



CHAPTER 130A
ARTICLE 1 - DEFINITIONS, GENERAL PROVISIONS AND REMEDIES

N.C.G.S. § 130A-12.

Confidentiality of records.

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All records containing privileged patient medical information, information protected under 45 Code of Federal Regulations Parts 160 and 164, and information collected under the authority of Part 4 of Article 5 of this Chapter that are in the possession of the Department of Health and Human Services or local health departments shall be confidential and shall not be public records pursuant to G.S. 132-1. Information contained in the records may be disclosed only when disclosure is authorized or required by State or federal law. Notwithstanding G.S. 8-53, the information contained in the records may be disclosed for purposes of treatment, payment, research, or health care operations to the extent that disclosure is permitted under 45 Code of Federal Regulations §§ 164.506 and 164.512(i). For purposes of this section, the terms "treatment," "payment," "research," and "health care operations" have the meanings given those terms in 45 Code of Federal Regulations § 164.501.

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APPARATUS I
7 ACTS

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01	1985	c. 470, s. 2	ENACTED				
02	1985	1991 (Reg. Sess., 1992), c. 890, s. 9	AMENDED				
03	1995	c. 428, s. 1.1	AMENDED				

04	2004	S.L. 2004-80, s. 4	AMENDED
05	2006	S.L. 2006-255, s. 13.2	AMENDED
06	2011	S.L. 2011-145, s. 13.3(qq)	AMENDED
07	2011	S.L. 2011-314, s. 3	AMENDED

APPARATUS II
2 AUTHORITIES

Authorities referenced

Every G.S. cross-reference appearing in the text of this section, in order of first appearance. Nothing is characterized; the operative language is quoted from the section itself.

REFERENCE	APPEARS IN	OPERATIVE LANGUAGE IN THIS SECTION
G.S. 132-1		<i>"not be public records pursuant to"</i>
G.S. 8-53		<i>"by State or federal law. Notwithstanding"</i>

APPARATUS III

Citation

FULL SECTION

N.C. Gen. Stat. § 130A-12 (2011).

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