

1 10A NCAC 13C .0205 is proposed for amendment as follows:

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3 **10A NCAC 13C .0205 ITEMIZED CHARGES**

4 (a) The facility shall either present an itemized list of charges to all discharged patients or the facility shall include
5 on patients' bills which are not itemized notification of the right to request an itemized bill within ~~30 days~~ three years
6 of receipt of the non-itemized ~~bill~~ bill or so long as the facility, collections agency, or other assignee asserts the patient
7 has an obligation to pay the bill.

8 (b) If requested, the facility shall present an itemized list of charges to each ~~patient, patient~~ patient or his or her representative.
9 ~~responsible party.~~ This list shall detail in language comprehensible to an ordinary layperson the specific nature of the
10 charges or expenses incurred by the patient.

11 (c) The listing shall ~~include, at a minimum, those charges incurred in the following service areas:~~ include each
12 specific chargeable item or service in the following service areas:

- 13 (1) Surgery (facility fee);
14 (2) Anesthesiology;
15 (3) Pharmacy;
16 (4) Laboratory;
17 (5) Radiology;
18 (6) Prosthetic and Orthopedic appliances; and
19 (7) Other professional services.

20 (d) The facility shall indicate on the initial or renewal license application that patient bills are itemized, or that each
21 patient or ~~responsible party~~ his or her representative is formally advised of the patient's right to request an itemized
22 listing within ~~30 days~~ three years of receipt of a non-itemized bill.

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24 *History Note:* Authority G.S. 131E-91; G.S. 131E-147.1; S.L. 2013-382(s.13.1);

25 Eff. December 1, 1991; 1991;

26 Temporary Amendment Eff. May 1, 2014;

27 Amended Eff. Nov. 1, 2014.

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