1 10A NCAC 13F .0404 is proposed for readoption with substantive changes as follows: 2 3 10A NCAC 13F .0404 **QUALIFICATIONS OF ACTIVITY DIRECTOR** 4 There shall be a designated adult Adult care home homes shall have an activity director who meets the following 5 qualifications: 6 (1) The activity director (employed hired on or after August 1, 1991) September 30, 2022 shall meet a 7 minimum educational requirement by being at least a high school graduate or certified under the 8 GED Program or by passing an alternative examination established by the Department of Health & 9 Human Services. Program. 10 The activity director hired on or after July 1, 2005 September 30, 2022 shall have completed or (2) 11 complete, within nine months of employment or assignment to this position, the basic activity course 12 for assisted living activity directors offered by community colleges or a comparable activity course 13 as determined by the Department based on instructional hours and content. A person with a degree 14 in recreation administration or therapeutic recreation or who is state or nationally certified as a 15 Therapeutic Recreation Specialist or certified by the National Certification Council for Activity 16 Professionals meets this requirement as does a person who completed the activity coordinator course of 48 hours or more through a community college before July 1, 2005. An activity director shall be 17 18 exempt from the required basic activity course if one or more of the following applies: 19 be a licensed recreational therapist or be eligible for certification as a therapeutic recreation (a) 20 specialist as defined by the North Carolina Recreational Therapy Licensure Act in 21 accordance with G.S. 90C; 22 (b) have two years of experience working in a social or recreation program within the last five 23 years, one year of which was full-time in a patient activities program in a health care setting; 24 25 be a licensed occupational therapist or licensed occupational therapy assistant in (c) 26 accordance with G.S. 90, Article 18D; or 27 (d) be certified as an Activity Director by the National Certification Council for Activity 28 Professionals. 29 30 History Note: Authority G.S. 131D-2.16; 131D-4.5; 143B-165; 31 Eff. January 1, 1977; 32 Readopted Eff. October 31, 1977; 33 Amended Eff. April 1, 1987; April 1, 1984; 34 Temporary Amendment Eff. July 1, 2003; 35 Amended Eff. June 1, 2004; 36 Temporary Amendment Eff. July 1, 2004; 37 Amended Eff. July 1, 2005. 2005;

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