

1 21 NCAC 32Y .0101 is proposed to be amended as follows:  
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3 **21 NCAC 32Y .0101 REPORTING CRITERIA**

4 (a) The Department of Health and Human Services ("Department") may report to the North Carolina Medical Board  
5 ("Board") information regarding the prescribing practices of those physicians and physician assistants  
6 ("prescribers") whose prescribing:

7 (1) falls within the top ~~one~~ two percent of those prescribing 100 morphine milligrams ~~of morphine~~  
8 equivalents ("MME") per patient per day; or

9 (2) falls within the top ~~one~~ two percent of those prescribing 100 MME's per patient per day in  
10 combination with any benzodiazepine and who are within the top one percent of all controlled  
11 substance prescribers by volume.

12 (b) In addition, the Department may report to the Board information regarding prescribers who have had two or  
13 more patient deaths in the preceding twelve months due to opioid ~~poisoning~~ poisoning where the prescribers  
14 authorized more than 30 tablets of an opioid to the decedent and the prescriptions were written within 60 days of the  
15 patient deaths.

16 (c) The Department may submit these reports to the Board upon request and may include the information described  
17 in G.S. 90-113.73(b).

18 (d) The reports and communications between the Department and the Board shall remain confidential pursuant to  
19 G.S. 90-16 and G.S. 90-113.74.

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21 *History Note: Authority G.S. 90-113.74;*

22 *Eff. May 1, 2015.*  
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