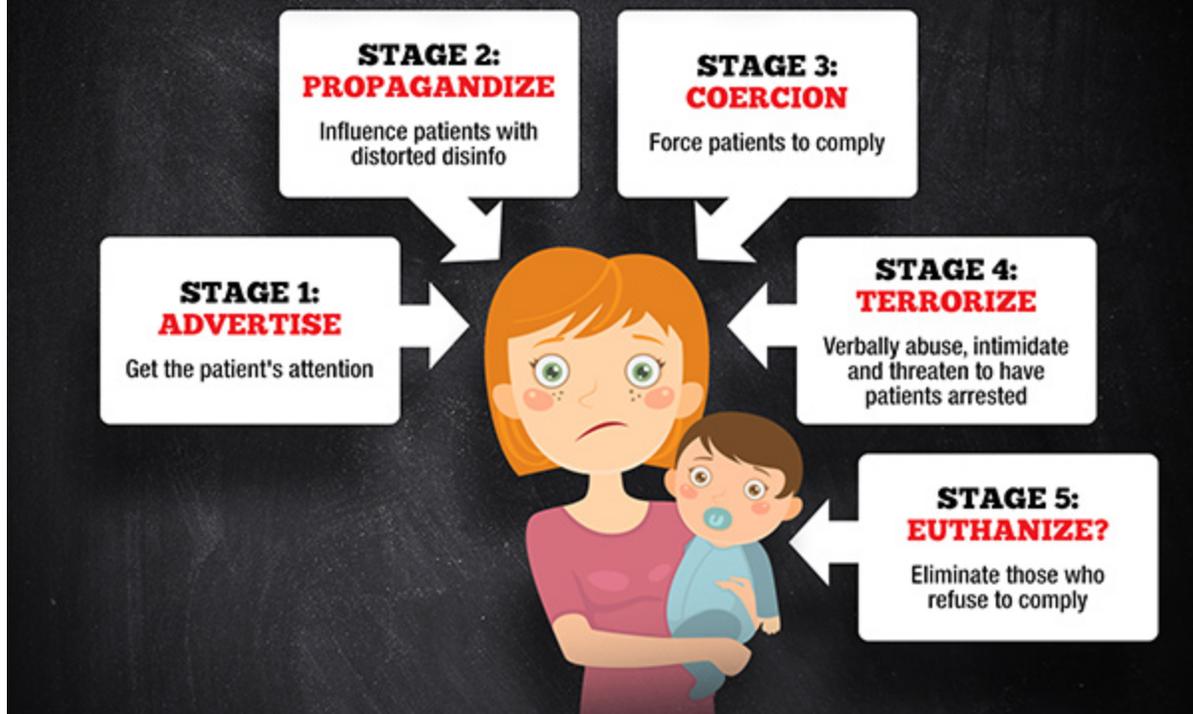


THE STAGES OF MEDICAL FASCISM

Happening in America Right Now



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“Nobody can read Project 2025 without coming away thinking that the US is nosediving towards fascism”

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LIES & CRIMES BY THE SPINE CARTEL



MEDICAL FASCISM

The goal of the AMA's campaign of [medical misinformation](#) was to continue sowing the seeds of public distrust by imprinting an unscientific and dangerous image of chiropractors as "[rabid dogs and killers](#)." None of it was true, but the facts were never told to the public by the government or the mainstream press, both had been captured by medical influencers or by Big Pharma advertising to invalidate their largest nondrug, nonsurgical rival that continually wins in face-to-face comparisons.

The AMA led by Dr. Morris Fishbein in the 1930s had taken a lesson from the leading German Nazi fascist himself, Adolf Hitler, who said in 1924: "Propaganda is a truly terrible weapon in the hands of an expert."¹

¹ Adolf Hitler, *Mein Kampf*, 1924.



Morris Fishbein,
aka, "Medical Mussolini,"
AMA executive director,
1924-49

As far back as 1925, Morris Fishbein, MD, former AMA Executive Director, and longtime medical godfather said it best, "Scientific medicine absorbs from them that which is good, if there is any good, and then they die ["contain and eliminate"]."²

Fishbein ran the AMA in the same fashion of a Mafioso crime boss and he was duly dubbed the *Medical Mussolini* for his tyrannical powers. He even donned the appearance of a mobster sporting an iconic double-breasted white gangster suit. His intolerant quasi-KKK attitude about all non-allopathic CAM professions set the tone for the *Jim Crow, MD*, bias we see in many members in the medical profession today.

Without question, the medical bigotry fomented by Fishbein's medical mob mindset remains steadfast in some quarters and is quite possibly the last bastion of acceptable prejudice in America. Clearly the "n-word" is unacceptable today in our general society, and the "b-word" is certainly an epithet offensive to women, but the "q-word" is still openly used by many biased MDs even though it was found to be a baseless charge back in the 1970s.

Both at the [Wilk v. AMA](#) antitrust trial that began in 1976 and in depositions during the New Zealand Royal Inquiry into Chiropractic in 1978-79, the attorneys asked the medical political elite to prove their trash talk accusations that chiropractic care was "unscientific cult," "absurd quackery," and "dangerous."

In both instances, none of these charges were proven in the final judgment and all were disregarded as biased and unfounded opinions of men who apparently had obviously believed their own propaganda. Indeed, the power of prejudice has been a violent tool used by the AMA to bully its agenda upon the public and CAM professionals.

