

**10A NCAC 13B .1929 SPECIAL NURSING REQUIREMENTS FOR BRAIN INJURY LONG-TERM CARE**

Direct care nursing personnel staffing ratio (NH/PD) established in Rule .1912 of this Section shall not be applied to nursing services for patients who require brain injury long-term care, due to their more intensive maintenance and nursing needs. The minimum direct care nursing staff shall be 5.5 hrs. per patient day allocated on a per shift basis as the facility chooses to appropriately meet the patient's needs. It is also required that regardless of how low the patient census the direct care nursing staff shall not fall below a registered nurse and a nurse aide I at any time during a 24-hour period.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 131E-79;  
Eff. December 1, 1991;  
Amended Eff. February 1, 1993;  
Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. July 22, 2017.*