

10A NCAC 13J .1106 MEDICAL SOCIAL WORK SERVICES

If an agency provides medical social work services, such services shall be provided by or under the supervision of a medical social worker and in accordance with the client's plan of care and shall include the following:

- (1) assisting the physician and other members of the health team in understanding the significant social and emotional factors related to the client's health problems;
- (2) assessing social and emotional factors in order to estimate the client's capacity and potential to cope with problems of daily living;
- (3) helping the client and family to understand, accept, and follow medical recommendations and provision of services planned to restore the client to optimum social and health adjustment within their capacity;
- (4) assisting the client and family with personal and environmental difficulties which predispose toward illness or interfere with the client obtaining maximum benefits from medical care; and
- (5) assisting the client and family in the utilization of appropriate community resources.

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