10A NCAC 13B .4106 is proposed for readoption without substantive changes as follows:

**10A NCAC 13B .4106  POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

Each emergency department shall establish written policies and procedures which specify the scope and conduct of patient care to be provided in the emergency areas. They shall include the following:

1. the location, storage, and procurement of medications, blood, supplies, equipment and the procedures to be followed in the event of equipment failure;
2. the initial management of patients with burns, hand injuries, head injuries, fractures, multiple injuries, poisoning, animal bites, gunshot or stab wounds, and other acute problems;
3. the provision of care to an unemancipated minor not accompanied by a parent or guardian, or to an unaccompanied unconscious patient;
4. management of alleged or suspected child elder, or adult abuse;
5. the management of pediatric emergencies;
6. the initial management of patients with actual or suspected exposure to radiation;
7. management of alleged or suspected rape victims;
8. the reporting of individuals dead on arrival to the proper authorities;
9. the use of standing orders;
10. tetanus and rabies prevention or prophylaxis; and
11. the dispensing of medications in accordance with state and federal laws.

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