10A NCAC 71C .0105 LOCATING A BED AND SECURING PLACEMENT

(a) Social workers in the county departments of social services are responsible for assisting clients who are receiving Adult Placement Services and their families or representatives to locate available beds in substitute homes, residential health care facilities, or independent housing in the community with services and charges suitable to their needs.

- (1) County departments are not allowed to make referrals to or participate in plans for placing individuals in domiciliary homes, nursing facilities, or any other facility placement arrangements which do not comply with the Civil Rights Act of 1964, or to provide Adult Placement Services to individuals residing in those homes or facilities.
 - (A) A list of all licensed domiciliary homes, and group homes operated by or under contract with area mental health authorities which have signed a Civil Rights Compliance Statement are published quarterly by the Adult and Family Services Section of the Division of Social Services. This list may be obtained at no cost by contacting the Adult and Family Services Section at (919) 733-7145 or 325 N. Salisbury Street, 2405 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC, 27699-2405.
 - (B) A list of licensed health care facilities which are Medicaid or Medicare certified, and therefore have signed a statement of compliance with the Civil Rights Act of 1964, is available from the Certification Section of the Division of Health Service Regulation by request. This list may be obtained at no cost by contacting the Licensure and Certification Section at (919) 733-7461 or 2711 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC, 27699-2711.
 - (C) In addition to procedures in Parts (a)(1)(A) and (B) of this Rule, the inclusion of a statement of compliance with the Civil Rights Act of 1964 in the home or facility's admissions policies, or the posting of a Medicaid or Medicare certification in a nursing home, will indicate compliance.
- (2) If the social worker cannot determine compliance with the Civil Rights Act of 1964 according to Parts (a)(1)(A), (B), or (C) of this Rule, referrals, planning for placement, and services to individuals in those homes or facilities must not be provided.

(b) When an available and appropriate placement for a client has been located, the social worker will assist the client and his family or representative in planning for and facilitating the admissions process. If the client, family or representative is not able or willing to follow admissions procedures, the social worker will provide more direct assistance as needed to facilitate the placement.

(c) The social worker must coordinate with income maintenance staff (if applicable) to assure that eligibility for State/County Special Assistance for Adults or Medicaid is established, assure that there is an understanding between the facility and client about how payment will be made, or assist the client in making alternate arrangements prior to the date of placement.

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