

How the ADA Tax Credit Can Help You Buy a New Hylo or Elevation Table

As a chiropractor, you know the importance of investing in equipment that improves patient outcomes and streamlines your practice. One of the most essential tools in your clinic is the chiropractic table, particularly an **elevation or hylo table**, which allows for safe access to those who need it, and better ergonomic positioning for both the chiropractor and the patient. However, purchasing a new table can be a significant investment, especially if you're focused on upgrading to models with advanced features. Fortunately, there's a way to offset some of these costs, thanks to the **ADA tax credit**.



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This informational guide will explain how the ADA tax credit works and how it can directly benefit your chiropractic practice, especially when purchasing an elevation or hi/lo table, or other necessary accessibility equipment.

What Is the ADA Tax Credit? (Also known as IRS code section 44 disabled access credit)

The Americans with Disabilities Act tax credit is a financial incentive designed to help small businesses, including healthcare providers like chiropractors, comply with ADA guidelines by making their facilities and services more accessible to individuals with disabilities. This includes purchasing equipment that ensures your practice is ADA-compliant, such as adjustable tables, ramps, and other assistive technologies.

The credit was established to ease the financial burden on small businesses for accessibility improvements and to encourage the creation of inclusive environments for people with disabilities.

Who Qualifies for the ADA Tax Credit?

To qualify for the ADA tax credit, your chiropractic practice must meet the following criteria:

- **Annual Revenue:** Your practice must have earned less than \$1 million in revenue in the previous tax year.
- **Employee Count:** You must have 30 or fewer full-time employees.

If your practice meets these requirements, you're eligible to claim the ADA tax credit for various expenses related to improving accessibility for patients with disabilities.

How the ADA Tax Credit Can Be Applied to Hylo or Elevation Tables

Chiropractic tables are crucial tools for many practices, especially those serving patients with mobility issues, elderly patients, or those who experience difficulty getting on and off standard-height tables. Hylo and elevation tables, which adjust vertically to accommodate patient needs, allow for easier access and safer treatment.

Under ADA guidelines, equipment that improves accessibility, can be eligible for a tax credit. Here's how it works:

- 1. Expense Coverage:** The ADA tax credit allows eligible practices to claim up to **50% of the cost** of eligible expenses (from \$250-\$10,250), with a **maximum credit of \$5,000** per year. The credit applies to any improvements or purchases made to ensure accessibility for individuals with disabilities.
- 2. Eligible Equipment:** Elevation, and Hylo tables, especially those that can accommodate patients with limited mobility or disabilities, often qualify for this credit. By purchasing a table that helps make your practice more accessible to all patients, you're making an ADA-compliant investment, which can lower your out-of-pocket costs.



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Example: The Financial Impact on a Hylo or Elevation Table Purchase

Let's say you've found the perfect hylo table for your practice that costs \$10,000. If this table qualifies under the ADA tax credit, you can claim a 50% credit on the cost. Here's a breakdown:

- **Total Cost of Hylo Table:** \$10,000
- **Eligible ADA Tax Credit:** 50% of the cost, up to \$5,000
- **Tax Credit Applied:** \$5,000 (maximum allowed)

After applying the ADA tax credit, the actual cost of the hylo table would effectively be reduced to \$5,000. This makes the purchase much more affordable, allowing you to invest in high-quality equipment without a heavy financial burden.

Additional Benefits of Investing in an Elevation or Hylo Table

Beyond the tax savings, upgrading to a hylo table brings several advantages to your practice:

- **Enhanced Patient Experience:** A hylo table or one with elevation, makes it easier for patients to mount and dismount the table, especially those with physical limitations or injuries. This adds a layer of comfort and safety to their treatment.
- **Improved Efficiency:** Hylo and elevation tables allow chiropractors to adjust patients into ideal positions without straining themselves, reducing wear and tear on your body over time.



- **Broader Patient Base:** With a more accessible practice, you can serve a wider range of patients, including those with mobility challenges, which can increase your practice's reach and inclusivity.

How to Claim the ADA Tax Credit

Claiming the ADA tax credit is relatively straightforward. When filing your business taxes, you'll need to:

1. **Fill Out IRS Form 8826:** This form is specifically designed for claiming the ADA tax credit. You'll detail the qualifying expenses and calculate the credit.
2. **Maintain Documentation:** Be sure to keep records of the purchase of the hi/lo table and any other qualifying improvements for accessibility purposes. These may be required if you are audited.
3. **Consult with a Tax Professional**:** It's always a good idea to speak with your accountant or a tax professional to ensure you're correctly applying for the credit and maximizing your savings.

Conclusion: Invest in Your Practice and Your Patients with the ADA Tax Credit

Purchasing a new hi/lo table for your chiropractic practice can greatly improve patient care and operational efficiency. Thanks to the ADA tax credit, this investment becomes even more affordable, allowing you to focus on growing your practice while providing accessible, high-quality care for all patients.

By taking advantage of this tax credit, you not only ensure your practice is compliant with ADA regulations but also open your doors to a wider audience, making chiropractic care more accessible to everyone.

Ready to buy or want to learn more?

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