

2019 STATEWIDE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING MIDYEAR CALL MAY 30, 2019



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ANA Call for Participation

<https://www.nursingworld.org/practice-policy/call-for-participation/>

Quick Public Health Nursing Survey – Closes May 31, 2019

The American Nurses' Association's workgroup revising the 2013 *Public Health Nursing: Scope and Standards of Practice, Second Edition*, has developed an anonymous and voluntary survey to inform its development work. The survey takes less than 7 minutes to complete, is not for the purposes of research, and can be accessed by [clicking this link](#).

Awards & Scholarships

<https://ncpha.memberclicks.net/nursing>



*Time to Nominate for the 100 Distinguished
Public Health Nurses
in NC Award*

Nominations will close June 30!

1. Read Nomination Tips:

<https://publichealth.nc.gov/lhd/docs/100-Distinguished-PHNs-TipsforNominations-04062019.pdf>

2. Read Nomination Questions:

<https://publichealth.nc.gov/lhd/docs/100-Distinguished-PHNs-NominationQuestions-04062019.pdf>

3. Follow Link to Online Nomination Form:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2019DistinguishedPHNs>

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[Joy F. Reed Leadership Scholarship Application](#)

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[Nursing Section Manual of Procedures](#)

[Direct Service Award](#)

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[Dolan Award Form](#)



NC PHA Fall Educational Conference – Grandover Resort, Sept 25-27

Presentations

- History of PH Nursing in NC – early 1900s
- Benefits of Seasonal Influenza Vaccine - GSK
- CPH certification/exam
- Chief PHN update - *News from the Office of Public Health Nursing*
- Special 1:1 session with the Keynote, Dr. Lisa Campbell, PHN
- PHN Leadership and Innovation – NC LHD PHNs

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Presenters and Agenda



- Phyllis Rocco, MPH, BSN, RN, Chief PHN
 - Disaster Sheltering
 - ERRN practice
 - Medicaid Transformation
 - NC PHN Recruitment & Retention Study



- Virginia Niehaus, JD, MPH
 - Overview of Rulemaking & Legislative Processes
 - Rule and Pending Legislation on Testing for Lead in Water at Child Care Centers and Schools



- Lynette Tolson
 - Overview of current bills that may impact PH



Chief Public Health Nurse Phyllis Rocco

Disaster Sheltering

- Review General Population Shelter Nurse Job Description
- Nicotine Replacement Therapy
- Naloxone

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ERRNs

- Child Health
- Referrals & Follow-up when abnormal results

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Medicaid Transformation



PHP Contracts and Local Health Departments

- LHDs should contract with **all** PHPs serving their county or region, as appropriate. This is a shift from a single payer for Medicaid to multiple third party payers. **Billing, processing claims and working denials will be critical success factors.**
- LHDs should include **all** applicable Medicaid services in the contract.
- **All** LHD/PHP Contracts should include:
 - Care Management for At-Risk Children, including payment mechanism based on DHHS guidance
 - Care Management for High Risk Pregnancy, including payment mechanism based on DHHS guidance
 - Communicable disease/TB/STD exams and testing
 - Immunizations
 - Family Planning
 - Language related to Advanced Utilization Based Payments based on DHHS guidance
 - Language stipulating that payments services provided will not be less than the current amounts paid to LHD's.
- LHDs should notify Beth Lovette, beth.lovette@dhhs.nc.gov and the relevant DPH branch head if the agency does not intend to provide any of these services directly, so that other LHDs arrangements can be considered and program integrity and oversight maintained with PHPs and assurance plans developed, if applicable.

PHP Contracts and Local Health Departments

- Some LHDs may include:
 - Pregnancy Management Program (also known as clinical services for Maternal Health, OB Care, Prenatal Care)
 - Primary care for adults and/or children and may include AMH Tier
 - Behavioral Health/Substance Use Disorder treatment
 - Nutrition: Diabetes Self Management Education, Diabetes Prevention Program, Medical Nutrition Therapy
 - Healthy Homes Assessment
 - Tobacco Cessation
 - Medical Lactation Services
- DHHS/DHB is currently reviewing overall practitioner and facility contracts, and expects to approve these contracts by late May/early June. As those reviews are completed, DHB will continue to review provider specialty contract language, including LHDs.

