

1 10A NCAC 13E .0601 is proposed for adoption as follows:
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3 **SECTION .0600 - ENROLLMENT AND SERVICE PLANNING**
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5 **10A NCAC 13E .0601 ENROLLMENT OF PARTICIPANTS**

6 (a) Prior to enrollment, the applicant, responsible party, or other caregiver shall have a personal interview with a
7 program staff member. During the interview, the staff shall complete initial documentation identifying the following:

- 8 (1) social and medical care needs;
9 (2) spiritual, religious, or cultural needs; and
10 (3) whether the program can meet the applicant's expressed needs.

11 The staff person doing the interviewing shall sign the assessment of needs and the applicant, responsible party, or
12 other caregiver shall sign the application for enrollment. These signed documents shall be obtained before the
13 individual's first day of attendance as a participant in the program and maintained in the participant's record.

14 (b) Any adult (18 years of age or over) who, because of a physical condition or mental disability, needs a substitute
15 home for purpose of respite for the caregiver may be enrolled for overnight respite services when, in the opinion of
16 the caregiver, family, participant, physician, or social worker and the administrator, the services and accommodations
17 of the facility will meet the respite needs of the participant.

18 (c) Individuals shall not be admitted:

- 19 (1) for treatment of mental illness, alcohol or drug abuse;
20 (2) for maternity care;
21 (3) for professional nursing care under continuous medical supervision;
22 (4) for lodging, when the personal assistance and supervision offered for the participant are not needed;
23 or
24 (5) who pose a threat to the health or safety of others.

25 (d) A medical examination report signed by a physician, nurse practitioner, or physician's assistant, completed within
26 the prior three months, shall be obtained by the program at the time of enrollment. The report must be updated annually
27 no later than the anniversary date of the initial report.

28 (e) The program shall assure that the participant's physician or prescribing practitioner is contacted for orders for
29 medications, treatments, and special diets if current physician orders are not part of the medical examination report
30 required in Paragraph (d) of this Rule for inclusion in the participant's record. Prior to or the day of admission, the
31 participant's physician or prescribing practitioner shall be contacted for clarification of orders, if orders are not clear
32 or complete.

33 (f) The program shall assure that the participant has been tested for tuberculosis disease within the past 12 months of
34 each admission for overnight respite services in accordance with the NC Division of Public Health's Tuberculosis
35 Policy Manual, incorporated herein by reference including any subsequent amendments and editions, and shall be free
36 of active tuberculosis. This manual may be accessed free of charge at
37 <http://epi.publichealth.nc.gov/cd/lhds/manuals/tb/toc.html>.

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