

10A NCAC 48B .0302 BENCHMARK 5

(a) Benchmark: The local health department shall establish and maintain a system to receive and provide health alerts and public health response for health care providers, emergency responders, and communities on a 24-hour-a-day, 7-day-a-week basis.

(b) Activities:

- (1) The local health department shall have a system in place to receive reports of communicable diseases or other public health threats on a 24-hour-a-day, 7-day-a-week basis.
- (2) The local health department shall use two or more methods to disseminate health alerts and other advisories on real or potential disease threats, as they occur, to the local medical community, including pharmacists and veterinarians.
- (3) The local health department shall provide health alerts or advisories to the news media to inform the public when disease outbreaks or other potential public health threats occur.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 130A-34.1;
Temporary Adoption Eff. January 1, 2006;
Eff. October 1, 2006;
Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. January 5, 2016.*