New Medicaid Terms

- Fee for Service
- Pregnancy Medical Home
- Care Coordination for Children
(CC4C)
- Obstetric Care Management
(OBCM)
- NC Medicaid Direct
- Pregnancy Management
Program
- Care management for At-Risk
Children (CMARC)
- Care management for High-Risk
Pregnancy (CMARHP)

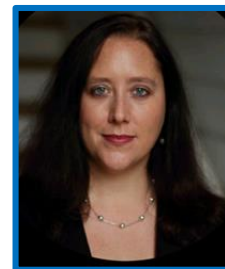
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NC PHN Recruitment & Retention Study

- 2 phases:
 - Summer 2019 Front-line PHNs
 - Winter 2020 PHN Supervisors and DONs
- Incentives for Participation



NC Department of Health and Human Services

Division of Public Health –Regulatory & Legal Update



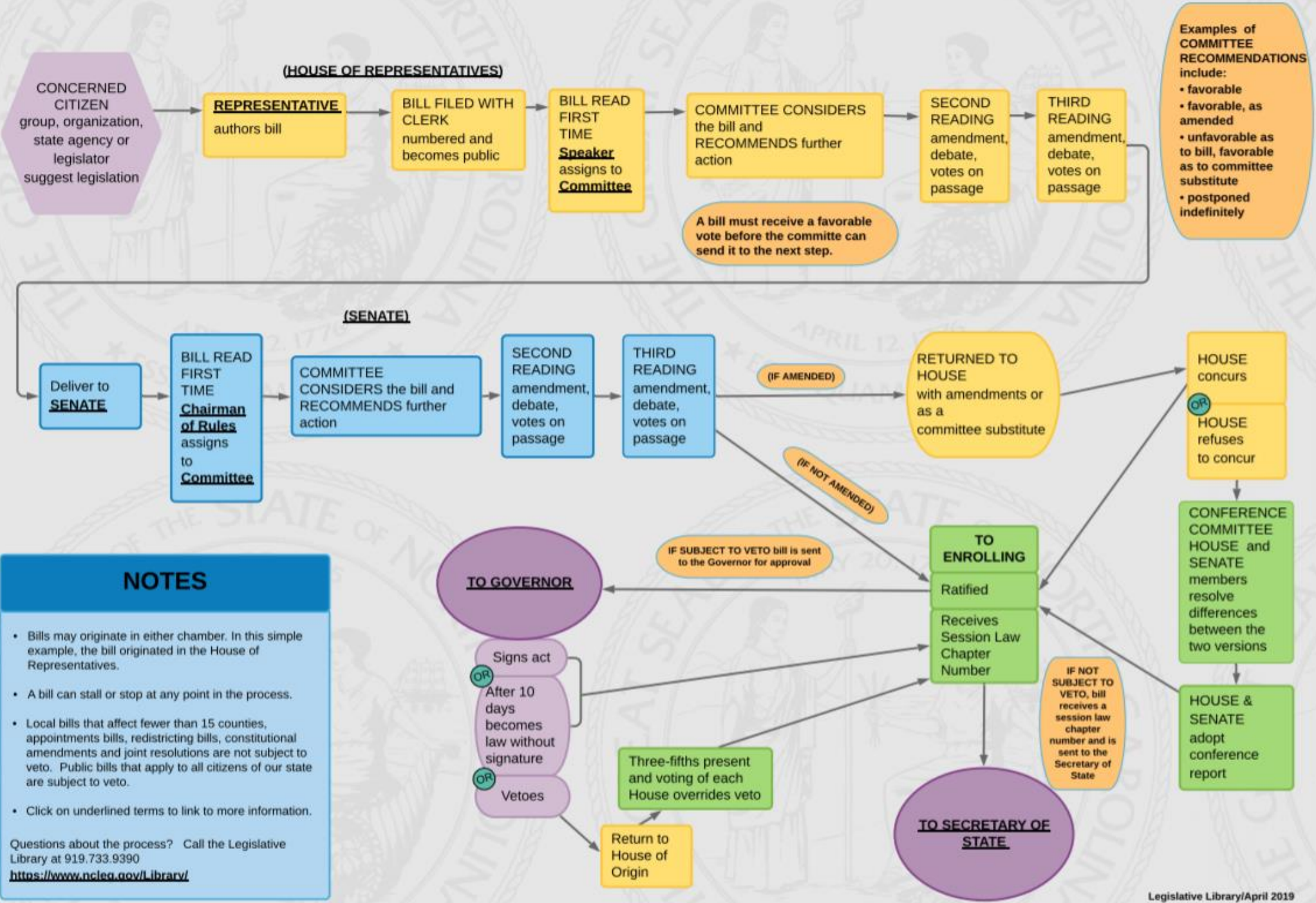
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May 30, 2019

