

1 10A NCAC 13D .2607 is proposed for amendment as follows:

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3 **10A NCAC 13D .2607 EMERGENCY DRUGS**

4 (a) ~~The A~~ facility shall maintain a supply of emergency drugs in compliance with ~~21 NCAC 46 .1403~~ 10A NCAC  
5 26E .0408 which is hereby incorporated by reference including subsequent amendments. ~~Copies of the rule may be~~  
6 ~~obtained from the North Carolina Board of Pharmacy, P.O. Box 459, Carrboro Plaza, Highway 54 Bypass, Carrboro,~~  
7 ~~North Carolina 27510 at a cost of eight dollars and forty eight cents (\$8.48). This rule can be accessed online at~~  
8 <http://reports.oah.state.nc.us/ncac.asp>.

9 (b) Emergency drugs shall be stored in a portable container sealed with an easily breakable closure which cannot be  
10 resealed or reused and shall be readily accessible for use.

11 (c) Emergency drug kits shall be stored in a ~~secure area~~ locked storage cabinet or room out of ~~site~~ sight of patients  
12 and the general public. If stored in a locked area the kits shall be ~~immediately~~ accessible to all licensed nursing  
13 personnel.

14 (d) All emergency drugs and quantity to be maintained shall be approved by the Quality Assurance ~~Committee.~~  
15 Committee as defined in 10A NCAC 13D .2212.

16 (e) If emergency drug items require refrigerated storage, they shall be stored in a separate sealed container within  
17 the medication refrigerator. The container shall be labeled to indicate the emergency status of the enclosed drug and  
18 sealed as indicated in Paragraph (b) of this Rule.

19 (f) An accurate inventory of emergency drugs and supplies shall be maintained with each emergency drug kit.

20 (g) ~~The pharmacist~~ A facility shall ~~personally~~ examine the refrigerated and non-refrigerated emergency drug supply  
21 at least every 90 days and make any necessary changes at that time.

22 (h) The facility shall have written policies and procedures which are enforced to ensure that in the event the sealed  
23 emergency drug container is opened and contents utilized, ~~immediate~~ steps are taken to replace the items used.

24 (i) The availability of a controlled substance in an emergency kit shall be in compliance with the North Carolina  
25 Controlled Substances Act and Regulations (10A NCAC 26E) which is hereby incorporated by reference including  
26 subsequent amendments. ~~Copies of the rules may be obtained from the Drug Regulatory Branch, Division of Mental~~  
27 ~~Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Abuse Services, 3016 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699~~  
28 ~~3016 at a cost of thirteen dollars (\$13.00). These rules can be accessed online at~~  
29 <http://reports.oah.state.nc.us/ncac.asp>.

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32 *RRC objection due to lack of statutory authority Eff. July 13, 1995;*  
33 *Eff. January 1, ~~1996~~; 1996;*  
34 *Amended Eff. June 1, 2012.*