Speaker: Dr. Avery Champagne, Doctor of Chiropractic, RAD Health Chiropractic **Session Title:** The Brain-Spine Connection: Promoting Neurodevelopment through a Holistic Approach

Speaker Bio: Dr. Avery Champagne is a dedicated pediatric and family chiropractor specializing in chronic health and neurodevelopmental care at RAD Health Chiropractic in Lacey, Washington. As an active member of the International Chiropractic Pediatric Association (ICPA), Dr. Champagne is committed to elevating the health and well-being of children in his community. His passion for chiropractic care began while studying in San Francisco, where he immersed himself in the neuroscience of chiropractic medicine and the impact it makes in the lives of children struggling with neurodevelopmental challenges. With years of experience helping children with conditions like autism and ADHD, Dr. Champagne integrates a holistic approach to health, supporting families in fostering their children's development.

Session Description: In this session, Dr. Avery Champagne will explore the vital connection between the brain and spine in supporting neurodevelopment, particularly in children with autism, ADHD, and sensory processing challenges. Attendees will dive into the neuroscience behind chiropractic care and its potential impact on children's development. Through this interactive lecture, participants will gain insight into how sensory processing unfolds in a child and the role proprioception plays in autism, with a focus on the brain-spine connection.

Learning Objectives:

Participants will:

- Broaden their understanding of sensory processing and how it unfolds in children.
- Learn about the role proprioception has in autism.
- Learn about the connection between the function and motion of the spine and specific areas of the brain.

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