

**10A NCAC 27G .3702 STAFF**

- (a) The staff of the day treatment facility shall include a minimum of one full-time or equivalent certified alcoholism, drug abuse or substance abuse counselor for every 16 or fewer clients.
- (b) If the facility falls below the prescribed ratio in Paragraph (a) of this Rule, and is unable to employ an individual who is certified because of the unavailability of certified persons in the facility's hiring area, then it may employ an uncertified person, provided that this employee meets the certification requirements within a maximum of 26 months from the date of his employment.
- (c) In facilities which provide services to minors, a minimum of two staff members shall be present with minor clients at all times, and a minimum ratio of one staff member to each eight or fewer clients shall be maintained. In the event that only one minor client is in the facility, only one staff member is required to be present.
- (d) Each facility shall have at least one staff member on duty trained in the following areas:
  - (1) alcohol and other drug withdrawal symptoms; and
  - (2) symptoms of secondary complications due to alcoholism and drug addiction.
- (e) Each direct care staff member shall receive continuing education to include understanding of the nature of addiction, the withdrawal syndrome, group therapy, family therapy and other treatment methodologies.
- (f) Each direct care staff member in a day treatment facility that serves minors shall receive specialized training in youth development and therapeutic techniques in working with youth.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 122C-26; 143B-147;  
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