

**WAC 246-836-500 Sexual misconduct—Definitions.** (1) "Health care information" means any information, whether oral or recorded in any form or medium that identifies or can readily be associated with the identity of, and relates to the health care of, a patient or client.

(2) "Key party" means immediate family members and others who would be reasonably expected to play a significant role in the health care decisions of the patient or client and includes, but is not limited to, the spouse, domestic partner, sibling, parent, child, guardian, and person authorized to make health care decisions of the patient or client.

(3) "Legitimate health care purpose" means activities for examination, diagnosis, treatment, and personal care of patients or clients, including palliative care, as consistent with community standards of practice for the naturopathic profession. The activity must be within the scope of practice of naturopathic medicine.

(4) "Patient" or "client" means an individual who receives health care from a naturopathic physician.

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