

STATE OF IOWA
BEFORE THE IOWA BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC

IN THE MATTER OF:

Stuart J. Hoven
License No. 022 06439

RESPONDENT

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**BOARD ORDER TO AMEND
REINSTATEMENT ORDER**

On July 11, 2007, Respondent appeared before the Board to request termination of his probation. For the reasons set forth below, Respondent's request to terminate his probation is **DENIED**. However, Respondent's request to amend the Reinstatement Order (Order) by eliminating a female chaperone in the examination room at all times the Respondent sees female patients is **GRANTED**. Respondent's request to amend the Order by eliminating the requirement that he complete 10 hours of continuing education in professional boundaries for each of the next three years is **GRANTED**.

Respondent was issued a license to practice chiropractic in Iowa on August 24, 2001. Respondent's license was suspended for unethical conduct following a contested case hearing on April 27, 2005. On July 14, 2005, Respondent's license was reinstated and his chiropractic license was placed on probation for five (5) years.

On April 12, 2006, the Board granted Respondent's request to release him from the requirement of using patient satisfaction surveys.

The Board is pleased Respondent has complied with all terms of the Order up to the present time. For this reason, the Board grants his request to eliminate a female chaperone in the examination room when he sees female patients and to terminate the requirement that he complete a minimum of 10 hours a year of Board-approved continuing education on boundaries and ethics. However, the Board is concerned that, while the Respondent has clearly become well-informed regarding professional boundary issues, it does not appear he has accepted full

personal responsibility for the misconduct he engaged in, nor does it appear he is remorseful regarding the harm suffered by his patients in this case.

For this reason the Board does not feel the Respondent's probation should be terminated at this time. The Board will consider another request for termination of probation in one year.

Now on July 11, 2007, the Board denies the Respondent's request to terminate his probation. The Board grants the Respondent's request to release him from having a female chaperone present during treatment of female patients and grants the request to release him from completing the continuing education requirement in the Order.

This board order to amend reinstatement order is approved by the board on July 11, 2007.