

WAC 246-836-220 Intramuscular, intravenous, subcutaneous, and intradermal injections. Naturopathic physicians may administer substances consistent with the practice of naturopathic medicine as indicated in WAC 246-836-210 through the means of intramuscular, intravenous, subcutaneous, and intradermal injections.

(1) Naturopathic physicians may use intravenous therapy when they have submitted an attestation of training. Training must be at least sixteen hours of instruction. At least eight hours must be part of a graduate level course from a school approved under chapter 18.36A, 18.71, 18.57, or 18.79 RCW. Instruction must include the following:

- (a) Indications;
- (b) Contraindications;
- (c) Formularies;
- (d) Emergency protocols;
- (e) Osmolarity calculation;
- (f) Aseptic technique; and
- (g) Proper documentation.

(2) The naturopathic physician must retain training documentation at least five years from attestation date.

(3) Intravenous chelation therapy is limited to use for heavy metal toxicity.

(4) All naturopathic physicians who use injection therapy must have a plan to manage adverse events including sensitivity, allergy, overdose, or other unintended reactions.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 18.130.050(1), 18.36A.060, and 2005 c 158. WSR 07-20-101, § 246-836-220, filed 10/2/07, effective 11/2/07.]