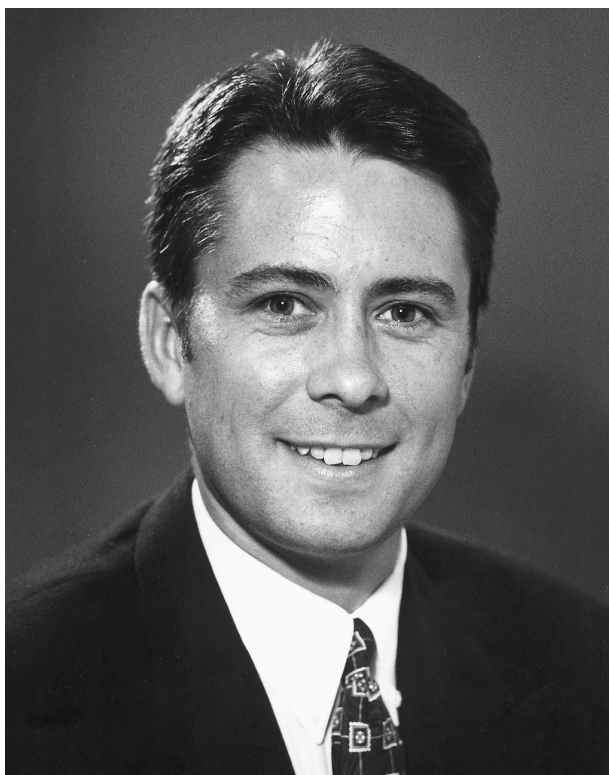


## Profile



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Dr. Côté graduated from the Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College in 1989 and completed the Clinical Sciences residency program in 1991. After becoming a Fellow of the College of Chiropractic Sciences, he moved to Saskatoon to practice with Dr. David Cassidy where he began a graduate degree at the University of Saskatchewan. In 1996, he obtained a master's degree in surgery and studied the epidemiology of neck and back pain in the Saskatchewan adult population. He is currently a Ph.D. Candidate in epidemiology in the Department of Public Health Sciences at the University of Toronto and a Re-

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In 1997, Dr. Côté became the first chiropractor to obtain a Ph.D. Training Fellowship from Health Canada's National Health Research and Development Program (NHRDP). He also was awarded the University of Toronto Walter Ward Research Award given each year to a graduate student who conducts pain research. His current research interests include studying the etiology and prevention of disability related to whiplash and occupational low back pain. For his doctoral thesis, he will compare the recovery of whiplash in groups of patients visiting a chiropractor, a medical doctor or a combination of both types of providers.

He is a member of several learned societies including the Canadian Society for Epidemiology and Biostatistics, the Society for Epidemiological Research and the Health Evidence, Application and Linkage Network (HEALNet). Dr. Côté has authored more than 25 scientific papers and textbook chapters published or submitted to chiropractic and biomedical journals including *Spine*, the *Journal of Spinal Disorders* and *JMPT*. Finally, he represents the Institute for Work & Health on the Consortium of Canadian Chiropractic Research Centers and he serves as an editorial board member of the *JCCA* and a reviewer for *JMPT*.

**In the past two years**, Dr. Côté authored or coauthored the following papers and textbook chapter:

- 1 Hogg-Johnson S, Cole D, Côté P, Frank JW. Optimal phasing and staging of interventions following soft-tissue injuries. In: Sullivan T (ed). *The Historical Compromise Reconsidered: Topical Issues in Workers Compensation Reform*. U.B.C. Press, 1998 (in press).
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