

SECTION .1700 - RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT STAFF SECURE FOR CHILDREN OR ADOLESCENTS

10A NCAC 27G .1701 SCOPE

- (a) A residential treatment staff secure facility for children or adolescents is one that is a free-standing residential facility that provides intensive, active therapeutic treatment and interventions within a system of care approach. It shall not be the primary residence of an individual who is not a client of the facility.
- (b) Staff secure means staff are required to be awake during client sleep hours and supervision shall be continuous as set forth in Rule .1704 of this Section.
- (c) The population served shall be children or adolescents who have a primary diagnosis of mental illness, emotional disturbance or substance-related disorders; and may also have co-occurring disorders including developmental disabilities. These children or adolescents shall not meet criteria for inpatient psychiatric services.
- (d) The children or adolescents served shall require the following:
 - (1) removal from home to a community-based residential setting in order to facilitate treatment; and
 - (2) treatment in a staff secure setting.
- (e) Services shall be designed to:
 - (1) include individualized supervision and structure of daily living;
 - (2) minimize the occurrence of behaviors related to functional deficits;
 - (3) ensure safety and deescalate out of control behaviors including frequent crisis management with or without physical restraint;
 - (4) assist the child or adolescent in the acquisition of adaptive functioning in self-control, communication, social and recreational skills; and
 - (5) support the child or adolescent in gaining the skills needed to step-down to a less intensive treatment setting.
- (f) The residential treatment staff secure facility shall coordinate with other individuals and agencies within the child or adolescent's system of care.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 122C-26; 143B-147;
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