Agenda

- **Overview of Legislative Process**
- **Overview of Rulemaking Process**
- **Rule Amendment and Pending Legislation on Testing for Lead in Water at Child Care Centers and Schools**

How an Idea Becomes a Law in North Carolina



Legislative Session

- **Biennium – two year term of legislative activity**
 - Long Session (odd numbered years)
 - Short Session (even numbered years)
- **Appropriations Act**
 - Governor’s Budget (H588/S452)
 - House Budget (H966)
 - Senate Budget
 - Conference Budget
- **Crossover Deadline – May 9**



Rulemaking: What is a rule?

"**Rule**" means any agency regulation, standard, or statement of general applicability

– that implements or interprets an enactment of the General Assembly or Congress or a regulation adopted by a federal agency

or

– that describes the procedure or practice requirements of an agency

and

– that directly or substantially affects the rights or procedures of non-agency persons

Process for Adopting a Rule

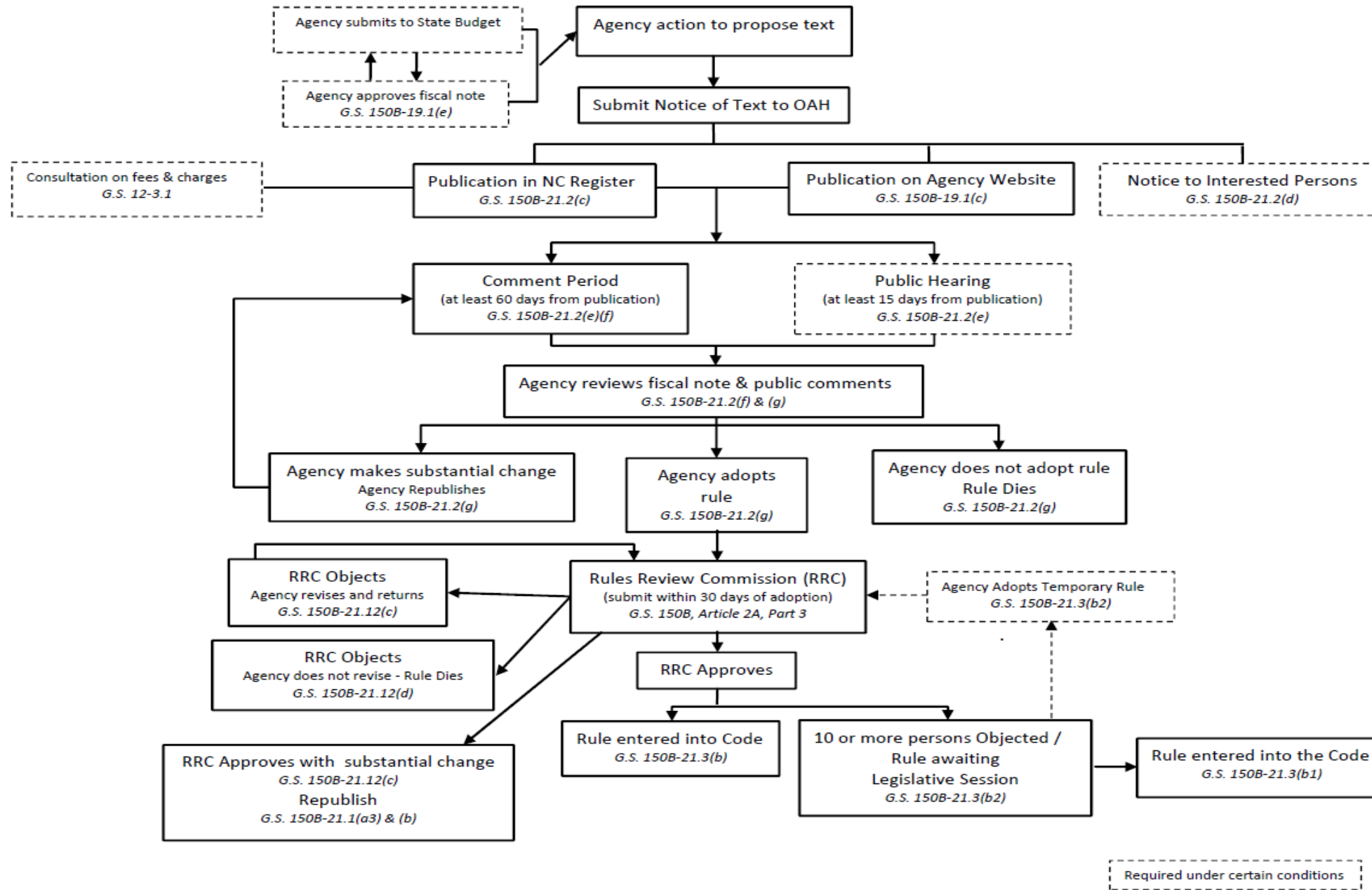
- A rule is **valid** only if adopted in *substantial compliance* with Article 2A of the Administrative Procedure Act (APA; G.S. Chapter 150B)
- Article 2A sets out a **uniform procedure** for the adoption of rules, including:
 - Permanent Rules
 - Emergency Rules
 - Temporary Rules
 - Periodic Review and Expiration of Existing Rules / Readoption

