

HEALTH FACILITIES LICENSING – Proposed Amendments and Proposed New Regulation

R.61-16, Minimum Standards for Licensing Hospitals and Institutional General Infirmaries

State Register Document 4740

Summary:

The Department of Health and Environmental Control is amending Regulation 61-16. These amendments are necessary to incorporate recent changes in state law as well as changes to current practices and standards. The amendment incorporates provisions allowing dietitians to prescribe diets and other dietary services; incorporate requirements of S.C. Code Sections 44-41-410 through -480 relating to the provision of abortion services; incorporate existing inspection and construction fees; and incorporate new safe haven requirements.

Link to Notice of Final Regulation: <http://www.scstatehouse.gov/regs/4740.docx>

History and Status:

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General Assembly review period of Notice of Final Regulation began:	January 2018
Notice of Final Regulation published; Amendment takes legal effect:	May 25, 2018

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R.61-78, Standards for Licensing Hospices

State Register Document 4800

Summary:

On May 19, 2017, Governor Henry McMaster signed into law Act No. 61 amending the Hospice Licensure Act. The Department proposes amending R.61-78 to incorporate the provisions of Act No. 61 into its oversight of hospices. The Department may also include stylistic changes, which may include corrections

for clarity and readability, grammar, punctuation, definitions, references, codification, and overall improvement of the text of the regulation. Legislative review is required.

Link to Notice of Final Regulation submitted for legislative review:

<http://www.scstatehouse.gov/regs/4800.docx>

History and Status:

Notice of Drafting published:	June 23, 2017
Drafting comment period closed:	July 24, 2017
Board approval to publish Notice of Proposed Regulation:	November 9, 2017
Notice of Proposed Regulation published:	November 24, 2017
Proposed regulation comment period closed:	December 27, 2017
Public Hearing:	February 8, 2018
General Assembly review period of Notice of Final Regulation began:	February 2018

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R.61-125, Proposed New Regulation for Crisis Stabilization Unit Facilities

State Register Document 4809

Summary:

The Department of Health and Environmental Control (“Department”) proposes a new regulation to establish licensure and regulatory requirements for Crisis Stabilization Unit (“CSU”) Facilities. These facilities provide a short-term residential program offering psychiatric stabilization services and brief, intensive crisis services to individuals eighteen (18) years of age or older, twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week. Legislative review is required.

Link to Notice of Final Regulation submitted for legislative review:

<http://www.scstatehouse.gov/regs/4809.docx>

***Note: This Notice of Final Regulation did not receive a joint resolution of approval or meet the requisite 120 days of legislative review. As such, the amendments have not taken legal effect.

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