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**REGULATIONS** 

#### REGULATIONS MADE IN TERMS OF

# Allied Health Professions Act 7 of 2004

section 55

# **Regulations relating to Scope of Practice of Acupuncturist**

Government Notice 269 of 2019 (GG 6999)

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The Government Notice which publishes these regulations notes that they were made on the recommendation of the Allied Health Professions Council of Namibia.

## ARRANGEMENT OF REGULATIONS

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### **Definitions**

1. In these regulations, a word or expression defined in the Act bears that meaning and, unless the context indicates otherwise -

"acupuncturist" means a health professional who is qualified to provide acupunctural treatment to patients; and

"the Act" means the Allied Health Professions Act, 2004 (Act No. 7 of 2004).

## Scope of practice of acupuncturist

2. The following acts are regarded as acts falling within the scope of practice of an acupuncturist -

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(a)	conducting the necessary diagnostic procedures including -	
	(i)	pulse reading;
	(ii)	tongue examination;
	(iii)	temperament evaluation;
	(iv)	history taking; and
	(v)	palpation;
(b)	applying treatment plans including the treatment principles of acupuncture, methods and therapeutic choice, which includes -	
	(i)	acupuncture;
	(ii)	acupressure;
	(iii)	acupotomy treatment;
	(iv)	ahshi acupuncture;
	(v)	auricular therapy;
	(vi)	bone setting;
	(vii)	catgut embedding therapy;
	(viii)	coining or spooning therapy (Gua Sha);
	(ix)	cupping therapy (Ba Guan);
	(x)	cosmetic acupuncture;
	(xi)	electro-acupuncture;
	(xii)	embedding therapy;
	(xiii)	healthy exercise (Gong Fa);
	(xiv)	lifestyle management;
	(xv)	magnet therapy;
	(xvi)	medical acupuncture;
	(xvii)	moxibustion;
	(xviii)	needling point injection;
	(xix)	scalp acupuncture;

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- (xx) Tai Chi; and
- (xxi) Tui Na.