

1 10A NCAC 14A .0301 is proposed for readoption with substantive changes as follows:

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3 **SECTION .0300 – HEARINGS: TRANSFERS AND DISCHARGES**

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5 **10A NCAC 14A .0301 DEFINITIONS**

6 The following definitions apply throughout this Section:

- 7 (1) “Facility” is defined in 42 CFR 483.5, which is herein incorporated by reference, including  
8 subsequent amendments and editions. The Code of Federal Regulations may be accessed free of  
9 charge at [http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/waisidx\\_08/42cfr483\\_08.html](http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/waisidx_08/42cfr483_08.html)~~http://ecfr.gov.~~
- 10 (2) “Hearing Officer” means the person at the Hearing Unit designated to preside over hearings between  
11 residents and nursing facility providers regarding transfers and discharges.
- 12 (3) “Hearing Unit” means the Chief Hearing Officer and his or her staff in the Division of ~~Medical~~  
13 ~~Assistance~~ Health Benefits of the Department of Health and Human Services.
- 14 (4) “Notice” means a written notification of transfer or discharge, as required by 42 CFR 483.15 (c), by  
15 the facility to the resident and the resident’s representative as defined in 42 CFR 483.5.
- 16 (5) “Request for a Hearing” means a written expression by the resident, family member, or legal  
17 representative, that he or she wants the opportunity to present his or her case to the Hearing Officer.
- 18 (6) “Resident” means any person who is receiving treatment or long-term care in a facility.
- 19 (7) “Serve” means personal delivery, delivery by first class or certified United States Postal Service  
20 mail, or delivery by licensed overnight express mail, postage prepaid and addressed to the party at  
21 his or her last known address.

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23 *History Note: Authority G.S. 143B-165(10); 42 U.S.C. 1395i-3(c)(2)(B)(iii); 42 U.S.C. 1396r(e)(3); 42 U.S.C.*  
24 *1396r(f)(3); 42 CFR 483.15(c);*  
25 *Eff. August 3, 1992;*  
26 *Readopted Eff. January 1, ~~2019~~2019;*  
27 *Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary Eff. January 21, 2026;*  
28 *Readopted Eff. October 1, 2026.*