

1 21 NCAC 46 .2403 is proposed for amendment as follows:

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3 **21 NCAC 46 .2403 DRUGS AND DEVICES TO BE DISPENSED**

4 (a) Pursuant to the provisions of G.S. 90-85.34A(a)(3), prescription drugs and devices included in the following
5 general categories may be dispensed by registered nurses in local health department clinics when prescribed for the
6 indicated conditions:

7 (1) Anti-tuberculosis drugs, as recommended by the North Carolina Department of Health and Human
8 Services in the North Carolina Tuberculosis Policy Manual (available at www.ncdhhs.gov), when
9 used for the treatment and control of tuberculosis;

10 (2) Anti-infective agents used in the control of sexually-transmitted diseases as recommended by the
11 United States Centers for Disease Control in the Sexually Transmitted Diseases Treatment
12 Guidelines (available at www.cdc.gov);

13 (3) Natural or synthetic hormones and contraceptive devices when used for the prevention of pregnancy;

14 (4) Topical preparations for the treatment of lice, scabies, impetigo, diaper rash, vaginitis, and related
15 skin conditions;

16 (5) Vitamin and mineral supplements;

17 (6) Opioid antagonists prescribed pursuant to G.S. 90-12.7; ~~and~~

18 (7) Epinephrine auto-injectors prescribed pursuant to G.S. 115C-375.2A; ~~and 115C-375.2A~~.

19 (8) Over-the-counter nicotine replacement therapies.

20 (b) Regardless of the provisions set out in this Rule, no drug defined as a controlled substance by the United States
21 Controlled Substances Act, 21 U.S. Code 801 through 904, or regulations enacted pursuant to that Act, 21 CFR 1300
22 through 1308, or by the North Carolina Controlled Substances Act, G.S. 90-86 through 90-113.8, may be dispensed
23 by registered nurses pursuant to G.S. 90-85.34A.

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25 *History Note: Authority G.S. 90-12.7; 90-85.6; 90-85.34A; 115C-375.2A.*