

1 10A NCAC 13S .0320 is proposed for adoption as follows:

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3 **10A NCAC 13S .0320 ADMISSION AND DISCHARGE**

4 (a) There shall be on the premises throughout all hours of operation an employee authorized to receive patients and
5 make administrative decisions regarding patients.

6 (b) All patients shall be admitted only under the care of a physician who is currently licensed to practice medicine in
7 North Carolina.

8 (c) Any patient not discharged within 12 hours following the abortion procedure shall be transferred to a hospital
9 licensed pursuant to Chapter 131E, Article 5 of the General Statutes.

10 (d) Following admission and prior to obtaining the consent for the procedure, representatives of the clinic's
11 management shall provide to each patient the following information:

12 (1) a fee schedule and any extra charges routinely applied;

13 (2) the name of the attending physician or physicians and hospital admitting privileges, if any. In the
14 absence of admitting privileges a statement to that effect shall be included;

15 (3) instructions for post-procedure problems and questions as outlined in Rule .0329(d) of this Section;

16 (4) grievance procedures a patient may follow if dissatisfied with the care and services rendered; and

17 (5) the telephone number for Complaint Intake of the Division.

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19 *History Note: Authority G.S. 131E-153; 131E-153.5; 143B-165.*

20 *Codifier determined that findings of need did not meet criteria for emergency rule on October 30,*
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