

SECTION .3600 - OUTPATIENT OPIOID TREATMENT

10A NCAC 27G .3601 SCOPE

- (a) An outpatient opioid treatment facility provides periodic services designed to offer the individual an opportunity to effect constructive changes in his lifestyle by using methadone or other medications approved for use in opioid treatment in conjunction with the provision of rehabilitation and medical services.
- (b) Methadone and other medications approved for use in opioid treatment are also tools in the detoxification and rehabilitation process of an opioid dependent individual.
- (c) For the purpose of detoxification, methadone and other medications approved for use in opioid treatment shall be administered in decreasing doses for a period not to exceed 180 days.
- (d) For individuals with a history of being physiologically addicted to an opioid drug for at least one year before admission to the service, methadone and other medications approved for use in opioid treatment may also be used in maintenance treatment. In these cases, methadone and other medications approved for use in opioid treatment may be administered or dispensed in excess of 180 days and shall be administered in stable and clinically established dosage levels.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 122C-26; 143B-147; 21 C.F.R. Part 1300; 42 C.F.R. Part 8; Eff. May 1, 1996;
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