The NZ Commission was frank in its analysis that the specious medical trash talk is unproven:

"In the first place no evidence was placed before us which suggested that medical science has proved current chiropractic theory to be in error, or the practice ineffective. We have no doubt at all that if such evidence had been available, it would have been produced. It is all very well to assert—as some of the medical witnesses did—that some chiropractic hypotheses are absurd. But if there is no proof that chiropractic hypotheses are unsound, an assertion by a medical expert that the hypotheses are absurd can logically amount to no more than an assertion that the chiropractic hypotheses do not fit into the framework

² M Fishbein, *Medical Follies*, New York, Boni & Liveright, (1925): 43.

of concepts within which that medical expert is for the time being working. Hypotheses which do not fit into accepted frameworks have often in the past been derided as absurd.

"We therefore cannot be confident that the medical profession is always the best judge of concepts which do not for the time being relate to the pattern of established medical thinking."³

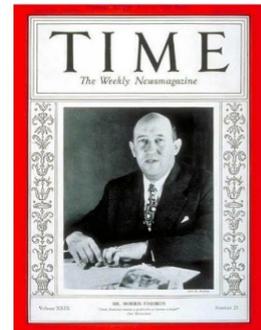
When chiropractic could not be proven to be ineffective, absurd, or dangerous, the AMA resorted to propaganda to spread lies and foment discord. It's as if the *Medical Mussolini* back in the 1930s took a lesson from the leading German Nazis propagandist himself, Adolf Hitler, who said in 1924, "Propaganda is a truly terrible weapon in the hands of an expert."⁴

1924 was the same year Dr. Morris Fishbein took control of the AMA, and he learned his lessons well from role models in Europe in the parade of autocrats like Adolf Hitler and Joseph Stalin. Coincidentally, they were all represented on the covers of *TIME* magazine in 1937, 1938, and 1939 during the period when fascism was growing in Europe and in the US. Hitler was *TIME's* Man of the Year in 1938, and Stalin was twice, for 1939 and 1942. Dr. Fishbein graced the *TIME* cover in 1937.



Morris Fishbein and the AMA

- Editor of JAMA from 1924 – 1949
- Dominated medical policy; discredited and “suppressed” what he could not control



STATE OF DECEPTION

An exhibit at the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, DC, explained the science to the madness of propaganda based on the book, "[State of Deception: The Power of Nazi Propaganda](#)," that elaborated how the spread of propaganda shaped public



³ Inglis, BD, Fraser, B, Penfold, BR, Chiropractic in New Zealand, Report of the Commission on Chiropractic, PD Hasselberg, Government Printer, Wellington, New Zealand. 1979

⁴ S Luckert and S Bachrach, "State of Deception: the Power of Nazi Propaganda," United States Holocaust Memorial Museum handout.

opinion and behavior.⁵

Don't think for a moment the end of WW II also ended the propagation of propaganda elsewhere. Indeed, these were lessons well learned by other budding autocrats who would apply the characteristics of propaganda to their trade such as the rise of medical fascism in the US.

Let me give a brief timeline how this crisis occurred in spine care, and show the solution is literally "in the hands of America's chiropractors," that is, if they can be unshackled by the medical fascists' propaganda and end the capture of our nation's legislators, media, and legal systems.

Dr. Morris Fishbein, aka, the *Medical Mussolini*, took control of the AMA in 1924 and immediately began implementing the principles of deception to defame the reputations of chiropractic professionals:

- ***Uses truths, half-truths, or lies such as "chiropractic is an unscientific cult":***

However, Paul Shekelle, MD, director of RAND Corporation's Southern California Evidence-Based Practice Center, refuted this unsubstantiated claim against chiropractic care.⁶ In his paper, *Spinal Manipulation for Low-Back Pain*, Dr. Shekelle refuted the spurious medical accusations degrading chiropractic care:

"To say that there is no scientific proof of spinal manipulation, I would say that there's considerably more randomized controlled trials which show benefit for this than there is for many other things which physicians and neurosurgeons do all the time."⁷

- ***Omits information selectively:***

To this day, the AMA refuses to acknowledge chiropractic as a "treatment of choice" or to follow many [evidence-based guidelines](#), "[best practices](#)" [guidelines](#), and [international studies](#) such as *The Lancet* and [WHO](#) that recommend massage, acupuncture, [spinal manipulation](#), Tai Chi, and yoga before drugs and surgery, excluding [Red Flag](#) cases (cancers, fractures, infections).

- ***Simplifies complex issues or ideas:***

⁵ S Luckert and S Bachrach, United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, "State of Deception: the Power of Nazi Propaganda." WW Norton & Company, Inc. New York, NY. (January 2009)

⁶ "Changing Views of Chiropractic," RAND Highlights, http://www.rand.org/pubs/research_briefs/RB4539/index1.html

⁷ Shekelle, P. et al. RAND Corp Report, "The appropriateness of spinal manipulation for low-back pain," Santa Monica, Calif. 1992.

