### Supplementary file 2

### **The 10 items used to determine** **the degree of conservatism**

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|  | Definitely not | Probably not | Don’t know | Yes, probably | | Yes, definitely |
| **In your opinion, can chiropractic spinal adjustments** |
| prevent disease in general? [1] | Appropriate  answer | | | | Inappropriate answer | |
| help the immune system? [1] |
| improve the health of infants? [1] |
| help the body function at 100% of its capacity? [1] |
| prevent degeneration of the spine? [1] |
| **Three clinical cases** | | | | | | |
| Primary prevention of back disorders  A mother wants to bring her 5-yr. old child for regular chiropractic consultations to prevent the onset of spinal disorders in the future. The child has never had back pain before. Are you willing to regularly adjust this child to avoid the onset of back disorders in the future? | Appropriate  answer | | | | Inappropriate answer | |
| Primary prevention of diseases  A mother wants to bring her 5-yr. old child for regular chiropractic consultations to prevent the onset of disease in the future. The case history reveals many diseases in the family (breast cancer, diabetes, lipidaemia, etc.). Are you willing to regularly adjust this child to avoid the onset of disease in the future? |

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| For each statement, choose the box that best corresponds to your opinions | Strongly disagree | Somewhat disagree | I don’t know | | Somewhat agree | Strongly agree |
| Subluxations are the cause of all disease [2] | Appropriate  answer | | | Inappropriate answer | | |
| Subluxations cause short-circuits of the nervous system |
| Subluxations can have a negative effect on the capacity of the nervous system to provide energy to tissues and organs |
| It is possible to detect subluxations before symptoms appear |
| It is appropriate for every person to receive chiropractic adjustments for their entire life [2] |

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