

**10A NCAC 26D .1204 PROTECTIVE DEVICES**

Whenever protective devices are utilized for any client, the Mental Health Program Director shall:

- (1) ensure that the:
  - (a) necessity for the protective device has been assessed and approved by a mental health professional;
  - (b) device shall be applied by a person who has been trained in the utilization of protective devices;
  - (c) client, using protective devices which limits his freedom of movement, is observed every two hours; and
  - (d) client is given the opportunity for toileting and exercising.
- (2) document the utilization of protective devices in the client's medical record.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 148-19(d);  
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