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.