

1 10A NCAC 13S .0320 is adopted with changes as published in 38:24 NCR 1617-1623 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. Administrative decisions include all of the decisions related to a
6 patient's care and services, such as admissions, billing, and services provided.

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

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

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

- 13 (1) a fee schedule and any extra charges routinely applied;
- 14 (2) the name of the attending physician or physicians and hospital admitting privileges, if any. In the
15 absence of admitting privileges a statement documenting that the attending physician or physicians
16 does not have admitting privileges to that effect shall be included;
- 17 (3) instructions for post-procedure problems and questions as outlined in Rule .0329(d) of this Section;
- 18 (4) grievance procedures a patient may follow if dissatisfied with the care and services rendered
19 pursuant to the grievance policy as outlined in .0318(d)(3) of this Section; and
- 20 (5) the telephone number for Complaint Intake of the Division.

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

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