

1 10A NCAC 13P .1401 is proposed for readoption with substantive changes as follows:

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3 **10A NCAC 13P .1401 CHEMICAL ADDICTION OR ABUSE TREATMENT PROGRAM**
4 **REQUIREMENTS**

5 (a) The OEMS shall provide a treatment program for aiding in the recovery and rehabilitation of EMS personnel
6 subject to disciplinary action for being unable to perform as credentialed EMS personnel with reasonable skill and
7 safety to patients and the public by reason of use of alcohol, drugs, chemicals, or any other type of ~~material and who~~
8 ~~are recommended by the EMS Disciplinary Committee pursuant to G.S. 143-519.~~ material as set forth in Rule .1507
9 of this Subchapter.

10 (b) This program requires:

- 11 (1) an initial assessment by a healthcare professional specialized in chemical dependency ~~affiliated~~
12 ~~with~~ approved by the treatment program;
- 13 (2) a treatment plan developed by the healthcare professional described in Subparagraph (b)(1) of this
14 Rule for the individual using the findings of the initial assessment;
- 15 (3) random body fluid ~~screenings;~~ screenings using a standardized methodology designed by OEMS
16 program staff to ensure reliability in verifying compliance with program standards;
- 17 (4) the individual attend three self-help recovery meetings each week for the first year of
18 participation, and two each week for the remainder of participation in the treatment program;
- 19 (5) monitoring by OEMS program staff of the individual for compliance with the treatment program;
20 and
- 21 (6) written progress ~~reports~~ reports, including detailed information on the individual's progress and
22 compliance with program criteria as set forth in this Rule, shall be made available for review by
23 ~~the EMS Disciplinary Committee;~~ upon request of OEMS program staff:
- 24 (A) upon completion of the initial assessment by the treatment program;
- 25 (B) upon request by the ~~EMS Disciplinary Committee~~ OEMS program staff throughout the
26 individual's participation in the treatment program;
- 27 (C) upon completion of the treatment program;
- 28 (D) of all body fluid screenings showing chain of custody;
- 29 (E) by the therapist or counselor assigned to the individual during the course of the treatment
30 program; and
- 31 (F) listing attendance at self-help recovery meetings.

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33 *History Note:* Authority G.S. 131E-159(f); 143-508(d)(10); ~~143-509(13); 143-519;~~
34 Eff. October 1, 2010; 2010;
35 Readopted Eff. January 1, 2017.