

10A NCAC 13J .1302 ORDERS

(a) Orders for pharmaceuticals and medical treatments, or orders for in-home aide services when orders for in-home aide services are required, shall be signed by the physician or other person authorized by State law to prescribe such treatments and the original incorporated in the client's service records. Care may commence in the interim with a verbal order.

(b) Verbal orders for the administration of pharmacological agents and other medical treatment interventions shall be given to a licensed nurse, or other person authorized by state law to receive such orders. The order once recorded shall include the date and signature of the person receiving the order, shall be recorded in the client record, and shall be countersigned by the physician or other person authorized by State law to prescribe.

(c) Verbal orders for allied health services personnel, other than nursing or other than in-home aide services, shall be given to either a licensed nurse or the appropriate health professional. The order once recorded shall include the date and signature of the person receiving the order, shall be recorded in the client record and shall be countersigned by the physician or other person authorized by State law to prescribe.

(d) The home care agency shall develop and implement written policies and procedures for obtaining countersignatures on verbal orders within 60 days of the date of the verbal order.

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