

# **Ethics, NC Jurisprudence and Sexual Boundaries**

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## **Course Description**

Dr. James Demetrious will present a three (3) hour course related to Ethics, North Carolina Jurisprudence and Sexual Boundaries for the Chiropractic Physician. In depth and comprehensive discussion and exercises will be presented including:

### **Ethics (1 hour lecture):**

- Defining Professional Ethics and Morality
- Review of NC General Statutes:
  - 90-154.2 Unethical conduct.
- Interactive communication.
- Informed consent.

### **North Carolina Jurisprudence (1 hour lecture):**

- Review of NC General Statutes.
  - 90-154. Grounds for professional discipline.
  - 90-154.1 Collection of certain fees prohibited.
  - 90-154.3 Acceptable care in the practice of chiropractic.

### **Sexual Boundaries (1hour lecture):**

- Review of NC General Statutes.
  - 90-154. Grounds for professional discipline.
    - Conviction of a felony or of a crime involving moral turpitude.
    - Unethical conduct as defined in G.S. 90-154.2.
    - Lewd or immoral conduct toward a patient.
- Complex interactions between doctor and patient inherent to chiropractic.
- Standardized treatment protocols that may be construed as offensive or inappropriate.
  - Sensitive anatomic regions and scope of chiropractic care.
  - Evaluation and care rendered to the musculoskeletal structures of the chest, groin and gluteal regions.
- Disrobing and the use of gowns are examination and treatment specific.
- Managing appropriate but misconstrued contact/Accidental inadvertent contact.