 Participants flow diagram

No response through initial contact (n=21)

Potential participants informed and invited for screening (n=95)

Screening inclusion and exclusion criteria (n=74)

Potential eligible participants (n=47)

Not meeting inclusion criteria (n=27)

Refrained to participate (n=28)

Randomization (n=19)

Chiropractic spinal manipulative therapy (CSMT) (n=6)

Placebo (sham manipulation) (n=6)

Control group (n=7)

Drop-out (n=2)

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Drop-out (n=3)

Post-treatment assessment (n=4)

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Follow-up assessment 3-months (n=4)

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