SECTION .0400 - THE FACILITY

10A NCAC 06R .0401 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

(a) The facility and grounds of an adult day care program shall be approved by the local environmental health specialist, the local fire safety inspector, the county department of social services, and the North Carolina Division of Aging and Adult Services.

(b) The facility shall comply with all applicable zoning laws.

(c) There shall be adaptable spaces, as defined in Rule .0201(2) of this Subchapter, suitable for activities for participants. Spaces shall provide opportunities for participants to get together as a group as well as privacy for quiet times.

(d) The facility shall provide at least 40 square feet of indoor space for each participant in the portion of the buildings utilized for adult day care programs. This minimum square footage excludes hallways, offices, and restrooms.

(e) If meals are prepared within the facility, the kitchen shall meet environmental health rules, as defined in 15A NCAC 18A .3300.

(f) Storage areas must be adequate in size and number for storage of clean linens, dirty linens, cleaning materials, household supplies, food, equipment, and program supplies. A separate locked area for storing poisons, chemicals or other potentially harmful products (cleaning fluids, disinfectants, etc.) shall be provided.

(g) A minimum of one male and one female toilet shall be located in each facility and accessible in accordance with the North Carolina Accessibility Code, which is hereby incorporated by reference, including any subsequent amendments or additions and can be obtained through the North Carolina Department of Insurance, 1202 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1202 at a cost of sixty-two dollars and 00/100 ($62.00). One toilet shall be available for each 12 adults, including staff and participants who utilize the facility. One hand lavatory shall be provided for each two toilets.

(h) All rugs and floor coverings must be fastened down. Loose throw rugs are not allowed. Floors shall not be slippery.

(i) A telephone shall be available for participants to make and receive calls~~. A pay station telephone is not acceptable for local calls.~~

(j) Unless identified by the Division of Aging and Adult Services as shared space, the area certified for adult day care shall be used for the sole purpose of the adult day care program and its activities during hours of program operation.

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