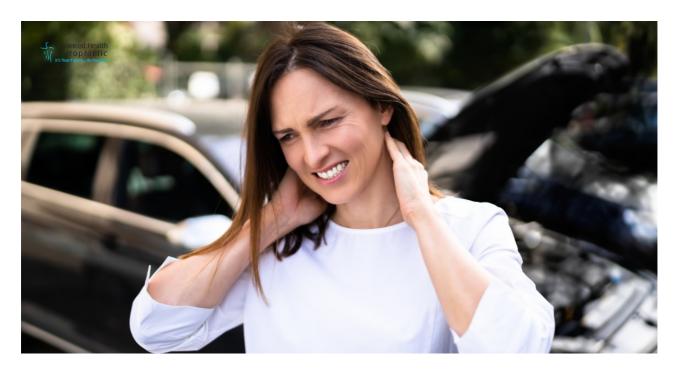
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Whiplash Symptoms You Shouldn't Ignore After a Car Accident

Have You Felt "Off" Since Your Crash? It Could Be Whiplash...

Many people walk away from a car accident thinking they're okay—only to wake up days later with stiff necks, headaches, or dizziness. These aren't just minor annoyances. They could be signs of whiplash, and ignoring them can lead to long-term damage. If you're in Troy, MI, and dealing with lingering pain after a crash, you're not alone. This guide will help you recognize key symptoms and explain when it's time to seek help—especially if you want to avoid bigger health issues down the line.

What We'll Cover:

What Is Whiplash, Exactly?

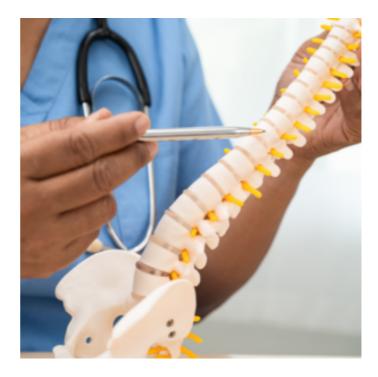
Whiplash is a **soft tissue injury** to the neck that happens when your head suddenly moves backward and then forward, like the cracking of a whip. It's common in rear-end collisions, even at low speeds.

What Causes It?

- 1. Sudden impact in car crashes
- 2. Sports injuries
- 3. Physical trauma (falls or jolts)

How It Feels:

- 1. Neck stiffness or soreness
- 2. Headaches radiating from the base of the skull
- 3. Fatigue or dizziness
- 4. Jaw pain or blurred vision (in some cases)



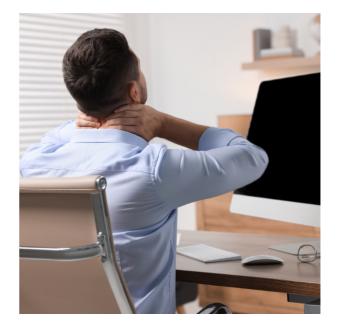
Symptoms You Shouldn't Ignore

Some symptoms show up **right away**, while others appear **hours or days later**. Both are important.

Watch For:

- 1. Persistent neck pain or stiffness
- 2. Tingling or numbness in arms/hands
- 3. Trouble concentrating (aka "whiplash brain fog")
- 4. Fatigue that won't go away
- 5. Vertigo or balance issues

Even mild symptoms can signal deeper issues like **spinal misalignment** or nerve damage.



"Many people think they're fine because there's no immediate pain—but that's the danger," says Dr. [Name], lead chiropractor at Advanced Health Chiropractic.

When to See a Chiropractor

You don't have to wait until the pain is unbearable.

Seek Care If:

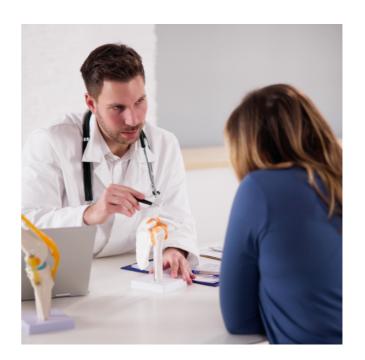
- 1. You were in a car accident (even a minor one)
- 2. You have any of the symptoms listed above

3. You want a professional spinal evaluation

At <u>Advanced Health Chiropractic</u>, we specialize in identifying soft tissue and spinal issues **before** they become chronic problems.

We use non-invasive techniques like:

- 1. Spinal adjustments
- 2. Decompression therapy
- 3. Targeted therapeutic exercises



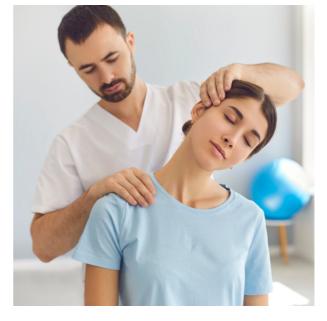
What Happens If You Ignore Whiplash?

Ignoring whiplash can turn a simple neck injury into long-term suffering.

Risks Include:

- 1. Chronic neck and shoulder pain
- 2. Degenerative disc disease
- 3. Limited range of motion
- 4. Constant headaches or migraines

And yes—it can disrupt your sleep, your work, and your peace of mind.



How Advanced Health Chiropractic Can Help

At <u>Advanced Health Chiropractic</u> in Troy, MI, we've helped hundreds of patients recover from whiplash and post-accident symptoms—without drugs or surgery.

Our approach:

- 1. Personalized care plans
- 2. Thorough spinal exams
- 3. Gentle, effective techniques

Conveniently located on Rochester Rd

Accepts health insurance

FAQ

How long after an accident do whiplash symptoms appear?

Symptoms can appear immediately or within 24–72 hours. Delayed onset is common.

Do I need a referral to see a chiropractor after an accident?

No referral is needed. You can schedule directly with our office.

Can whiplash cause headaches?

Yes. Many patients experience headaches that start at the base of the skull due to tension and inflammation.

Is chiropractic treatment covered by insurance?

Yes. We accept most insurance plans and can help you verify coverage.

Resources

- 1. See All Our Services Chiropractic Care in Troy, MI
- 2. <u>Learn About Spinal Decompression Therapy</u>
- 3. Prenatal & Pediatric Chiropractic Services

Ready to Take the Next Step?

Don't wait for the pain to worsen. Get the clarity and care you need.

Schedule Your Consultation Now or

Call 248-813-0500 to speak with our team.