

**10A NCAC 13B .4109 TRANSFER**

- (a) The facility shall establish and implement protocols for stabilization and transportation of emergency patients.
- (b) A facility with specialized capabilities, such as burn units, shock-trauma units and neonatal intensive care units, shall not refuse to accept an appropriate transfer for those services if the hospital has the capacity to treat the individual.
- (c) The facility shall not transfer a patient until the receiving organization has consented to accept the patient and the patient is sufficiently stable for transport.
- (d) If the patient or the person acting on the patient's behalf refuses transfer, the facility staff shall:
  - (1) explain to the individual or his representative the risks and benefits of transfer; and
  - (2) shall request the patient's or his representative's refusal of transfer in writing.
- (e) The facility shall forward at the time of transfer a copy of all medical records related to the emergency condition for which the individual has presented.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 131E-79;  
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Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. July 22, 2017.*