

10A NCAC 14E .0326 EMERGENCY BACK-UP SERVICES

- (a) Each clinic shall have a written plan for the transfer of emergency cases from the clinic to a nearby hospital when hospitalization becomes necessary.
- (b) The clinic shall have procedures, personnel, and suitable equipment to handle medical emergencies which may arise in connection with services provided by the clinic.
- (c) The clinic shall have a written agreement between the clinic and a hospital to facilitate the transfer of patients who are in need of emergency care. A clinic that has documentation of its efforts to establish such a transfer agreement with a hospital that provides emergency services and has been unable to secure such an agreement shall be considered to be in compliance with this Rule.
- (d) The clinic shall provide intervention for emergency situations. These provisions shall include:
 - (1) basic cardio-pulmonary life support;
 - (2) emergency protocols for:
 - (A) administration of intravenous fluids;
 - (B) establishing and maintaining airway support;
 - (C) oxygen administration;
 - (D) utilizing a bag-valve-mask resuscitator with oxygen reservoir;
 - (E) utilizing a suction machine; and
 - (F) utilizing an automated external defibrillator;
 - (3) emergency lighting available in the procedure room as set forth in Rule .0212 of this Subchapter; and
 - (4) ultrasound equipment.

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