

10A NCAC 14E .0325 LABORATORY SERVICES

- (a) Each clinic shall have the capability to provide or obtain laboratory tests required in connection with the procedure to be performed.
- (b) The governing authority shall establish written policies requiring examination by a pathologist of all surgical specimens except for those types of specimens that the governing authority has determined do not require examination.
- (c) Each patient shall have the following performed and a record of the results placed in the patient's medical record prior to the abortion:
 - (1) pregnancy testing, except when a positive diagnosis of pregnancy has been established by ultrasound;
 - (2) anemia testing (hemoglobin or hematocrit); and
 - (3) Rh factor testing.
- (d) Patients requiring the administration of blood shall be transferred to a local hospital having blood bank facilities.
- (e) The clinic shall maintain a manual in a location accessible by employees, that includes the procedures, instructions, and manufacturer's instructions for each test procedure performed, including:
 - (1) sources of reagents, standard and calibration procedures, and quality control procedures; and
 - (2) information concerning the basis for the listed "normal" ranges.
- (f) The clinic shall perform and document, at least quarterly, calibration of equipment and validation of test results.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 143B-10; S.L. 2023-14, s. 2.4;
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