examiners.

SD Employment & Wages

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Where They Work

The South Dakota Industries which employ the largest number of chiropractors are:

- Offices of Health Practitioners
- Offices of Physicians

Additional References

- Labor Market Information Center
  - www.dlr.gov/mic
- Career OneStop
  - www.careeronestop.org
- O*Net Online
  - www.onetcenter.org
- mySkills myFuture
  - www.myskillsmyfuture.org

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