

**§ 90-154. Grounds for professional discipline.**

(a) The North Carolina State Board of Chiropractic Examiners may impose any of the following sanctions, singly or in combination, when it finds that a practitioner or applicant is guilty of any offense described in subsection (b):

- (1) Permanently revoke a license to practice chiropractic.
- (2) Suspend a license to practice chiropractic.
- (3) Refuse to grant a license.
- (4) Censure a practitioner.
- (5) Issue a letter of reprimand.
- (6) Place a practitioner on probationary status and require him to report regularly to the Board upon the matters which are the basis of probation.
- (7) A civil penalty as allowed by this section.

(b) Any one of the following is grounds for disciplinary action by the Board under subsection (a):

- (1) Repealed by Session Laws 2021-120, s. 1(a), effective October 1, 2021.
- (2) Conviction of a felony or of a crime involving moral turpitude.
- (3) Physical, mental, emotional infirmity, including addiction to or severe dependency upon alcohol or any other drug that impairs the ability to practice safely.
- (4) Unethical conduct as defined in G.S. 90-154.2.
- (5) Negligence, incompetence, or malpractice in the practice of chiropractic.
- (6) Repealed by Session Laws 1995, c. 188, s. 1.
- (7) Not rendering acceptable care in the practice of the profession as defined in G.S. 90-154.3.
- (8) Lewd or immoral conduct toward a patient.
- (9) Committing or attempting to commit fraud, deception, or misrepresentation.
- (10) through (17) Repealed by Session Laws 2021-120, s. 1(a), effective October 1, 2021.
- (18) Violating the provisions of G.S. 90-151 regarding the extent and limitation of license.
- (19) Concealing information from the Board or failing to respond truthfully and completely to an inquiry from the Board concerning any matter affecting licensure.
- (20) Failing to comply with a decision of the Board that is final.
- (21) Committing an act on or after October 1, 2007, which demonstrates a lack of good moral character which would have been a basis for denying a license under G.S. 90-143(b)(1), had it been committed before application for a license.
- (22) Engaging in any act or practice violative of any of the provisions of this Article or of any of the rules and regulations adopted by the Board or aiding, abetting, or assisting any other person in the violation of any of the provisions of this Article.

(c) Repealed by Session Laws 2021-120, s. 1(a), effective October 1, 2021. (1917, c. 73, s. 14; C.S., s. 6725; 1949, c. 785, s. 3; 1963, c. 646, s. 3; 1981, c. 766, s. 7; 1983 (Reg. Sess., 1984), c. 1067, s. 1; 1985, c. 367, ss. 1, 2; c. 760, ss. 2, 3; 1995, c. 188, s. 1; 1999-430, s. 1; 2007-525, s. 4; 2016-117, s. 1(b); 2021-120, s. 1(a).)