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To provide a policy outlining the College's requirements regarding the use of a laminar air flow hood by all members who perform Intravenous Infusion Therapy (IVIT) and compound sterile injectables for the purpose of administering drugs by intravenous injection.

Definitions	Laminar Air Flow Hood	An enclosure in which air flow is directed so as to prevent contamination of sterile materials by airborne organisms or particles.
	Member	As defined in s. 1(1) of the <i>Health Professions Procedural Code</i> means a member of the College of Naturopaths of Ontario who holds a General Certificate of Registration and has met the Standard of Practice to perform IVIT.
	Standard of practice to perform Intravenous Infusion Therapy	As defined in s 5(5) of the Controlled Acts Regulation under the <i>Naturopathy Act, 2007</i> . A member may only administer a substance by intravenous injection if he or she has successfully completed a course on administering a substance by intravenous injection that is approved by the Council and an examination on administering a substance by intravenous injection that is administered or approved by the Council, in addition to having successfully completed a course on prescribing that has been approved by the Council and an examination on prescribing that is administered or approved by the Council.
	Compounding	Reconstituting, diluting, mixing, preparing, packaging or labeling two or more prescribed substances specified in Table 5 of Ontario Regulation 168/15 or drugs designated in Table 2 of Ontario Regulation 168/15 to create a customized therapeutic product for the purposes of administration to the member's patient by intravenous infusion therapy.

Policy	General	Every member who has met the standard of practice to perform Intravenous Infusion Therapy shall use a laminar air flow hood when compounding sterile injectables for the purpose of IVIT.
Related Procedures	Training	All staff who are authorized to use the laminar air flow hood are to be trained as to its proper use to ensure aseptic technique is followed when compounding sterile injectables.
	Maintenance	The laminar air flow hood is to be cleaned and maintained regularly according to the manufacturer's recommendations.

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Logbook

Every premise shall have a logbook for staff to record the date and nature of service or maintenance on the laminar air flow hood. This logbook is to be maintained for a minimum of five years.

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