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SUBCHAPTER 48A - LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT ACCREDITATION -ADMINISTRATION	SECTION .0100 - GENERAL PROVISIONS	10A NCAC 48A .0101	PURPOSE	Eff. October 1, 2006	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
		10A NCAC 48A .0102	DEFINITIONS	Eff. October 1, 2006	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
	SECTION .0200 - ACCREDITATION PROCESS	10A NCAC 48A .0201	SELF-ASSESSMENT	Eff. October 1, 2006	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		Yes	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
		10A NCAC 48A .0202	SITE VISIT	Eff. October 1, 2006	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
		10A NCAC 48A .0203	BOARD ACTION	Eff. October 1, 2006	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
		10A NCAC 48A .0204	INFORMAL REVIEW PROCEDURES	Eff. October 1, 2006	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
		10A NCAC 48A .0205	RE-ACCREDITATION	Eff. October 1, 2006	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
SUBCHAPTER 48B - LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT ACCREDITATION STANDARDS	SECTION .0100 - GENERAL PROVISIONS	10A NCAC 48B .0101	PURPOSE	Eff. October 1, 2006	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
		10A NCAC 48B .0102	DEFINITIONS	Eff. October 1, 2006.	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
		10A NCAC 48B .0103	ACCREDITATION REQUIREMENTS	Amended Eff. February 1, 2013.	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
	SECTION .0200 - MONITOR HEALTH STATUS	10A NCAC 48B .0201	BENCHMARK 1	Eff. October 1, 2006.	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
		10A NCAC 48B .0202	BENCHMARK 2	Eff. October 1, 2006.	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
		10A NCAC 48B .0203	BENCHMARK 3	Eff. October 1, 2006.	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
	SECTION .0300 - DIAGNOSE AND INVESTIGATE HEALTH PROBLEMS AND HEALTH HAZARDS IN THE COMMUNITY	10A NCAC 48B .0301	BENCHMARK 4	Eff. October 1, 2006.	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
		10A NCAC 48B .0302	BENCHMARK 5	Eff. October 1, 2006.	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
		10A NCAC 48B .0303	BENCHMARK 6	Eff. October 1, 2006.	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
		10A NCAC 48B .0304	BENCHMARK 7	Eff. October 1, 2006.	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note

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		10A NCAC 48B .0305	BENCHMARK 8	Eff. October 1, 2006	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
	SECTION .0400 - INFORM, EDUCATE, AND EMPOWER PEOPLE ABOUT HEALTH ISSUES	10A NCAC 48B .0401	BENCHMARK 9	Eff. October 1, 2006	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
		10A NCAC 48B .0402	BENCHMARK 10	Eff. October 1, 2006	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
	SECTION .0500 - MOBILIZE COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS TO IDENTIFY AND SOLVE HEALTH PROBLEMS	10A NCAC 48B .0501	BENCHMARK 11	Eff. October 1, 2006	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
		10A NCAC 48B .0502	BENCHMARK 12	Eff. October 1, 2006	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
		10A NCAC 48B .0503	BENCHMARK 13	Eff. October 1, 2006	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
	SECTION .0600 - DEVELOP POLICIES AND PLANS THAT SUPPORT INDIVIDUAL AND COMMUNITY HEALTH EFFORTS	10A NCAC 48B .0601	BENCHMARK 14	Eff. October 1, 2006	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
		10A NCAC 48B .0602	BENCHMARK 15	Eff. October 1, 2006	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
	SECTION .0700 - ENFORCE LAWS AND REGULATIONS THAT PROTECT HEALTH AND ENSURE SAFETY	10A NCAC 48B .0701	BENCHMARK 16	Eff. October 1, 2006	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
		10A NCAC 48B .0702	BENCHMARK 17	Eff. October 1, 2006	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
		10A NCAC 48B .0703	BENCHMARK 18	Eff. October 1, 2006	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
	SECTION .0800 - LINK PEOPLE TO NEEDED PERSONAL HEALTH SERVICES TO ASSURE THE PROVISION OF HEALTH CARE WHEN OTHERWISE UNAVAILABLE	10A NCAC 48B .0801	BENCHMARK 19	Eff. October 1, 2006	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
		10A NCAC 48B .0802	BENCHMARK 20	Eff. October 1, 2006.	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
		10A NCAC 48B .0803	BENCHMARK 21	Eff. October 1, 2006.	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
		10A NCAC 48B .0804	BENCHMARK 22	Eff. October 1, 2006.	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note

