10A NCAC 26E .0306 SUPPLYING OF METHADONE IN TREATMENT PROGRAMS BY RN

(a) Methadone or other medications approved for use in narcotic addiction treatment by the Food and Drug Administration, and under the North Carolina Controlled Substances Act, may be supplied to a bona fide patient of a methadone treatment program.

(b) Methadone may be supplied by either a registered nurse or a licensed practical nurse employed by that program, provided the methadone is supplied pursuant to the order of the program's medical director, who is a licensed physician registered with the Federal Drug Enforcement Administration to dispense controlled substances in the applicable schedule.

(c) The program's medical director shall countersign or sign in the medical record of the program all orders for methadone or other medications approved for use in narcotic addiction treatment by the Food and Drug Administration and under the North Carolina Controlled Substances Act within 72 hours of the initiation of the order.(d) For purposes of this Rule, supplying shall not include prescribing or compounding.

History Note: Authority G.S. 90-100; 143B-147(a)(5); Eff. June 30, 1978; Amended Eff. May 1, 1990; Amended Eff. August 1, 2002; Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. February 2, 2016.