10A NCAC 41A .0208 CONTROL MEASURES -- SMALLPOX; VACCINIA DISEASE

(a) Guidelines and recommended actions for prevention of the spread of smallpox and for prevention of the spread of vaccinia published by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) shall supercede those contained in the control of Communicable Disease Manual and are incorporated by reference, including subsequent amendments and editions. Copies of CDC guidelines contained in the Morbidity and Mortality weekly reports may be purchased from the Superintendent of Documents, US Government Printing Office, Washington DC 20402 for a total cost of three dollars and fifty cents (\$3.50) each.

(b) The attending physician of a person vaccinated against smallpox shall report to the local health department the existence of any of the following:

- (1) autoinnoculation;
- (2) generalized vaccinia;
- (3) eczema vaccinatum;
- (4) progressive vaccinia; and
- (5) post vaccination encephalitis.

The attending physician shall make the report to the local health department within 24 hours. The local health department shall notify the Division of Public Health within 24 hours.

(c) The physician responsible for vaccinating a person against smallpox and the physician diagnosing a person with vaccinia disease shall instruct the patient to follow CDC guidelines for the prevention of the spread of vaccinia adopted by reference in Paragraph (a) of this Rule. The patient shall follow these guidelines.

(d) The State Health Director or a local health director may use isolation authority pursuant to G.S. 130A-145 when necessary to prevent the spread of smallpox or vaccinia virus.

History Note: Authority G.S. 130A-144;

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