

**10A NCAC 13B .1930 VENTILATOR DEPENDENCE**

The general requirements in this Subchapter shall apply when applicable. In addition, facilities having patients requiring the use of ventilators for more than eight hours a day must meet the following requirements:

- (1) Respiratory therapy shall be provided and supervised by a respiratory therapist currently registered by the National Board for Respiratory Care. The respiratory therapist shall:
  - (a) make, as a minimum, weekly on-site assessments of each patient receiving ventilator support with corresponding progress notes;
  - (b) be on-call 24 hours daily; and
  - (c) assist the pulmonologist and nursing staff in establishing ventilator policies and procedures, including emergency policies and procedures.
- (2) Direct nursing care staffing shall be in accordance with Rule .1912 of this Section.

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