SOURCE: G.S. 150B-18

NC Commission for Public Health (CPH)

- The Commission for Public Health (CPH) is the public health rulemaking body for North Carolina.
 - authorized and directed by the legislature to adopt rules to protect and promote the health of the public and to implement public health programs administered by the Division of Public Health
- 13 members; 4 year terms
 - 9 appointed by the Governor
 - 4 elected by the NC Medical Society
- Quarterly meeting schedule

PERMANENT RULEMAKING PROCESS



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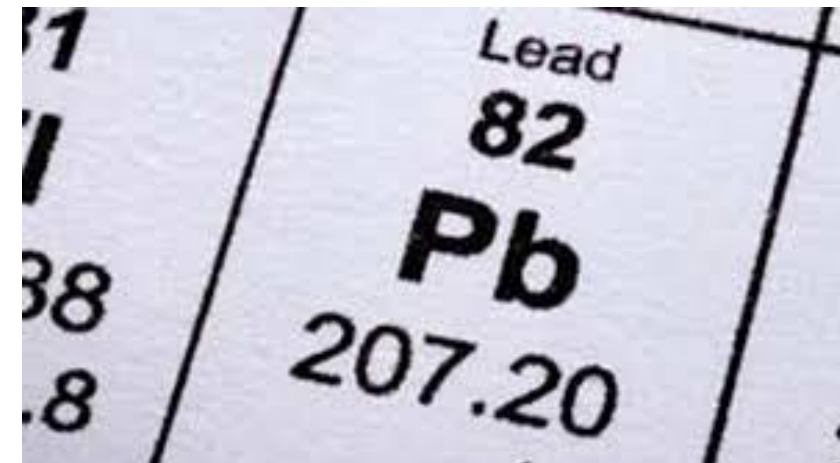
(09/26/16)

15A NCAC 18A .2816 – Lead Poisoning Hazards in Child Care Centers (Amendment)

- Requires licensed child care centers to test water from all outlets used for drinking and food preparation for lead at least once every three years.
- If an outlet has a lead concentration above the hazard level (currently 15 ppb), the operator must restrict access to the water outlet and mitigate.
- Will impact 4,375 centers serving 237,683 children
- Rule text and fiscal note will be posted here: <https://cph.publichealth.nc.gov/>
- Public comment period: 6/3/2019 – 8/2/2019
- Public hearing: 6/24/19, 10am, DPH – Six Forks Rd.

H386 – Ensure Safety of School Drinking Water

- One-time testing for lead in water at schools and child care facilities
- Lead trigger level—5 ppb
- Corrective action required
- DEQ enforces
- DPH verifies remediation



<https://www.ncleg.gov/BillLookUp/2019/h386>

Questions?

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Overview of Current State Legislation That Impacts Public Health Nursing

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