How Can I Subscribe to CIN-BAD?
Subscribers pay an annual access fee which covers account set-up, user training and unlimited queries utilizing your metered usage account.

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Benefits of an Online Subscription
• Instant access to query results
• Track which names you have searched
• Add/change/deactivate users to your account
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What is CIN-BAD?
Since 1993, the core element of CIN-BAD is the Official Actions Database. It is a comprehensive warehouse of information on chiropractors with public board actions taken by chiropractic regulatory licensing boards, and/or exclusions from Medicare/Medicaid reimbursement by the US Department of Health & Human Services. Data from these two sources is captured into a unified, searchable database and combined into a single, comprehensive report.

CIN-BAD information has numerous features that make it reliable, versatile and convenient for its users, however it does not include malpractice settlements, accusations which have not been resolved by board actions, or board actions that are not a matter of public record.

Direct, on-line access to CIN-BAD is limited to representatives of the FCLB’s member boards, and to the organizations which have purchased subscriptions to the database. Members of the general public, or organizations that need only occasional reports, may choose to have the FCLB staff conduct a query of the database for them for a nominal fee.

CIN-BAD is maintained by the Federation of Chiropractic Licensing Boards as a service to its member boards, to the health care community, and to the general public.

Who Reports to CIN-BAD?
FCLB member boards voluntarily report some or all public board actions to the CIN-BAD database through an online, secure system. Leading the way in comprehensive reporting, the licensing boards in Colorado, Michigan and Minnesota have reported all public board actions dating back to the 1950's.

The FCLB staff maintains the data regularly by thorough data entry and a careful staff proofing process to assure users that correct data has been entered as reported by chiropractic licensing boards. This “human” proofing procedure verifies that the information is accurate before it goes to the live database, continuing the integrity of the CIN-BAD database.

How Can CIN-BAD Help with Quality Credentialing?
CIN-BAD can help assure that your health care organization or agency has access to information to effectively make an informed decision about the applicant. Chiropractic boards have different requirements for education, scope of practice, continuing education requirements, etc. Therefore it is important to review the criteria for the jurisdictions where the chiropractor is licensed. Many chiropractors hold licenses in different jurisdictions.

Since 1996, the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) has recognized CIN-BAD as an “acceptable source” for agencies to check for chiropractic board actions as part of a credentials verification process.

Why use CIN-BAD? Some chiropractors with disciplinary history may not fully disclose all of the states in which they are licensed or have had board actions. It is always best to check CIN-BAD’s interjurisdictional database as well as call the licensing board.

How Can I Query CIN-BAD?
If you only have a few names to query, you may elect to have the Federation staff check the database for you at a cost of $26 per name. The information returned will include a full report of the individual requested along with a validation report.

You may print out a query form from our website at www.fclb.org (hover your mouse over the “About CIN-BAD” tab, then click “Query Form”). Or use the query form attached with the application forms in this packet. Simply fill out Section A (your contact and payment information) and Section B (the doctor’s information) and the FCLB staff will complete Section C (validation if the name is or is not in CIN-BAD). We will respond, usually within 3 business days (24 hours), to your query request.

If you plan to query more than 20 DC’s in a year’s time, it may be more cost effective for your organization to consider signing up for a Subscription to CIN-BAD (learn more below.)