

10A NCAC 71F .0104 SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT THROUGH THERAPEUTIC GROUPS/DEFINITIONS

- (a) "Structured Group" means a company of individuals brought together for a particular purpose with membership being selected purposefully on the basis of common characteristics, needs or problems that can be expected to be affected through group interaction.
- (b) "Therapeutic Group" means a structured company of individuals who meet together with a skilled leader for the purpose of:
- (1) learning to cope with personal problems,
 - (2) developing capacities for more adequate social and personal function,
 - (3) relieving social isolation,
 - (4) increasing understanding between the group and the service agency.
- (c) "Handicapped" means impaired in mind or body with reasonable certainty that, because of the irremediable character of the impairment, the impairment cannot be improved, corrected or ameliorated and will continue at the same level of seriousness throughout the lifetime of the individual, and the individual must learn to function within the set parameters of the impairment.
- (d) "Developmentally Disabled" means a disability attributable to mental retardation, cerebral palsy, epilepsy, or other neurological handicapping condition of any individual found to be closely related to mental retardation or to require treatment similar to that required by mentally retarded individuals.
- (e) "School Age" means age 5 through 15, or age 16 and older and attending or enrolled in school through grade 12.
- (f) "Family" means the basic unit consisting of one or more adults and children, if any, residing in the same household.
- (g) "Youth" means an individual who has not reached his or her eighteenth birthday.
- (h) "Delinquent Behavior" means behavior within the scope of the definition of delinquent juvenile in G.S. 7A-517.
- (i) "Undisciplined Behavior" means behavior within the scope of the definition of undisciplined juvenile in G.S. 7A-517.

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