

1 10A NCAC 14C .4003 is proposed for readoption with substantive changes as follows:

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3 **10A NCAC 14C .4003 PERFORMANCE STANDARDS**

4 ~~(a) An applicant proposing to develop hospice inpatient facility beds or hospice residential care facility beds shall~~
5 ~~demonstrate that:~~

6 ~~(1) the average occupancy rate of the licensed hospice beds, for each level of care, in the facility is~~
7 ~~projected to be at least 50 percent for the last six months of the first operating year following~~
8 ~~completion of the project;~~

9 ~~(2) the average occupancy rate for the licensed hospice beds, for each level of care, in the facility is~~
10 ~~projected to be at least 65 percent for the second operating year following completion of the project;~~
11 ~~and~~

12 ~~(3) if the application is submitted to address the need for hospice residential care beds, each existing~~
13 ~~hospice residential care facility which is located in the hospice service area operated at an occupancy~~
14 ~~rate of at least 65 percent for the 12 month period reported on that facility's most recent Licensure~~
15 ~~Renewal Application Form.~~

16 ~~(b) An applicant proposing to add hospice inpatient facility beds to an existing hospice inpatient facility shall~~
17 ~~document that the average occupancy of the licensed hospice inpatient facility beds in its existing facility was at least~~
18 ~~65 percent for the nine months immediately preceding the submittal of the proposal.~~

19 ~~(c) An applicant proposing to add residential care beds to an existing hospice residential care facility shall document~~
20 ~~that the average occupancy of the licensed hospice residential care beds in its existing facility was at least 65 percent~~
21 ~~for the nine months immediately preceding the submittal of the proposal.~~

22 (a) An applicant proposing to develop new HI beds pursuant to a need determination in the annual State Medical
23 Facilities Plan in effect as of the first day of the review period shall:

24 (1) provide projected utilization of all existing approved, and proposed HI beds on the license during
25 each of the first three full fiscal years of operation following completion of the project;

26 (2) document that the occupancy rate for all existing, approved, and proposed HI beds on the license
27 shall be at least 65 percent during the third full fiscal year of operation following completion of the
28 project; and

29 (3) provide the assumptions and methodology used to provide the projected utilization and occupancy
30 rate required by Subparagraphs (1) and (2) of this Paragraph.

31 (b) An applicant proposing to develop new HR beds shall:

32 (1) provide projected utilization of all existing, approved, and proposed HR beds on the license during
33 each of the first three full fiscal years of operation following completion of the project;

34 (2) document that the occupancy rate for all existing, approved, and proposed HR beds on the license
35 shall be at least 65 percent during the third full fiscal year of operation following completion of the
36 project; and

1 (3) provide the assumptions and methodology used to provide the projected utilization and occupancy
2 rate required by Subparagraphs (1) and (2) of this Paragraph.

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