

BOARD NOTICE 186 OF 2011**The Allied Health Professions Council of South Africa**

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UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT: USE OF INTRAVENOUS DELIVERY SYSTEM OF INJECTIONS AND DRAWING OF VENOUS BLOOD

Section 2(a) of the Allied Health Professions Act, Act 63 of 1982, read together with Chapter 3, Section 28 of Regulation 27, Government Notice R127, published on 12 February 2001, sets out the scopes of practice of practitioners of Homeopathy, Naturopathy and Phytotherapy.

In light of the existing scopes of practice for practitioners of Homeopathy, Naturopathy and Phytotherapy, the Professional Board for Homeopathy, Naturopathy and Phytotherapy has, after due consideration of all aspects relating to the matter, deemed the intravenous delivery system of injectables and the drawing of venous blood to be **unprofessional conduct** for Homeopaths, Naturopaths and Phytotherapists, due to the fact that such practices fall outside of the legal scopes of practice of Homeopaths, Naturopaths and Phytotherapists.

Should the AHPCSA become aware of any practitioner in the professions of Homeopathy, Naturopathy and Phytotherapy engaging in any of the abovementioned prohibited practices, such practitioner shall face disciplinary action in terms of Sections 23-30 of the Allied Health Professions Act 63 of 1982.

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