

North Carolina Department of Insurance
Wayne Goodwin, Commissioner

BULLETIN

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To: All Insurance Companies and Other Entities Specified Under
North Carolina General Statute 58-3-228

From: Wayne Goodwin, Commissioner of Insurance

Date: **April 28, 2014**

Subject: North Carolina Operations

**Governor Pat McCrory under Executive Order Number 50 Proclaimed a State of
Emergency for the counties of Beaufort, Chowan, Pasquotank and Perquimans in
the State of North Carolina**

<http://www.governor.state.nc.us/newsroom/executive-order/20140428/executive-order-no-50-declaration-state-emergency>

Under authority of NCGS 58-3-228, Wayne Goodwin, Commissioner of Insurance, issues this bulletin to all health benefit plans as defined in G.S. 58-3-167, the State Health Plan for Teachers and State Employees, and any optional plans or programs operating under Part 2 of Article 3 of Chapter 135 of the North Carolina General Statutes, and other stand-alone prescription medication plans issued by entities that are licensed by the Department of Insurance.

This bulletin is to remind health benefit plans of compliance requirements for operations under a state of emergency to enable insureds in the affected areas to obtain one refill on a prescription if there are authorized refills remaining, or to fill one replacement prescription for one that was recently filled, as prescribed or approved by the prescriber of the prescription that is being replaced and not contrary to the dispensing authority of the dispensing pharmacy, and shall authorize payment to pharmacies for any prescription dispensed in accordance with this law regardless of the date upon which the prescription had most recently been filled by a pharmacist.

Please refer any questions regarding applicability to Deputy Commissioner Ted Hamby by E-mail at: L&Hinbox@ncdoi.gov

Internet Link to the statute:

<http://www.ncleg.net/gascripts/statutes/statutelookup.pl?statute=58-3-228>