

10A NCAC 13D .2105 TEMPORARY CHANGE IN BED CAPACITY

(a) In an emergency situation, such as a natural disaster, a facility may exceed its licensed capacity as determined by its disaster plan and as authorized by the Division of Health Service Regulation. Emergency authorizations shall not exceed 60 days.

(b) A continuing care retirement community, having an agreement to care for all residents regardless of level of care needs, may temporarily increase bed capacity by 10 percent or 10 beds, whichever is less, over the licensed bed capacity for a period up to 60 days following notification to and approval by the Division of Health Service Regulation. The increased bed capacity period may be extended by an additional 60 days.

(c) The Division shall authorize, in writing, a temporary increase in licensed beds in accordance with Paragraphs (a) and (b) of this Rule, if it is determined that:

- (1) the increase is not associated with a capital expenditure; and
- (2) the increase would not jeopardize the health, safety and welfare of the patients.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 131E-104; 131E-112;
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