



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 – Listening to others, not interrupting, and asking good questions.
- Reading Comprehension – Reading work-related information.
- Speaking – Talking to others.
- Critical Thinking – Thinking about the pros and cons of different ways to solve a problem.

Education & Training

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

Where They Work

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

- Offices of Health Practitioners
- Offices of Physicians

SD Employment & Wages

2016 Workers	2026 Workers	Numeric Change	Percent Change	Average Demand for Workers	Average Annual Wage
230	250	20	6%	10	\$74,120

Activities: what you might do in a day

- Examine patients to assess general physical conditions.
- Gather medical information from patient histories.
- Treat patients using physical therapy techniques.
- Diagnose medical conditions.
- Collect medical information from patients, family members, or other medical professionals.
- Record patient medical histories.
- Advise patients on effects of health conditions or treatment.
- Analyze test data or images to inform diagnosis or treatment.

Additional References

Career OneStop

www.careeronestop.org

O*Net Online

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