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10A NCAC 13F .1802 is proposed for adoption as follows:

3 10A NCAC 13F.1802 REPORTING AND NOTIFICATION OF A SUSPECTED OR CONFIRMED 4 COMMUNICABLE DISEASE OUTBREAK

5 (a) The facility shall report suspected or confirmed communicable diseases and conditions within the time period and

6 in the manner determined by the Commission for Public Health as specified in 10A NCAC 41A .0101 and 10A NCAC

7 <u>41A .0102(a)(1) through (a)(3)</u>, which are hereby incorporated by reference, including subsequent amendments.

8 (b) The facility shall inform the residents and their representative(s) and staff within 24 hours following confirmation

9 by the local health department of a communicable disease outbreak. The facility, in its notification to residents and

10 <u>their representative(s), shall:</u>

11	(1)	not disclose any	personally	v identifiable	information	of the resident	<u>s or staff;</u>
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- (2) provide information on the measures the facility is taking to prevent or reduce the risk of
 transmission, including whether normal operations of the facility will change;
- 14 (3) provide weekly updates until the communicable illness within the facility has resolved, as
 15 determined by the local health department; and
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 (4) provide education to the resident(s) concerning measures they can take to reduce the risk of spread

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 or transmission of infection.

19 *History Note:* Authority G.S. 131D-2.16; 131D-4.4B; 131D-4.5; 143B-165;

- 20 *Emergency Adoption Eff. October 23, 2020;*
- 21 Temporary Adoption Eff. December 30, 2020: 2020;
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