



August 7, 2024

Ms. Taylor Corpening
Rule Review Manager
Division of Health Service Regulation
2701 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, North Carolina 27699

Re: **Proposed Changes to Medical Care Commission Rules Related to Adult Care Homes- Comments from [Your Community Name]**

Dear Ms. Corpening:

As the executive director of Arbor Landing at Ocean Isle, I write in opposition to the proposed changes to rule 10A NCAC 13F .0309 currently being considered by the Medical Care Commission.

During my career in long term care, I have managed two successful emergency evacuations. The first was during Hurricane Florence when we coordinated the evacuation of over 100 coastal residents inland for the duration of the storm. The second was a sprinkler head malfunction in the middle of the night requiring the immediate evacuation of 12 memory care residents to another section of the community. These events required the ability to make real time decisions depending on the availability of resources without the confines of superfluous regulations.

In addition to being unnecessary, the changes, as proposed, would create significant financial and time burdens on smaller providers like us. More importantly, they would do little to improve disaster readiness and would likely result in wholly avoidable emotional and physical harm for our residents.

For the good of our residents, we appeal to the Commission to leave these rules unchanged.

Sincerely,

Amy E. Causey
Arbor Landing at Ocean Isle