In 1978-79 the [New Zealand Inquiry into Chiropractic](#) had mentioned the attitude of the medical society about chiropractic “went beyond skepticism” and was “largely misconceived”:

“But, as we have said, the principal submission of the [Medical Association](#) certainly went beyond skepticism. We are satisfied that organized medicine in this country has never given chiropractic a fair trial... Its opposition to chiropractic is, in our finding, largely misconceived. In our opinion the medical “political” attitude to chiropractors, which some doctors and others have tended to accept uncritically, is based on misinformation and ignorance. ⁸

“Indeed, it is probably true to say that chiropractic is a form of treatment still in search of an explanation for its effectiveness. The medical profession, with its massive research resources, has made no serious attempt to seek such an explanation and certainly has not found one. Nor has organized medicine been able to prove that chiropractic does not work.”^{9,10}

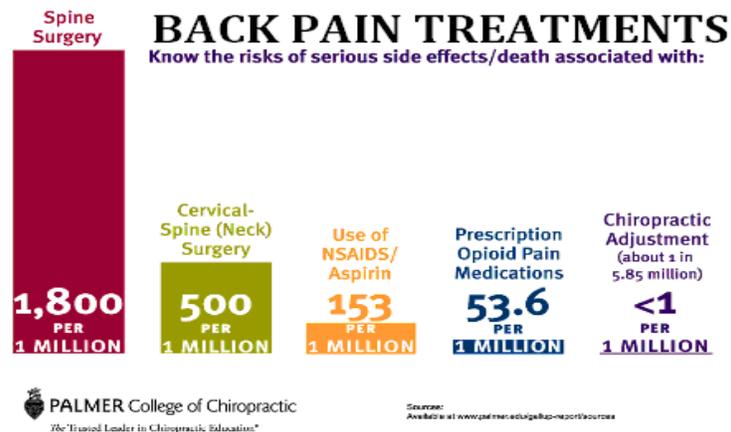
- ***Plays on emotions: “chiropractors are dangerous”:***

The following chart from the [Gallup-Palmer survey](#) indicates the comparison of deaths and serious side effects among patients treated by various medical methods versus chiropractic treatments for neck and low back pain:

⁸ BD Inglis, B Fraser, BR Penfold, Commissioners, *Chiropractic in New Zealand Report 1979*, PD Hasselberg, Government Printer, Wellington, New Zealand, (1979):101-2

⁹ BD Inglis. pp. 43-44

¹⁰ Since medical schools do not teach the basics of chiropractic neurophysiology nor spinal mechanics, MDs are ignorant of these complex concepts. I have compiled a variety of scientific studies in order to help these ignorant souls in my paper [MODERN REVELATIONS](#).



- Risk of death from spine surgery: 1,800 per 1 million¹¹
- Risk of serious side effects/death from cervical spine (neck) surgery: 500 in 1 million¹²
- Risk of death from combined use of NSAIDS/aspirin: 153 per 1 million¹³
- Risk of death from prescription opioid pain medications: 53.6 per 1 million¹⁴
- Association between neck manipulation and stroke: about 1 in 5.85 million adjustments (or <1 in 1 million)¹⁵
- ***Advertises a goal "to protect public safety":***

¹¹ Smith, JS et al. Rates and causes of mortality associated with spine surgery based on 108,419 procedures: a review of the Scoliosis Research Society Morbidity and Mortality Database. Spine 2012, Nov 1;37(23):1975-82

¹² Marquez-Lara A, Nandyala SV, Hassanzadeh H, Noureldin M, Sankaranarayanan S, Singh K: Sentinel Events in Cervical Spine Surgery. Spine 2014 Jan 29 [Epub ahead of print], <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/24480955>

¹³ Lanas A et al. A nationwide study of mortality associated with hospital admission due to severe gastrointestinal events and those associated with nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drug use. Am J Gastroenterology 2005, Aug;100(8):1685-93.

¹⁴ Email to American Chiropractic Association from Division of Unintentional Injury Prevention, National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, April 29, 2014.

¹⁵ Haldeman S, Carey P, Townsend M, Papadopoulos C: Arterial dissections following cervical manipulation: the chiropractic experience. CMAJ 2001;165:905.

The AMA's "Patient Defense" campaign used in court by the defense argument but rejected by the judge as a charade.

Judge Susan Getzendanner at the antitrust lawsuit, [Wilk v. American Medical Assn](#), {671 F. Supp. 1465, N.D. Ill. 1987}, noted the evidence showed chiropractic care was more [scientific](#) and [chiropractors were better trained than medical doctors](#):

"...chiropractic was more effective than the medical profession in treating certain kinds of...back injuries" and "chiropractors were better trained to deal with musculoskeletal problems than most medical physicians." 671 F. Supp. at 1481-83

- ***Attacks opponents' reputations with unfounded claims and 'name-calling':***

Judge Susan Getzendanner:

"Labeling all chiropractors "unscientific cultists" and depriving chiropractors of association with medical physicians [or access to public hospitals], injury to reputation was assured by the [AMA's name-calling practice](#).¹⁶

"The activities of the AMA undoubtedly have injured the reputation of chiropractors generally...In my judgment, this injury continues to the present time and likely continues to adversely affect the plaintiffs. The AMA has never made any attempt to publicly repair the damage the boycott did to chiropractors' reputations."¹⁷

- ***Targets desired audiences with lies to physicians, students, school counselors, politicians, media, and millions of patients:***¹⁸

