1. (No change.)

2. Data shall be submitted on a quarterly basis, with quarterly data submitted within 45 days of the end of each quarter, either through an encrypted electronic transmission, or on a computer disk sent by overnight mail to:

    Stroke Data Coordinator
    Office of Health Care Quality Assessment
    [240 West State Street, 11th Floor] **225 E. State Street, 2nd Floor**
    Trenton, New Jersey 08608-1800

3. (No change.)

(b)-(d) (No change.)

SUBCHAPTER 8. CENTRAL SERVICE

8:43G-8.1 Central service policies and procedures

(a)-(d) (No change.)

(e) Methods for processing reusable medical devices shall conform with the following [or revised or later editions, if in effect] **publications**, incorporated herein by reference, **as amended and supplemented**:

    [1. The Association for the Advancement of Medical Instrumentation (AAMI) requirements, “Good Hospital Practice: Steam Sterilization and Sterility Assurance.” ST 46;]

    [2. The Association for the Advancement of Medical Instrumentation (AAMI) requirements, “Flash Sterilization: Steam Sterilization of Patient Care Items for Immediate Use.” ST 37;]
3. The Association for the Advancement of Medical Instrumentation (AAMI) requirements, “Safe Use and Handling of Gutaraldehyde-based Products in Health Care Facilities.” ST 58;

4. The Association for the Advancement of Medical Instrumentation (AAMI) requirements, “Guidelines for the Selection and use of Reusable Rigid Container Systems for Ethylene Oxide Sterilization and Steam Sterilization in Health Care Facilities.” ST 33;

5. The Association for the Advancement of Medical Instrumentation (AAMI) requirements, “Steam Sterilization and Sterility Assurance Using Table Top Sterilizers in Office-Based, Ambulatory Care, Medical, Surgical, and Dental Facilities,” January 1998, ST 42R;

1. Sterilization, Part 1: Sterilization in Health Care Facilities, 2015 Edition. The Association for the Advancement of Medical Instrumentation (AAMI). This book is available from AAMI, 4301 N. Fairfax Drive, Suite 301, Arlington, VA 22203-1633. Phone: (703) 525-4890. Fax: (703) 525-1424. Website: www.aami.org. E-mail: sloughlin@aami.org; and


[7. The Association for the Advancement of Medical Instrumentation (AAMI)
requirements, “Safe Handling and Biological Decontamination of Medical Devices in Health Care Facilities and in Nonclinical Settings,” ST 35; and

8. The Association for the Advancement of Medical Instrumentation (AAMI) requirements, “Ethylene Oxide Sterilization in Health Care Facilities: Safety and Effectiveness,” October 1998, ST 41R.

(f) The documents reference in (e) above are reviewed and/or revised every five years or more frequently as needed; the most current document is to be used. The AAMI requirements can be obtained from: The Association for the Advancement of Medical Instrumentation, 3330 Washington Building, Suite 400, Arlington, VA 22209 or at the AAMI website at [www.aami.org](http://www.aami.org). SGNA’s Standards and Guidelines are available from the Society of Gastroenterology Nurses and Associates, Inc., 401 North Michigan Ave., Chicago, Il 60611-4267, or at [www.sgna.org](http://www.sgna.org].

8:43G-8.2 Central service staff qualifications

(a) (No change.)

(b) The director or supervisor of central services shall have two years of supervisory experience and shall be certified through a national sterile processing program recognized by the [New Jersey] Department [of Health and Senior Services].

(c) All personnel involved in sterile processing shall be certified through a national sterile processing program recognized by the [New Jersey] Department [of Health and Senior Services] within three years of employment [and by August 2, 2009].

(d) (No change.)

8:43G-8.5 Single use medical devices and outsourcing

(a) (No change.)

(c) (No change.)

SUBCHAPTER 10. DIETARY

8:43G-10.6 Dietary patient services

(a)-(p) (No change.)

(q) The dietary service shall comply with the requirements of [Chapter XII of the New Jersey State Sanitary Code,] N.J.A.C. 8:24, “Sanitation in Retail Food Establishments and Food and Beverage Vending Machines” [(N.J.A.C. 8:24)].

SUBCHAPTER 12. EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT AND TRAUMA SERVICES

8:43G-12.7 Emergency department patient services

(a)-(u) (No change.)

(v) The phone number of the designated regional or Statewide New Jersey Poison Information and Education System [(1-800-962-1253)] (800) 222-1222 shall be posted in the emergency department.

(w)–(z) (No change.)

8:43G-12.9 Emergency department space and environment

(a) The emergency department shall meet criteria established by the [Federal Guidelines for Construction and Equipment of Hospital and Medical Facilities, 1987 Edition, section 7.9, or later edition, if in effect, which are hereby incorporated by]