

150.1 Definitions.

For the purpose of this Code, the following definitions are enacted:

1. Osteopathy is that school of healing art which teaches and practices scientific methods and modalities used in the prevention and treatment of human diseases, but whose basic concept, in contrast with all other schools, places paramount emphasis upon the normality of blood circulation and all other body functions as a necessary prerequisite to health and holds that such normality is more certain of achievement by and through manual stimulation or inhibition of the nerve mechanism controlling such functions, or by the correction of anatomical maladjustments.

2. Osteopathic practice is that method of rehabilitating, restoring and maintaining body functions by and through manual stimulation or inhibition of nerve mechanism controlling such body functions, or by the correction of anatomical maladjustment, or by other therapeutic agents, methods and modalities used supplementary thereto; but such supplementary agents, methods or modalities shall be used only preliminary to, preparatory to or in conjunction with such manual treatment. Such osteopathic practice is hereby declared not to be the practice of medicine within the meaning of chapter 148, nor the practice of osteopathic medicine and surgery within the meaning of chapter 150A, and is not subject to the provisions of chapter 148 or chapter 150A, except sections 148.6 to 148.9, inclusive.

[C35, § 2554-g1; C39, § **2554.01**; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, § 150.1]