10A NCAC 43B.0103 is proposed for amendment as follows:

10A NCAC 48B .0103 ACCREDITATION REQUIREMENTS

(a) To receive an accreditation status of "accredited," a local health department must satisfy all of the accreditation standards contained in this Subchapter. In order to satisfy the accreditation standards, the local health department shall satisfy 33 of the 41 benchmarks. Two of the 33 benchmarks may come from any of the three standards listed below. 31 of the benchmarks shall be met activities under the standards according to the following proportions:

- (1) Standard 1. Agency core functions and essential services:
 - (A) The local health department must satisfy at least six of the <u>26 of the 29 activities listed in</u> the benchmarks contained in Sections .0200 and .0300 of this Subchapter;
 - (B) The local health department must satisfy at least five of the <u>23 of the 26 activities listed</u> in benchmarks contained in Sections .0400 through .0600 of this Subchapter;
 - (C) The local health department must satisfy at least 11 of the <u>34 of 38 activities listed in the</u> benchmarks contained in Sections .0700 through .1100 of this Subchapter;
- (2) Standard 2. Facilities and administrative services: The local health department must satisfy at least three of the <u>24 of the 27 activities listed in the</u> benchmarks contained in Section .1200 of this Subchapter; and
- (3) Standard 3. Board of health: The local health department must satisfy at least six of the <u>25 of the</u> <u>28 activities listed in the</u> benchmarks contained in Section .1300 of this Subchapter.

(b) In order to satisfy a benchmark, an activity, the local health department must <u>carry out satisfy</u> all of the <u>activities</u> requirements prescribed for that <u>benchmark</u>. <u>activity</u>. Failure to complete any <u>activity requirement</u> associated with an <u>benchmark activity</u> means that the <u>benchmark activity</u> is not satisfied.

History Note: Authority G.S. 130A-34.1;