

Hearing Improves Under Chiropractic Care After One Adjustment

The January 19, 2006 issue of Chiropractic & Osteopathy reports that hearing impaired patients experienced improvements in their hearing after receiving chiropractic adjustments.

In the study, 15 hearing impaired patients had their hearing checked before and after getting the first chiropractic adjustment. Four different frequencies (1000, 2000, 4000 and 500 Hz) at three different volumes (20, 25 and 40 decibels) were checked.

All of the patients in the study were considered hearing impaired. Impairment was defined by using both the Ventry & Weinstein and the Speech-frequency criteria.

Patients missing one or more tones in either ear at 40 decibels were classified as impaired by the Ventry & Weinstein criteria and those missing one or more tones in either ear at 25 decibels were considered impaired by the Speech-frequency criteria.

After the adjustment, by the Ventry & Weinstein criteria, at 40 decibels, 6 of the patients had their hearing restored, 7 improved and 2 had no change. In the Speech-frequency group at 25 decibels, none of the group had their hearing completely restored but 11 of them improved and 4 had no changes.

In 1895, the first chiropractic adjustment restored the hearing of Harvey Lillard, a janitor in the building where the developer of chiropractic, D.D. Palmer, had an office. Since that time, chiropractic has been continually shown to improve all aspects of body function and health.