

**General
Chiropractic
Council**



Fitness to Practise Report 2016

2016 Fitness to Practise Case Summaries Before the PCC

Name, registration number and date of PCC decision	Source of Complaint	Summary of Allegations Found Proved	Outcome
<p>Jonathan Whitlock 03466</p> <p>April 2016</p>	<p>Patient</p>	<p>The Allegations found proved against Mr Whitlock relate to two patients referred to here as Patients A and B.</p> <p><u>Patient A</u></p> <p>At a treatment session between mid February and mid March 2015, while Patient A was lying on her back on the treatment table, fully clothed with her knees raised, Mr Whitlock:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • rested his fingers between her legs in the area of the labia • deliberately touched or allowed his fingers to touch the area of her labia. <p>Mr Whitlock's actions individually and/or taken together, were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • not justified as part of the course of treatment • without the consent of Patient A • inappropriate • unprofessional • sexually motivated. <p>At a treatment session on or about 18 March 2015 while Patient A was lying on her front on the treatment table, fully clothed with Mr Whitlock standing at her left side, Mr Whitlock:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • stroked her buttock with his fingers • deliberately touched or allowed his fingers to touch the area between her legs. • while carrying out treatment around her shoulder he stood at her left shoulder with his penis pressed against her shoulder; and at the time of doing so his penis was erect or semi-erect. <p>These actions, as above, individually and/or taken together, were:</p>	<p>Finding of Unacceptable Professional Conduct</p> <p>Sanction: Removal from the register</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• not justified as part of a course of treatment• without the consent of Patient A• inappropriate• unprofessional• sexually motivated <p>At a treatment session on or about 18 March 2015 when Patient A was about to use the walking machine, Mr Whitlock squeezed Patient A's hand and said 'enjoy it'. This conduct was:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• inappropriate• unprofessional <p><u>Patient B</u></p> <p>Between 24 August 2012 and 17 September 2012 Mr Whitlock examined and/or treated Patient B. At the first appointment, Mr Whitlock rolled down Patient B's knickers. He repeated this on three other occasions.</p> <p>At a treatment session on or about 17 September 2012, while Patient B was lying on her front on the treatment table, Mr Whitlock:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• massaged Patient B's left buttock• deliberately rubbed between her legs in the area of her labia and/or pubic region. <p>This conduct was:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• not justified as part of a course of treatment• without the consent of Patient B• inappropriate• unprofessional• sexually motivated. <p>On or about 24 August 2012, Mr Whitlock procured a series of x-ray exposures of Patient B and did not adequately record the findings of each x-ray.</p>	
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<p>Donald Paul Murray 00648</p> <p>January 2016</p>	<p>Patient</p>	<p>On or about 27 February 2012, Patient A consulted Mr Murray complaining of shoulder and neck pain. Thereafter, Mr Murray treated Patient A at a number of treatment sessions between February and May 2012.</p> <p>Mr Murray failed to make an adequate initial assessment of Patient A in that he failed to record the results of adequate orthopaedic testing.</p> <p>Mr Murray failed to establish a working diagnosis or rationale for care. As a result, the treatment Mr Murray gave to Patient A was not justified.</p> <p>In or about April 2012 Patient A reported worsening symptoms including numbness in the legs and severe pain. Thereafter, Mr Murray failed to carry out an adequate re-assessment of Patient A. Mr Murray also failed to advise Patient A promptly to seek medical advice.</p>	<p>Finding of Unacceptable Professional Conduct</p> <p>Sanction: Conditions of Practice order</p>