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#### **Qualifications**

- Bachelor of Science (BSc), Biology/Chemistry, magna cum laude, SUNY Albany, 1980, USA
- Doctor of Chiropractic (DC), magna cum laude, valedictorian, WSCC, 1988, OR. USA
- Masters in Advanced Practice Pediatric Musculoskeletal Health (MSc), AECC/ BU, 2008 England

#### Awards

• Chiropractor of the Year 2015: Awarded for efforts to increase knowledge of musculoskeletal problems in infants and children through her work in implementing guidelines and education in the treatment of children.

Integration with wider health care/expert panels

- First non-pediatrician to be invited to participate in the Swedish Health Technology assessment (HTA) team to evaluate the evidence for chiropractic treatment of infant colic and potential adverse effects 2016.
- Invited participant in Delphi panel, international process of developing guidelines for the chiropractic treatment of the pediatric patient, successfully completed in 2009 and 2016.
  - Hawk C. 2009. Expert panel member for: Best practices recommendations for chiropractic care for infants, children, and adolescents: results of a consensus process. J Manipulative Physiol Ther;32(8):639-47.
  - Hawk C, Schneider MJ, Vallone S, Hewitt EG. Best Practices for Chiropractic Care of Children: A Consensus Update. J Manipulative Physiol Ther. 2016 Mar-Apr;39(3):158-68. doi: 10.1016/j.jmpt.2016.02.015. Epub 2016 Mar 31. PMID: 27040034.
- Project leader with international pediatric experts producing for the profession basic pediatric
  exam forms for the infant, child and adolescent with the goal of raising competence among
  practitioners 2018-2023
- Invited expert to participate in the Focus Group following the e-Delphi regarding a standardized definition and severity classification for adverse events following spinal and peripheral joint manipulation and mobilization
  - Funabashi M, Pohlman KA, Gorrell LM, Salsbury SA, et al. 2021. Expert panel member for: Expert consensus on a standardised definition and severity classification for adverse events associated with spinal and peripheral joint manipulation and mobilisation: protocol for an international e-Delphi study. BMJ Open;11(11).

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- Practitioner in private family practice since 1990
- Editor for review board for the journals: JMPT, JCCP and publisher Livingstone/Churchill
- Invited speaker to many associations and colleges 2006- 2022
- Guest lecturer for the Masters in Chiropractic Pediatrics through Bournemouth University
- Faculty Royal College of Chiropractic (FRCC, England)
- Faculty and chairperson of special interest group within pediatrics for European Academy of Chiropractic (EAC, ECU)
- Developed the pediatric education program for Licensed Swedish Chiropractors National Organization (LKR) and the European Academy of Chiropractic (EAC) 2014-2016
- Educator for an advanced postgraduate pediatric education for the American Chiropractic Association (ACA)
- Lead Educator developing a comprehensive pediatric postgraduate program at the Northeast college of Health Sciences

# Consultant to Industry

- Consultant to IKEA regarding safe mattress design for infants 2006
- Consultant with the World Health Organization recommending non-pharmacological alternatives for infants and children

Research articles published: 14 papers accepted for proceedings and publication within pediatric musculoskeletal health and pregnancy

## Proposals:

- Proposed to the Swedish national organization to implement guidelines for a minimum education for the treatment of the infant patient which have since been formulated.
- Proposal of guidelines to the ECU for discussion in 2016.

# Public Health

- Prenatal classes for pregnant families focusing on posture, appropriate exercises, intervention for dystocia and strategies to succeed in breastfeeding
- Education in the children's health center to increase understanding of the biomechanical problems associated with suboptimal breastfeeding
- Education to parents for supine sleep for infants secondary to Public Health Initiative: Backto-sleep and education to clinicians on how to treat infants so that they can comfortably sleep supine.
- Education to parents to improve gross motor skills in toddlers and preschoolers in an effort to reduce risks for obesity.
- Improving education to recognize Borrelia masquerading as a musculoskeletal issue

## **Key Publications**

Weber S. 2008. Conference and Research Symposium in Chiropractic Paediatrics: Pharmaceutical treatment for migraine prevention in children: Is there evidence to support its safety and efficacy? ICA Council on Chiropractic Paediatrics, Australia

Weber S. 2009. Recurrent neck pain and headaches in preadolescents associated with mechanical dysfunction of the cervical spine. J Manipulative Physiol Ther;32:625-634.

Weber S. 2009. Foundation of Chiropractic Education and Research: Research Symposium: Craniocervical dysfunction in the infant and apnea. Chicago

Miller J, & Weber S. 2013. Is Infant Colic an Allergic Response to Cow's Milk? What is the evidence? JCCP;14(1)1097-1102.

Weber S. 2020. A risk too great? Stroke implications with manual therapy for the pregnant patient: A scoping review. Journal of Clinical Chiropractic Pediatrics; 19(1)1676-81.

Weber S. 2021. Headaches in children: Part 1. The changing phenotypes of migraine headache in infants, children and adolescents. Journal of Clinical Chiropractic Pediatrics;20(1)1747-56.

Weber S. 2021. Headaches in children: Part 2 The changing phenotypes of headaches in children. Journal of Clinical Chiropractic Pediatrics;20(1)1802-13.

Weber S. & Miller A. 2021. Chiropractic history and examination forms for the infant, pre-school, and school-aged child. Journal of Clinical Chiropractic Pediatrics;20(2)1826-41.

Weber 2022. Pediatric headache questionnaire, exam and history forms for the chiropractor. Journal of Clinical Chiropractic Pediatrics;21(1)1871-83.

Weber S. 2023. International peer-reviewed chiropractic pediatric history and examination forms for the infant, child, and adolescent. Journal of Clinical Chiropractic Pediatrics;22(1) 1958-83.