# CHAPTER 4 STATEMENT OF POLICIES

## POLICIES APPLICABLE TO NURSING CARE FACILITIES (NH)

### POLICY NH-6: RELOCATION OF NURSING FACILITY BEDS

Relocations of existing licensed nursing facility beds are allowed only within the host county and to contiguous counties <del>currently served by the facility,</del> except as provided in Policies NH-4, NH-5 and NH-7. Certificate of need applicants proposing to relocate licensed nursing facility beds to a contiguous <del>counties</del> county shall:

- 1. Demonstrate that the facility losing beds or moving to a contiguous county is currently serving residents of that contiguous county; and
- 2. Demonstrate that the proposal shall not result in a deficit, or increase an existing deficit in the number of licensed nursing facility beds in the county that would be losing nursing facility beds as a result of the proposed project, as reflected in the North Carolina State Medical Facilities Plan in effect at the time the certificate of need review begins; and
- 3. Demonstrate that the proposal shall not result in a surplus, or increase an existing surplus of licensed nursing facility beds in the county that would gain nursing facility beds as a result of the proposed project, as reflected in the North Carolina State Medical Facilities Plan in effect at the time the certificate of need review begins.

## POLICIES APPLICABLE TO ADULT CARE HOMES

#### **POLICY LTC-2: RELOCATION OF ADULT CARE HOME BEDS**

Relocations of existing licensed adult care home beds are allowed only within the host county and to contiguous counties <del>currently served by the facility</del>. Certificate of need applicants proposing to relocate licensed adult care home beds to <u>a</u> contiguous <del>counties</del> county shall:

- 1. Demonstrate that the facility losing beds or moving to a contiguous county is currently serving residents of that contiguous county; and
- 2. Demonstrate that the proposal shall not result in a deficit, or increase an existing deficit in the number of licensed adult care home beds in the county that would be losing adult care home beds as a result of the proposed project, as reflected in the North Carolina State Medical Facilities Plan in effect at the time the certificate of need review begins; and

3. Demonstrate that the proposal shall not result in a surplus, or increase an existing surplus of licensed adult care home beds in the county that would gain adult care home beds as a result of the proposed project, as reflected in the North Carolina State Medical Facilities Plan in effect at the time the certificate of need review begins.

# POLICIES RELATED TO END-STAGE RENAL DISEASE DIALYSIS SERVICES (ESRD)

### POLICY ESRD-2: RELOCATION OF DIALYSIS STATIONS

Relocations of existing dialysis stations are allowed only within the host county and to contiguous counties <del>currently served by the facility</del>. Certificate of need applicants proposing to relocate dialysis stations to a contiguous <del>counties</del> county shall:

- 1. Demonstrate that the facility losing dialysis stations or moving to a contiguous county is currently serving residents of that contiguous county; and
- 2. Demonstrate that the proposal shall not result in a deficit, or increase an existing deficit in the number of dialysis stations in the county that would be losing stations as a result of the proposed project, as reflected in the most recent North Carolina Semiannual Dialysis Report<sub>7</sub>; and
- 3. Demonstrate that the proposal shall not result in a surplus, or increase an existing surplus of dialysis stations in the county that would gain stations as a result of the proposed project, as reflected in the most recent North Carolina Semiannual Dialysis Report.