Author of "[in the Public Interest](#)," William Trever outlined the ill-begotten propaganda strategy used by the AMA's Committee on Quackery to destroy the reputation of the chiropractic profession:

"Time and time again the AMA's Merchants of Misinformation have subverted the truth for their own fascist ends. Using these tactics to "build up a case" against chiropractic they have taken objective reports, studies, and individual opinions in favor of chiropractic and reversed them into what appears to be anti-chiropractic views coming from many "non-medical" sources. Done enough, this tactic would give

¹⁶ Associated Press, "U.S. Judge Finds Medical Group Conspired Against Chiropractors," New York Times, (August 29, 1987)

¹⁷ Judge's Final Opinion p. 10

¹⁸ This is the subject of my second book, [To Kill a Chiropractor: the Media War against Chiropractors](#)

the appearance that “everybody knows that chiropractic is an unscientific cult.”¹⁹

ENFORCING IOWA PLAN

Just as the German Nazis prohibited its Aryan citizens from socializing with Jews, Doyl Taylor and the AMA took the same policy regarding MDs mixing with DCs.

In 1962, AMA General Counsel Robert B. Throckmorton spelled out in his “Iowa Plan” the deceptive nature of medical antitrust depravity by the Committee on Quackery (CoQ): “Action taken by the medical profession should be firm, persistent, and in good taste *behind the scenes* whenever possible.”²⁰

Taylor spoke of the problem of cooperation between MDs and “these cult practitioners,” and his intent was to end this cooperation by any means, including threatening their own members. Rather than accept what the medical practitioner thought was in the best interest of his patient, the AMA leadership was unfazed when the CoQ suggested threatening its own members:

“It is the position of the medical profession that chiropractic is an *unscientific cult* whose practitioners lack the necessary training and background to diagnose and treat human disease.”²¹

It appears the AMA had taken a page from the Nazi’s “[Final Solution to the Jewish Question](#).” The AMA’s attorney Robert B. Throckmorton clearly spelled out his equivalence to the Final Solution concerning chiropractic, “[What Medicine Should Do about the Chiropractic Menace](#),” labeling chiropractic an “*unscientific cult*” that deserved to be “eliminated.”²²

Taylor and the CoQ knew by demonizing chiropractic as an “[unscientific cult](#),” they could invoke Principle 3 of the Medical Code of Ethics to stop any cooperation between chiropractors and MDs; moreover, to prevent admitting privileges to chiropractors in any hospital. Both individual MDs and hospitals were afraid of losing accreditation if found to violate this Principle 3, so hospitals barred chiropractors on staff or to admit patients.

According to court records from [Wilk v. AMA](#), Throckmorton spelled out his Iowa Plan to contain and eliminate chiropractic:

¹⁹ W Trever, “*in the Public Interest*,” Scriptures Unlimited, Los Angeles, Calif., (1972):1

²⁰ M Fishbein, *Medical Follies*, New York, Boni & Liveright (1925):p. 127.

²¹ Ibid. p. 6750-51.

²² Ibid. PX-172 November 11, 1962.

1. Encourage chiropractic disunity.
2. Undertake a position program of 'containment'...If this program is successfully pursued, it is entirely likely that chiropractic as a profession will 'wither on the vine' and the chiropractic menace will die a natural but somewhat undramatic death. This policy of 'containment' might well be pursued along the following lines:
 - Encourage ethical complaints against doctors of chiropractic.
 - Oppose chiropractic inroads in health insurance.
 - Oppose chiropractic inroads in workmen's compensation.
 - Oppose chiropractic inroads into labor unions.
 - Oppose chiropractic inroads into hospitals.
 - Contain chiropractic schools.
 - ...Any successful policy of 'containment' of chiropractic must necessarily be directed at the schools. To the extent that these financial problems continue to multiply, and to the extent that the schools are unsuccessful in their recruiting programs, the chiropractic menace of the future will be reduced and possibly eliminated.
 - *Action taken by the medical profession should be persistent and behind the scenes whenever possible.*
 - Never give professional recognition to doctors of chiropractic.
 - A successful program of containment will result in the decline of chiropractic.

MEDICAL REBELLION

To thwart the expanding role of chiropractors in scientific research studies and successful legislation on Capitol Hill, the AMA and its Spine Cartel staged two acts of rebellion to overturn the law that had a strong resemblance to the Nazi riot called the "[Night of Broken Glass](#)":

On November 9–10, 1938, Nazi German leaders unleashed a nationwide anti-Jewish riot. This event came to be known as the 'Night of Broken Glass.' The violence was supposed to look like an unplanned outburst of popular anger against Jews. In reality, Kristallnacht was state-sponsored vandalism and arson. Nazi leaders actively coordinated it with Adolf Hitler's support. On the night of November 9, Nazi leaders ordered members of the Nazi Party's paramilitaries (the SS, the SA, and the Hitler Youth) to attack Jewish communities.

