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- (a) Each facility shall maintain staff to client ratios that ensure the health and safety of clients served in the facility.
- (b) Staff with training and experience in the provision of care to the needs of clients shall be present at all times when clients are in the facility.
- (c) The facility shall have the capacity to bring additional staff on site to provide more intensive supervision, treatment, or management in response to the needs of individual clients.
- (d) The treatment of each client shall be under the supervision of a physician, and a physician shall be on call on a 24-hour per day basis.
- (e) Each direct care staff member shall have access at all times to qualified professionals who are qualified in the disability area(s) of the clients with whom the staff is working.
- (f) Each direct care staff member shall be trained and have basic knowledge about mental illnesses and psychotropic medications and their side effects; mental retardation and other developmental disabilities and accompanying behaviors; the nature of addiction and recovery and the withdrawal syndrome; and treatment methodologies for adults and children in crisis.
- (g) Staff supervision shall be provided by a qualified professional as appropriate to the client's needs.

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

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