1	10A NCAC 14C	.4001 is readopted with changes as published in 37:02 NCR 170-174 as follows:
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3	SECTION.	4000 - CRITERIA AND STANDARDS FOR HOSPICE INPATIENT FACILITIES AND
4		HOSPICE RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITIES
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6	10A NCAC 14C	.4001 DEFINITIONS
7	The following de	finitions shall apply to all rules in this Section:
8	(1)	"Bereavement counseling" means counseling provided to a hospice patient's family or significant
9		others to assist them in dealing with issues of grief and loss.
10	(2)	"Caregiver" means the person whom the patient designates to provide the patient with emotional
11		support, physical care, or both.
12	(3)	"Care plan" means a plan as defined in 10A NCAC 13K .0102 of the Hospice Licensing Rules.
13	(4)	"Home like" means furnishings of a hospice inpatient facility or a hospice residential care facility
14		as defined in 10A NCAC 13K .1110 or .1204 of the Hospice Licensing Rules.
15	(5)	"Hospice" means any coordinated program of home care as defined in G.S. 131E 176(13a).
16	(6)	"Hospice inpatient facility" means a facility as defined in G.S. 131E 176(13b).
17	(7)	"Hospice residential care facility" means a facility as defined in G.S. 131E 176(13c).
18	(8)	"Hospice service area" means for residential care facilities, the county in which the hospice
19		residential care facility will be located and the contiguous counties for which the hospice residential
20		care facility will provide services.
21	(9)	"Hospice services" means services as defined in G.S. 131E 201(5b).
22	(10)	"Hospice staff" means personnel as defined in 10A NCAC 13K .0102 of the Hospice Licensing
23		Rules.
24	The following de	finitions shall apply to this Section:
25	<u>(1)</u>	"Approved beds" means [HI or HR] hospice inpatient facility or hospice residential care facility
26		beds that were issued a certificate of need but are not licensed as of the application deadline for the
27		review period.
28	<u>(2)</u>	"Average daily census (ADC)" means the total number of days of care provided in the [HI or HR]
29		hospice inpatient facility or hospice residential care facility beds during a full fiscal year of operation
30		divided by 365 days.
31	(3)	"Existing beds" means [HI or HR] hospice inpatient facility or hospice residential care facility beds
32		that are licensed as of the application deadline for the review period.
33	<u>(4)</u>	"Hospice inpatient facility [(HH)] beds" means [HH] inpatient beds in a facility licensed [to provide
34		palliative and supportive medical and other health services to meet the physical, psychological,
35		social, spiritual, and special needs of terminally ill patients in an inpatient setting.] in accordance
36		with the rules in Subchapter 10A NCAC 13K which are hereby incorporated by reference including
37		subsequent amendments.

1	(5)	"Hospice residential care facility [(HR)) beds" means [HR] group residential care beds in a facility
2		licensed [to provide palliative and supportive medical and other health services to meet the physical,
3		psychological, social, spiritual, and special needs of terminally ill patients in a group residential
4		setting.] in accordance with the rules in Subchapter 10A NCAC 13K.
5	<u>(6)</u>	"Occupancy rate" means the ADC divided by the total number of existing, approved, and proposed
6		[HI or HR] hospice inpatient facility or hospice residential care facility beds expressed as a
7		percentage.
8	(7)	"Proposed beds" means the [HI or HR] hospice inpatient facility or hospice residential care facility
9		beds proposed in the application under review.
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11	History Note:	Authority G.S. 131E-177(1); <u>131E-183(b);</u>
12		Temporary Adoption Eff. February 1, 2006;
13		Eff. November 1, 2006. <u>2006:</u>
14		Readopted Eff. January 1, 2023.