In a similar act of rebellion against a democratic process by the US Public Health Service's Agency for Health Care Policy & Research in 1994 to establish "best practices" in American medicine, there were two instances when the AMA and Spine Cartel members overthrew the governmental guidelines because it would decrease their market share in the lucrative backpain industry:

1) Medical Insurrection

The act of rebellion by the AMA occurred in 1994 when it organized a [medical insurrection](#) on Capitol Hill to thwart the US Public Health Service's [AHCPR Guideline on Acute Low Back Pain in Adults](#) that endorsed spinal manipulation over drugs or surgery. The AHCPR determined spinal manipulation was the preferred initial treatment of choice for most low back problems:

"Spinal manipulation. This treatment (using the hands to apply force to the back to 'adjust' the spine) can be helpful for some people in the first month of low back symptoms. It should only be done by a professional with experience in manipulation."

What angered the Spine Cartel the most was when the AHCPR warned the public there was no need to rush into surgery:

"Even having a lot of back pain does not by itself mean you need surgery. Surgery has been found to be helpful in only 1 in 100 cases of low back problems. In some people, surgery can even cause more problems. This is especially true if your only symptom is back pain."

"Moreover, surgery increases the chance of future procedures with higher complication rates...There appears to be no good evidence from controlled trails that spinal fusion alone is effective for treatment of any type of acute low back problems in the absence of spinal fracture or dislocations... Moreover, there is no good evidence that patients who undergo fusion will return to their prior functional level."²³

Despite the positive litigation in the [Wilk v. AMA](#) antitrust trial and positive legislation such as the Medicare/Medicaid victory in Congress, the AMA continued lying about chiropractic care, and they were eager to use celebrities like actor Ronald Reagan to do their bidding, including the most prominent newspaper columnist in America, [Ann Landers](#). She also had an enlightening encounter in an elevator with George McAndrews that changed her attitude about chiropractors.

From the early 1960s until 1980, the AMA's Committee on Quackery stayed behind the scenes and kept the medical demagoguery well entrenched in the public consciousness by using the media and third-party spokespersons, such as actor Ronald Reagan.

As we witnessed later during the "Obamacare" debate, rather than containing the battle to Capitol Hill, the medical cartel and the GOP used the media to misrepresent the issues, mischaracterize their opponents, and

²³ S. Bigos, et al., "Acute Low Back Problems in Adults, Clinical Practice Guideline No. 14," U.S. Public Health Service, U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, AHCPR Pub. No. 95-0642, Rockville, MD: Dec. 1994.

suggest “nightmarish scenarios”²⁴ and “confusing claims and outright distortions to animate debate about changes in the healthcare system”²⁵ in TV ads and radio talk programs to frighten people to vote against such measures.

2) [Deception In Medicare](#):

Using the power of the media to influence legislators and public opinion is not a new political tactic. A perfect example occurred in 1961 when John F. Kennedy became president and began to work for comprehensive health coverage for both elderly and low-income Americans (what eventually would become Medicare and Medicaid) and found himself at loggerheads with the AMA and Hollywood.



It is a little-known fact that the AMA strongly opposed Medicare from the beginning. Actually, the AMA and Republican Party, along with their celebrity spokesman, Ronald Reagan, were able to kill President John F. Kennedy’s original legislation in a covert campaign that came to be known as [Operation Coffee Cup](#). He narrated a vinyl record, “Ronald Reagan speaks out against SOCIALIZED MEDICINE.”

Reagan used Red-baiting fear tactics to scare Americans into thinking these national health programs—Medicare & Medicaid—for seniors and the poor were a “slippery slope to Communism.” Apparently, this scare tactic worked since the initial legislation was later overturned for another 12 years when the Nixon administration signed off.

Reagan’s efforts against Medicare were revealed in a scoop by Drew Pearson in his *Washington Merry-Go-Round* column of June 17, 1961. Pearson titled his item on Reagan, *Star vs. JFK*, and he told his readers:

Ronald Reagan of Hollywood has pitted his mellifluous voice against President Kennedy in the battle for medical aid for the elderly. As a result it looks as if the old folks would lose out. He has caused such a deluge of mail to swamp Congress that Congressmen want to postpone action on the medical bill until 1962. What they don’t know, of course, is that Ron Reagan is behind the mail; also that the American Medical Association is paying for it.

Reagan is the handsome TV star for General Electric...***Just how this background qualifies him as an expert on medical care for the elderly***

²⁴ Tumulty, Karen, Can Obama find a cure? *TIME*, August 10, 2009.

²⁵ Babington, Charles, Distortions rife in health-care debate, AP, August 3, 2009.

remains a mystery. Nevertheless, thanks to a deal with the AMA, and the acquiescence of General Electric, Ronald may be able to out-influence the President of the United States with Congress.²⁶

Little did the public realize the AMA was adamantly opposed to Medicare; in fact, it spent \$950,570 alone on legislative interests²⁷ during the first three months of 1965 as it fought the Johnson administration's program to provide health care for the elderly and, specifically, chiropractic care, which was originally included in the bill but did not become a Medicare benefit until 1972 due to clever deception using planted committee members by the AMA.

Not only did the AMA through its Committee on Quackery thwart the will of Congress to include chiropractic in Medicare, it also broadened its deceptive war against chiropractic by distributing such propaganda to the nation's politicians, teachers and guidance counselors as a part of the AMA's [Quack Pack](#).

The CoQ also called for the elimination of the inclusion of chiropractic from the U.S Department of Labor's Health Careers Guidebook and establishing specific educational guidelines for medical schools regarding the "hazards to individuals from the unscientific cult of chiropractic".

