

**SECTION .1700 - DRUGS DISPENSED BY NURSE OR PHYSICIAN'S ASSISTANT**

**21 NCAC 46 .1701        DISPENSING BY REGISTERED NURSE OR PHYSICIAN'S ASSISTANT**

**21 NCAC 46 .1702        DISPENSING SUPERVISED BY LICENSED PHARMACIST**

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**21 NCAC 46 .1703        DRUGS TO BE DISPENSED**

- (a) The nurse practitioner may dispense any and all drugs that the nurse practitioner is authorized by law to prescribe.
- (b) The physician assistant may dispense any and all drugs that the physician assistant is authorized by law to prescribe.
- (c) The pharmacist shall prepare a plan to ensure that there are adequate amounts of each of the drugs dispensed by a nurse practitioner or physician assistant, and that such drugs are properly stored and packaged.
- (d) All drugs dispensed by a nurse practitioner or physician assistant must be dispensed from a place holding a current pharmacy permit from the Board as required by G.S. 90-85.21.
- (e) The consulting pharmacist shall be available for consultation in person, by telephone, or other means of direct communication at all times when drugs are dispensed.
- (f) All drugs dispensed by the nurse practitioner or physician assistant shall be prepackaged in safety closure containers and shall be appropriately pre-labeled (including necessary auxiliary labels) by the pharmacist with all information required by law except the name of the patient and the directions for use. The name of the patient and directions for use of the drugs shall be placed on the label by the nurse practitioner or physician assistant at the time it is delivered to the patient or his agent.

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**21 NCAC 46 .1704        PREPACKAGING OF DRUGS DISPENSED**  
**21 NCAC 46 .1705        RECORDS OF DISPENSING**

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**21 NCAC 46 .1706        RETROSPECTIVE REVIEW AND CONSULTATION**

All drugs dispensed by a nurse practitioner or physician assistant shall be retrospectively reviewed by a pharmacist on a weekly basis. The reviewing pharmacist may advise and consult with the dispensing nurse practitioner, physician assistant, or supervising physician about potential drug therapy concerns which may result from:

- (1) therapeutic duplication;
- (2) drug-disease contraindication;
- (3) interactions between or among drugs, including serious interactions with prescription or over-the-counter drugs;
- (4) incorrect drug dosage or duration of drug treatment;
- (5) interactions between drugs and allergies; and
- (6) clinical abuse or misuse.

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