

1 10A NCAC 13G .0404 is proposed for readoption with substantive changes as follows:

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3 **10A NCAC 13G .0404 QUALIFICATIONS OF ACTIVITY DIRECTOR**

4 ~~There shall be a designated family Adult care home homes shall have an~~ activity director who meets the following
5 qualifications: ~~qualifications set forth in this Rule.~~

6 (1) The activity director (~~employed~~ hired on or after ~~August 1, 1991~~) September 30, 2022 shall meet a
7 minimum educational requirement by being ~~at least~~ a high school graduate or certified under the
8 GED Program ~~or by passing an alternative examination established by the Department of Health &~~
9 ~~Human Services. Program.~~ Program.

10 (2) The activity director hired on or after ~~July 1, 2005~~ September 30, 2022 shall have ~~completed or~~
11 complete, within nine months of employment or assignment to this position, the basic activity course
12 for assisted living activity directors offered by community colleges or a comparable activity course
13 as determined by the Department based on instructional hours and content. ~~A person with a degree~~
14 ~~in recreation administration or therapeutic recreation or who is state or nationally certified as a~~
15 ~~Therapeutic Recreation Specialist or certified by the National Certification Council for Activity~~
16 ~~Professional meets this requirement as does a person who completed the activity coordinator course~~
17 ~~of 48 hours or more through a community college before July 1, 2005. An activity director shall be~~
18 ~~exempt from the required basic activity course if one or more of the following applies:~~

19 (a) ~~be a licensed recreational therapist or be eligible for certification as a therapeutic recreation~~
20 ~~specialist as defined by the North Carolina Recreational Therapy Licensure Act in~~
21 ~~accordance with G.S. 90C;~~

22 (b) ~~have two years of experience working in a social or recreation program within the last five~~
23 ~~years, one year of which was full-time in a patient activities program in a health care~~
24 ~~setting;~~

25 (c) ~~be a licensed occupational therapist or licensed occupational therapy assistant in~~
26 ~~accordance with G.S. 90, Article 18D; or~~

27 (d) ~~be certified as an Activity Director by the National Certification Council for Activity~~
28 ~~Professionals.~~

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30 *History Note: Authority G.S. 131D-2.16; 131D-4.5; 143B-165;*
31 *Eff. April 1, 1984;*
32 *Amended Eff. July 1, 1990; April 1, 1987; January 1, 1985;*
33 *ARRC Objection Lodged March 18, 1991;*
34 *Amended Eff. August 1, 1991;*
35 *Temporary Amendment Eff. July 1, 2004;*
36 *Amended Eff. July 1, 2005- 2005;*
37 *Readopted Eff. October 1, 2022.*