NAZI CODE OF ETHICS

The namesake chiropractor-plaintiff in the 1987 [Wilk et al. v. AMA et al](#) antitrust lawsuit, Chester Wilk, DC, considered H. Doyl Taylor as "the AMA's Adolf Eichmann,"²⁸ the architect of the Holocaust who followed orders to destroy 'undesirables' in Nazi Germany.²⁹ Considering the AMA's penchant to "contain and eliminate" chiropractors and other non-MDs, it is obvious why Dr. Wilk harbored such animosity:

"The AMA Committee on Quackery gave the illusion that its primary function was policing its own members from inappropriate and unprofessional conduct which would be a noble responsibility. However, its real function was about as nebulous as the 'Showers of Auschwitz.'

²⁶ D Pearson, "Attorney General Gets Scolding, The Washington Merry-Go-Round," *The Washington Post*, (June 17, 1961):C15.

²⁷ DE Biser, "AMA Spends \$950,570 on Fight against Medicare," *Texas Chiropractor* 22/10 (Aug 1965):14 reprint from the *Dallas Times Herald*

²⁸ C Wilk, "A Format to use on Radio, TV and Press," <http://www.nmchiroassoc.com/articles/wilkpercent20article.pdf>.

²⁹ H Wolinsky and T Brune, *The Serpent on the Staff*, Putnam Book, New York, 1994. p. 128.

"It stated its 'prime mission was the containment and ultimate elimination of chiropractic.' The AMA worked covertly behind the scenes using negative propaganda to aggressively discredit and ultimately plan to eliminate the chiropractic profession."³⁰

In 1967, the AMA needed to put teeth into its policy to boycott chiropractors, so its Judicial Council issued an opinion under Principle 3 specifically holding that it was unethical for a physician to associate professionally with chiropractors. "Associating professionally" would include accepting or making referrals of patients to chiropractors.³¹ This would become the focal point of the antitrust trial.

In 1971, H. Doyl Taylor, now the Director of the AMA Department of Investigation and Secretary of its Committee on Quackery, submitted a memo on his equivalent "Showers of Auschwitz" policy to the AMA Board of Trustees stating:



"Since the AMA Board of Trustees' decision, at its meeting on November 2-3, 1963 to establish a Committee on Quackery, *your Committee has considered its prime mission to be, first, the containment of chiropractic and, ultimately, the elimination of chiropractic.*

"Your Committee believes it is well along with its first mission and is, at the same time, moving toward the ultimate goal. This, then, might be considered a progress report on developments in the past seven years."³²

For more than twelve years, and with the full knowledge and support of their executive officers, the AMA, under the leadership of H. Doyl Taylor, paid the salaries and expenses for a team of more than a dozen medical doctors, lawyers, and support staff for the expressed purpose of conspiring with others in medicine to "destroy the profession of chiropractic" in the United States and elsewhere.

Doyle Taylor also spoke of the problem of cooperation between MDs and "these cult

³⁰ C Wilk, *Living a Prophecy: A Chiropractor's Incredible Story*, published by Chester A. Wilk, (2008):25.

³¹ Ibid, p.39

³² G McAndrews, "Plaintiffs' Summary of Proofs as an Aid to the Court," Civil Action No. 76 C 3777, *Wilk*, (June 25, 1987):21.

practitioners,” and his intent was to end this cooperation by any means, including threatening their own members. Rather than accept what the medical practitioner thought was in the best interest of his patient, the AMA leadership was unfazed when the COQ suggested threatening its own members when it proclaimed:

“It is the position of the medical profession that chiropractic is an *unscientific cult* whose practitioners lack the necessary training and background to diagnose and treat human disease.”³³

Taylor and the COQ knew by injecting “unscientific cult” they could invoke Principle 3 of the Medical Code of Ethics to stop the ongoing cooperation between chiropractors and MDs and to prevent the admission of chiropractors to any hospitals. Both individual MDs and hospitals were afraid of losing accreditation if found to violate this Principle 3.

Taylor and his AMA allies could not wage a successful war if their own members were collaborating with the enemy. The AMA had to play hardball and threaten these MDs who worked in the patients’ behalf with chiropractors. To put pressure on its members, the AMA passed another frantic policy, Principle 4, that required each member to spy on his colleagues.

Principle 4 stated:

“The member should expose without hesitation unethical conduct of fellow members of the profession.”³⁴

This principle was not aimed at preventing unethical conduct more commonplace such as unnecessary surgeries or dispensing controlled substances and narcotics to drug abusers, nor was it aimed at sexual abuse or insurance fraud, the most widespread unethical conduct done by its own physicians.

This Principle 4 was solely aimed at those MDs who referred patients to or accepted patients from chiropractors. In effect, this principle was in total defiance of ethical patient care to refer patients to the appropriate type of doctor’s office. Indeed, it became obvious that political policy would now supersede proper patient care.

In 1966, the AMA sent letters to medical societies, medical schools, medical boards, and state and county medical associations telling them it was “unethical” for medical physicians to professionally associate with chiropractors. The warning was also published in the *AMA News* of May 2,

³³ Ibid. p. 6750-51.

³⁴ Ibid. p. 7090.

