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MEMORANDUM

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TO: Adult Care/Family Care Administrators

FROM: Barbara Ryan, Chief

RE: CLIA and Public Health Requirements

Last week we sent information addressing infection control and CMS directives to assist in you in your infection control efforts. This week I am enclosing information regarding the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments (CLIA) and how to apply for a waived certificate. Additionally, we are providing information regarding infection prevention as specified in General Statute 10A NCAC 41A. 0206.

Please note that both the statutory requirements as well as the waived CLIA certificate apply to adult care homes if you perform any invasive procedure including the use of needles to puncture skin (i.e. finger sticks).

Here are the relevant links for the Acute and Home Care Licensure Section which is responsible for the CLIA program:

Acute and Home Care Licensure and Certification Section: <http://www.ncdhhs.gov/dhsr/ahc/cliaindex.html>

Frequently Asked Questions: <http://www.ncdhhs.gov/dhsr/ahc/cliacifaq.html>

Fee Schedule: <http://www.ncdhhs.gov/dhsr/ahc/cliaciffee.html>

CLIA Waiver Application:

http://www.cms.gov/CLIA/08_Certificate_of_%20Waiver_Laboratory_Project.asp#TopOfPage

Please contact Acute and Home Care CLIA staff (919/855-4620) for any questions you may have. These individuals will direct you to the appropriate person.

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The Division of Public Health has also requested we provide you the rule requirements regarding infection control at 10A NCAC 41A. 0206 as specified at Chapter 41 Epidemiology Health. This rule applies if you do any invasive procedures including the use of needles in you facility. The text of the rule is attached to this memo for your reference.

Information regarding the training is available at <http://www.unc.edu/depts/spice/0206Rule.html>
Training for long term care providers: <http://fridaycenter.unc.edu/pdep/iclong/index.htm>

Please review this information. If our office can be of assistance, please call us at 919/855-3765 and ask to speak to me.