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Subject: Concerns regarding interpretation of 10A NCAC 13J .1501 and .1502

Thank you for the phone call this evening. Please see below my concern regarding the above referenced sections of Subchapter 13J.

The current wording in 10A NCAC 13J.1501 Section (1), (2), and (3) gives the definition of what a Companion, sitter, and respite services personnel provides for a client (spending time or providing non-hands on care) and defines non-hands on care. This appears to be the only section within the Licensing of Home Care Agencies that give direction as to how to handle a client in need of respite service.

Question: There are situations where home care companies provide respite care to clients who are need of both hands on and non-hands on care. Would it be possible to include the terminology of respite care also within the body of 10A NCAC 13J .1107-In Home Aide Services. In those situations the Health Care Practitioner (existing wording) and RN (new wording drafted by Nadine Pfeiffer) is required to provide the assessment and write the plan of care for the client. Due to current wording of the Rule, home care companies may interpret that clients in need of respite care do not require an assessment/plan of care by an RN.

Thank you for your help. Have a safe 4th of July.
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