1966, and sent to all members of the AMA. The headline read: "AMA Letter Denies Association Between Physician, Chiropractor."³⁵

The AMA Code of Ethics even forbade an MD from being a member of the Rotary Club, a church, or a golf club if a chiropractor was also a member, illustrating the boycott extended into every phase of life. Of course, it was the chiropractor who came up on the short end of the stick in these confrontations. During the medical war against chiropractors, the medical societies around the country not only boycotted chiropractors professionally, but they also took every opportunity to personally humiliate them publicly.

After fomenting anti-chiropractic attitudes among its members to garner support for its professional segregation, on September 24, 1963, Robert Youngerman, AMA's Department of Investigation lawyer, reported to Throckmorton on the AMA's official announcement of its goal:

"It would seem from certain declarations of the House of Delegates and the Judicial Council, that the ultimate objective of the AMA theoretically, is *the complete elimination of the chiropractic profession.*"³⁶

Perhaps the AMA attorney failed to recognize the similarity of his language, or he just did not care that his choice of words calling for "the complete elimination of the chiropractic profession" sounded reminiscent to Nazi propaganda to eliminate Jewish people.

Yet Youngerman continued to demonize chiropractors; it was his job:

"...they present a clear and present danger to the health and welfare of the public, and it would seem that as guardians of our nation's health, doctors of medicine should be dedicated to the total elimination of any such unscientific cult."

In effect, Youngerman was restyling the Hippocratic Oath to be the Nazi Death Camp Oath resembling Drs. [Josef Mengele](#) and [Eduard Wirths](#) who practiced at Auschwitz. Josef Mengele was known as the "Angel of Death" who conducted inhumane experiments on prisoners, particularly twins. Eduard Wirths served as the chief physician at Auschwitz, overseeing medical practices and the selection process for gas chambers.

Despite the lack of scientific or legal proof that chiropractors were any danger to anyone, in 1963 Youngerman suggested the formation of a "Committee on Chiropractic" that was changed by the AMA Board of Trustees to "Committee on Quackery (CoQ)." Apparently the AMA Board was a bit more discreet than the Youngerman, although it certainly had the same intention to eliminate chiropractors.

³⁵ G McAndrews Aid to the Court, PX-1467

³⁶ Memo from Robert Youngerman to Robert Throckmorton, 24 September 1963, plaintiff's exhibit 173, *Wilks*.

The AMA Principle 3 of the Medical Code of Ethics resembled Nazi law to disassociate with Jewish people for fear of being arrested:

“It is very important to point out to members of the medical profession that it is considered unethical to refer a patient to a chiropractor for **any purpose whatsoever.**”³⁷

MEDICAL GESTAPO

After the reign of the *Medical Mussolini* ended abruptly in 1949 when he suddenly fired for sex dalliances, the chiophobia campaign was revitalized in 1962 by the Committee on Quackery (CoQ), a subset of the AMA’s Department of Investigation, equivalent to a medical FBI, if you will.

Fishbein left a void in the AMA’s propaganda campaign or more than twelve years until his successor, H. Doyl Taylor, created a Medical Gestapo to follow in Fishbein’s legacy, the Committee on Quackery (CoQ), a team of more than a dozen medical doctors, lawyers, and support staff for the expressed purpose to “destroy the profession of chiropractic” in the United States and elsewhere.



The new chairman, Joseph A. Sabatier, MD, announced the CoQ’s goal to “contain and eliminate the chiropractic profession,”³⁸ and set the tone of this medical Gestapo squad with his infamous statement that should go down in the lore of chiropractic history that “Rabid dogs and chiropractors fit into about the same category...they kill people.”³⁹

He also said that “it is very important to point out to members of the medical profession that it is considered something less than totally unethical to refer a patient to a chiropractor for any purpose whatever.”⁴⁰

Similar to white bigots segregating themselves from African-Americans, MDs were punished with loss of licensure if they referred to or accepted patients from chiropractors. Hospitals were threatened with loss of accreditation if they allowed chiropractors to use their facility. The heavy hand of the CoQ made it clear that integration with chiropractors in any fashion was strictly taboo.

³⁷ Ibid. PX-1288, p. 2

³⁸ G McAndrews, “Plaintiffs’ Summary of Proofs as an Aid to the Court,” Civil Action No. 76 C 3777, Wilk, (June 25, 1987) Throckmorton, Howard, Taylor, and Monaghan Deps.

³⁹ Minutes from the “Chiropractic Workshop,” Michigan State Medical Society, held in Lansing on 10 May 1973, exhibit 1283, *Wilk*.

⁴⁰ Ibid. PX-1288, p. 2

MEDICAL POWS

Most likely these medical POWs were given a distorted version of their rights as patients. This is equivalent to the Geneva Convention and told their rights by law to the [Doctrine of Informed Consent](#) about their options to care, or a truthful discussion of side effects, and specifically the role of chiropractic might play in back pain cases to correct spinal joint dysfunction without drugs, shots, or surgery to reduce opioid consumption and likelihood for spine surgery. Nor were these POWs told their rights to know the [evidence-based guidelines](#) or many [international guidelines](#) developed over the past 30 years.

