(a) The director of pharmacy shall require that all drugs and related pharmaceutical supplies be stored in a lockable environment except when under the direct supervision of personnel authorized by the pharmacy committee to handle drugs.

(b) Controlled substances and other drugs the facility deems subject to abuse shall be stored as outlined in the U.S. Controlled Substance Act, 21 CFR 1301.41 and the N.C. Controlled Substances Act, G.S. 90, Article 5. These rules are available from the N.C. Drug Control Unit of the N.C. Division of Mental Health, Development Disabilities & Substance Abuse Services, 3008 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-3008 (919-733-1765) without charge to current registrants.

(c) All keys and other locking devices to the pharmacy and controlled substances throughout the facility shall be under the control of the director of pharmacy and the facility management.

**History Note:**

Authority G.S. 131E-79;
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