

**10A NCAC 26D .1204 PROTECTIVE DEVICES**

Whenever protective devices are used for any client, the Chief of Psychiatry shall:

- (1) ensure that the:
  - (a) necessity for the protective device has been assessed and approved by a mental health professional;
  - (b) device is applied by a person who has been trained in the use of protective devices;
  - (c) client who is using protective devices which limits his or her freedom of movement is observed every two hours; and
  - (d) client is given the opportunity for toileting and exercising as needed.
- (2) document the use of protective devices in the client's medical record.

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