

Proposed Clarifying Language for Chapter 15 of the
North Carolina 2014 Proposed State Medical Facilities Plan

Current wording in Chapter 15 of the North Carolina 2014 State Medical Facilities Plan, page 384 (*excerpt only*):

Basic Assumptions of the Methodology

1. A psychiatric inpatient bed's service area is the catchment area for the local management entity-managed care organization for mental health, developmental disabilities, and substance abuse services in which the bed is located. The counties comprising each of the 16 local management entity-managed care organization catchment areas for mental health, developmental disabilities, and substance abuse services are listed in Table 15B.

Staff proposes the additional clarifying language, which is shaded and in bold print:

Basic Assumptions of the Methodology

1. A psychiatric inpatient bed's service area is the catchment area for the local management entity-managed care organization **(LME-MCO)** for mental health, developmental disabilities, and substance abuse services in which the bed is located. **Two LME-MCOs are divided into separate service areas for the purposes of inventory and need projections. The Cardinal Innovations LME-MCO appears as two separate LME-MCOs, with the Sandhills Center located between these two service areas. The Smoky Mountain Center LME-MCO also appears as two separate LME-MCOs, with the Western Highland Network located between these two service areas. Additionally, Durham, Wake, Johnston and Cumberland are treated as separate LME-MCOs.** The counties comprising each of the ~~23~~ **16 LME-MCO** ~~local management entity managed care organization~~ catchment areas for mental health, developmental disabilities, and substance abuse services are listed in Table 15B.