SECTION .4300 - THERAPEUTIC COMMUNITY

10A NCAC 27G .4301 SCOPE

- (a) A Therapeutic Community is a highly structured, supervised, 24-hour residential facility designed to treat the behavioral and emotional issues of individuals to promote self-sufficiency and a crime and drug-free lifestyle.
- (b) The Therapeutic Community shall emphasize self-help, abstinence from drugs and alcohol, personal growth, peer support, and may serve as an alternative to incarceration.
- (c) Services shall be designed to create the environment of an extended family in which individuals develop self-esteem, construct a productive lifestyle through peer support and actual experience, leading to a successful re-entry into the larger community.
- (d) The facility shall provide or ensure access to a variety of intensive therapy and program milieu approaches designed to confront and modify the client's anti-social and dysfunctional behavior.
- (e) The goal shall be to assist the client in learning socially acceptable skills for coping with responsibilities and relationships, and to maintain a lifestyle which is substance abuse free.
- (f) Consideration shall be given to meeting client needs in social, medical, psychological, vocational and educational areas.
- (g) If children are residing in a Therapeutic Community, the facility shall also meet the rules for Therapeutic Homes for Individuals with Substance Abuse Disorders and Their Children set forth in Section .4100 of this Subchapter except for 10 NCAC 27G .4102(c), .4102(e), .4103(2), and .4104(b).

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