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	SECTION .0900 - ASSURE A COMPETENT PUBLIC HEALTH WORKFORCE AND PERSONAL HEALTH WORKFORCE	10A NCAC 48B .0901	BENCHMARK 23	Eff. October 1, 2006.	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
		10A NCAC 48B .0902	BENCHMARK 24	Eff. October 1, 2006.	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
		10A NCAC 48B .0903	BENCHMARK 25	Eff. October 1, 2006.	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
		10A NCAC 48B .0904	BENCHMARK 26	Eff. October 1, 2006.	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
	SECTION .1000 - EVALUATE EFFECTIVENESS, ACCESSIBILITY AND QUALITY OF PERSONAL AND POPULATION-BASED HEALTH SERVICES	10A NCAC 48B .1001	BENCHMARK 27	Eff. October 1, 2006.	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
	SECTION .1100 - RESEARCH FOR NEW INSIGHTS AND INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS TO HEALTH PROBLEMS	10A NCAC 48B .1101	BENCHMARK 28	Eff. October 1, 2006.	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
		10A NCAC 48B .1102	BENCHMARK 29	Eff. October 1, 2006.	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
	SECTION .1200 - PROVIDE FACILITIES AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	10A NCAC 48B .1201	BENCHMARK 30	Eff. October 1, 2006.	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
		10A NCAC 48B .1202	BENCHMARK 31	Eff. October 1, 2006.	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
		10A NCAC 48B .1203	BENCHMARK 32	Eff. October 1, 2006.	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
		10A NCAC 48B .1204	BENCHMARK 33	Eff. October 1, 2006.	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
	SECTION .1300 - GOVERNANCE	10A NCAC 48B .1301	BENCHMARK 34	Eff. October 1, 2006.	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
		10A NCAC 48B .1302	BENCHMARK 35	Eff. October 1, 2006.	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
		10A NCAC 48B .1303	BENCHMARK 36	Eff. October 1, 2006.	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
		10A NCAC 48B .1304	BENCHMARK 37	Eff. October 1, 2006.	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note

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		10A NCAC 48B .1305	BENCHMARK 38	Eff. October 1, 2006.	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
		10A NCAC 48B .1306	BENCHMARK 39	Eff. October 1, 2006.	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
		10A NCAC 48B .1307	BENCHMARK 40	Eff. October 1, 2006.	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note
		10A NCAC 48B .1308	BENCHMARK 41	Eff. October 1, 2006.	Necessary without substantive public interest	No		No	Necessary without substantive public interest	No comments with merit	Necessary without substantive public interest and should remain in effect without further action	Keep in Code - Update History Note

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Commission for Public Health	10A NCAC 48A .0201	SELF-ASSESSMENT	Public Coment as defined in G.S. 150B-21.3A(a)(5)	<p>This is a comment for: 10A NCAC 48A .0201 SELF-ASSESSMENT</p> <p>It is a comment of type: Public</p> <p>Commentor: , ,</p> <p>Comment: Submitting the self assessment checklist should be the extend of the requirement.</p> <p>Submitting linked electronic files within the Health Department Self- Assessment document to be sent 6 months or even 1 month prior to the site visit only benefits the site visit team and this at least 80 hour task has not value to the local public health agency. The accreditation process is to make improvement for local health departments and not create inefficiencies.</p>	<p>The rule was implemented this with support from the local health directors as a way to streamline the site visit process and save travel funds. The rule itself does not require submitting linked electronic files, only the completed self-assessment.</p>

## SECTION .0200 - MONITOR HEALTH STATUS

### 10A NCAC 48B .0201 BENCHMARK 1

(a) Benchmark: A local health department shall conduct and disseminate results of regular community health assessments:

(b) Activities:

- (1) The local health department shall conduct a comprehensive community health assessment every 48 months. The community health assessment must fulfill each of the following requirements:
  - (A) Provide evidence of community collaboration in planning and conducting the assessment
  - (B) Reflect the demographic profile of the population
  - (C) Describe socioeconomic, educational and environmental factors that affect health
  - (D) Assemble and analyze secondary data (collected by someone other than the health department) to describe the health status of the community
  - (E) Collect and analyze primary data (collected by the health department) to describe the health status of the community
  - (F) Compile and analyze trend data to describe changes in community health status and in factors affecting health
  - (G) Use scientific methods for collecting and analyzing data
  - (H) Identify population groups at risk for health problems
  - (I) Identify existing and needed health resources
  - (J) Compare selected local data with data from other jurisdictions (e.g., local to state, local to local)
  - (K) Identify leading community health problems
- (2) The local health department shall update the community health assessment with an interim "State of the County's Health" report (or equivalent) annually. The report shall demonstrate that the local health department is tracking priority issues identified in the community health assessment, identifying emerging issues, and shall identify any new initiatives.
- (3) The local health department shall disseminate results of the most recent community health assessment and "State of the County's Health" report to individuals and groups that participated in the community health assessment process, community partners and the general population.

*History Note:* Authority G.S. 130A-34.1;  
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