

**WAC 246-836A-050 Colon hydrotherapist—Affiliation relationships.** (1) A colon hydrotherapist may perform colon hydrotherapy only under an affiliation relationship with a naturopathic physician as required in WAC 246-836-300. Such affiliation relationships must be registered with the board before a colon hydrotherapist may perform colon hydrotherapy services on patients referred from that naturopathic physician. A registered affiliation relationship will remain in effect until rescinded by either practitioner.

(2) A colon hydrotherapist who has a registered affiliation relationship with a naturopathic physician and desires to terminate such relationship must provide a minimum of 60 days' notice to that naturopathic physician prior to submitting documentation to the board rescinding that relationship. If a colon hydrotherapist employee or naturopathic physician employee within a practice is terminated from employment, then any affiliation relationship with that terminated employee is immediately suspended and rescission is effective once documentation is submitted to the board.

(3) If a colon hydrotherapist desires to become affiliated with additional naturopathic physicians, he or she must enter into an additional affiliation relationship with each naturopathic physician as set forth in WAC 246-836-300. Such additional affiliation relationships must also be registered with the board before a colon hydrotherapist may perform colon hydrotherapy services on patients referred to them from the additional naturopathic physicians.

(4) There is no limit to the number of affiliation relationships a colon hydrotherapist may have with naturopathic physicians.

(5) A colon hydrotherapist's certification is considered inoperable when there is no registered affiliation relationship on file with the board.

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