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ANNOUNCEMENT

To: All Licensed N.C.G.S. §122C Providers
From: Stephanie Alexander 
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Re: Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF/IID)

Based on terminology changes made in [Rosa's Law](#) in 2010, Intermediate Care Facilities for Persons with Mental Retardation (ICF/MR) will now reflect nationwide changes and be referred to as Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF/IID).

Rosa's Law amends numerous federal acts and regulations to replace the term "mental retardation" with "intellectual disability".

The final portion of Rosa's Law clarifies that the changes are made: "*without any intent to: (1) change the coverage, eligibility, rights, responsibilities, or definitions referred to in the amended provisions; or (2) compel states to change terminology in state laws for individuals covered by a provision amended by this Act.*"

The North Carolina Division of Health Service Regulation has adopted the change in terminology for all facilities formerly known as Intermediate Care Facilities for Persons with Mental Retardation (ICF/MR). We are currently working on revisions to our website and communication to reflect this change.

If you have additional questions, please contact Kim Ruppel, Training and Development Program Manager at 919-855-3813 or Kim.Ruppel@dhhs.nc.gov.

