

## **10A NCAC 27H .0302 DEFINITIONS**

For the purposes of Rules .0301 through .0309 of this Section the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

- (1) "Direct care employee" means an individual who provides care or habilitation services to residents on a continuous and regularly scheduled basis.
- (2) "Group home" means a small community program for mentally retarded or otherwise developmentally disabled adults. Residents of these homes receive services provided on a developmental model designed to promote independence. A group home may be licensed as a family care home, group home for developmentally disabled adults, mental health facility or as a similar facility.
- (3) "Hepatitis B carrier" means a person who has been infected with the hepatitis B virus, does not develop immunity (antibodies) to the disease but, instead, continues to be a source of the virus particles (as indicated by hepatitis B surface antigen detectable in the blood) and is potentially infectious to others.
- (4) "Screening" means the taking and analyzing of a person's blood sample for the presence or absence of hepatitis B antibodies (indication of immunity) or surface antigen (indication of carrier state).

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