Instead, these POWs will be told nothing about options and chiropractic care or they will most likely be lied to by biased, greedy MDs who act like Nazi foot soldiers following the ideology of the [Medical Mussolini](#) are indoctrinated to “chirophobia” to mislead patients about the safety clinical-effectiveness of chiropractic care that was shown to be superior to [“outdated models of care.”](#)

When people with back pain enter the roulette of medical spine care, they are clueless they will experience a slippery slope to become, in essence, captured Medical POWs—Patients of the Medical War against chiropractors—but with less rights than real POWs. In the medical concentration camps, aka, hospitals, controlled exclusively by the AMA/Spine Cartel, patients are indoctrinated to myths many will experience medical indoctrination to fraudulent treatments—such as:

- According to The Lancet review presently the medical professionals use [“outdated models of care”](#) based on [“widespread misconceptions, inappropriate tests, risky surgeries, and painkillers -- often against treatment guidelines.”](#)⁴¹
- Patients will be pressured by profit-motivated physicians who are [bribed by Big Pharma](#) prescribe narcotic opioid painkillers that are addictive, ineffective, and dangerous to delude their awareness.
- As [Donald Teater](#), Medical Advisor, National Safety Council, confirmed, [“Opioid painkillers do not kill pain, they kill people.”](#)
- [“This entire \[prescription opioid\] thing was preventable. This did not need to happen,”](#) said Erin Krebs, MD, MPH, about the opioid crisis. [JAMA published her story, “Opioids were no better than placebo at relieving back pain.”](#)⁴²

⁴¹ [Low back pain: a call for action](#)

⁴² [Opioids No Better Than Placebo at Relieving Back Pain, Emily Harris, JAMA. 2023;330\(5\):401.](#)

- They will face continued systemic abuse as they are trafficked down the slippery slope of exams, tests, and repeat spine surgeries half the time proven to be clinically ineffective, unnecessary, costly, and disabling.
- Most often they will not be told they have rights to know options to care such as chiropractic care, nor the risks of medical care.

DCs were relegated to the margins of society in many ways, socially and professionally. Not only did our professional forefathers paid a huge price with imprisonment, abuse, and social degradation, so did the millions of Americans who were POW collateral damage in this medical war when they were denied our brand of conservative and more effective care and then were forced to use opioid drugs and unnecessary spine surgeries.

DCS AS SOCIAL ACTIVISTS

According to historian Russell W. Gibbons, chiropractors had felt the brunt as one of the first grass roots movements in America:

“...like abolitionists, chiropractors were systematically persecuted and driven from town to town. Like the feminists and suffragettes, chiropractors were made objects of ridicule. And like the civil rights workers of more recent times, chiropractors were intimidated and subverted by agents and provocateurs. In the finest tradition of reform movements, they were imprisoned for their beliefs.”

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Few people realize during the first half of the 20th century, more than 12,000 American chiropractors were prosecuted over 15,000 times, and some 3,300 were sent to jail for allegedly practicing medicine without a license. This was a bogus charge since they were practicing nondrug, nonsurgical chiropractic spinal care, not medical care consisting of drugs, shots, or surgery.⁴⁴

In 1931 Chittenden Turner, author of *The Rise of Chiropractic*, suggested in the early history of the profession perhaps 30,000 chiropractors served jail time by the 1930s.⁴⁵

This legal precedent did not stop the prosecutors in other states. Until 1922, when a referendum was passed in California to protect chiropractors, roundups were used to jail chiropractors *en masse* as this account testifies:

⁴³ Russell W Gibbons, "Go to Jail for Chiro," *Journal of Chiropractic Humanities* 4 (1994) p. 67.

⁴⁴ Gibbons, *ibid* pp. 61-71

⁴⁵ Turner, Chittenden. *The Rise of Chiropractic*. Los Angeles: Powell Publishing Company, 1931.

In just one year [1921] 450 of approximately 600 chiropractors were hauled into court and convicted of practicing without a license. They were given jail sentences or the alternative of a fine. They chose to go to jail.⁴⁶



Fred Courtney, DC, adjusting cell mates
in LA County jail, Feb. 1921
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Convictions became more difficult as patients refused to testify against them. In 1922, after four chiropractors were jailed in Taft, California, the judge asked the sheriff why there were so few witnesses in view of the many subpoenas issued. The Sheriff said:

"Your Honor, the sheriff's office has been unable to catch the witnesses. They hide under beds and run out the back doors. They won't testify against these chiropractors. The Sheriff's office has a lot of important business, so if you want these witnesses, you'll have to catch them yourself."⁴⁷

The nastiness of the medical profession was evident not only by these legal persecutions, but by many uncivil acts. For example, in 1926, a medical society spokesman debating Lyndon Lee, DC, a 1915 Palmer graduate and former Amherst student, snarled at Lee during a legislative fray in New York State:

"Yes, we are against you. We are against chiropractic and all other fakers. If this legislature will give us this bill, we will drive you and your ilk out of this state! What do think about that?"

⁴⁶ B Inglis. *The Case For Unorthodox Medicine*, New York: GP Putnam (1963)

⁴⁷ Ibid. p. 67.

"First, sir," Lee responded, "I'd like to see your driver's license."⁴⁸

The warning to "drive you and your ilk out of this state" was not merely a blowhard speaking, but it was a real threat that happened to many chiropractors. Like the KKK terrorizing African-Americans, the medical society was powerful in the courtrooms, in the churches, and in the streets.

⁴⁸ Gibbons, *ibid*, p. 67.