

## Overview For Legal Guidelines for the Natural Health Care Practitioner

- I. Fundamental Legal Principles of the American Legal System
  - A. The History and Purpose of Law
  - B. The Source of Legal Power in America
  - C. Hierarchy of Law in America
    - 1. Spiritual source – Judeo-Christian law
    - 2. English Common Law
    - 3. Constitutional Law
    - 4. Statutes – federal, state, local
    - 5. Implementing regulations
    - 6. Case law
  - D. The Four most important Legal Principles that effect one's Practice
    - 1. Jurisdiction
    - 2. Enumerated Powers are the only powers Government has legal authority to exercise.
    - 3. Separation of Powers
    - 4. Separation of Functions
- II. Healing Paradigms and how they affect your practice
  - A. Conventional – Disease model.
  - B. Holistic models and their legal consequences
    - 1. Expanding the 'diagnose, treat, and cure' model
    - 2. Balancing, normalizing
    - 3. Detoxification
    - 4. Spiritual Healing'
    - 5. Self help/education
- III. Practice Options
  - A. Statutory Options
  - B. Constitutional Options
  - C. Common Law options
- IV. How to Communicate and Conduct Yourself in a Way that helps you Avoid Legal problems
- V. Consent, Disclaimer, Disclosure and Privacy Forms
- VI. Recording Keeping, Insurance and Incorporation Advantages and Disadvantages.
- VII. Licensing v. Certification Advantages/Disadvantages.

- VIII. What are Your Rights?
  - A. Understanding the Concept of Sovereignty and Shared Sovereignty
  - B. Natural Rights v. Civil Rights
  - C. Negative and Positive Rights
  - D. Rights v. Privileges
  - E. Claiming Rights
  - F. Citizenship and Rights
  
- IX. The United States Constitution – How it applies to You.
  - A. The primary purpose of Government
  - B. Are We a Democracy?
  - C. Powers Delegated to the Federal Government
  - D. The Bill of Rights and how it can protect your Practice –Especially the Forgotten Ninth Amendment**
  
- X. What to do if Legal Disputes Arise