2023 Updated Regulations South Carolina Board of Long Term Health Care Administrators

Updated Regulations

<u>Several regulations</u> for the South Carolina Board of Long Term Health Care Administrators, found in Chapter 93, have been updated and are **effective May 26, 2023**.

Specifically, these changes are as follows:

- Regulation 93-50. General Definitions rearranged in alphabetical order.
- Regulation 93-50, has added the following definitions:
 - D. "Direct Resident Care Responsibilities" shall mean activities performed by a caregiver that are specific to a resident. Direct care activities are as follows:
 - 1. "Hands-on" care of physical assistance, including, but not limited to, assistance with activities of daily living (e.g. bathing, dressing, eating, range of motion, toileting, transferring and ambulation); assist with medical treatments and/or medication administration.
 - 2. Assistance with physical or psychosocial assessments; and
 - 3. Documentation, if conducted for treatment or care purposes.
 - F. "Equitably distributed" means either
 - 1. Four (4) hours may be scheduled each day, Monday through Friday, or
 - 2. Up to five (5) hours can be accumulated on Saturday and Sunday and, if hours are accumulated on weekends, the hours worked Monday through Friday must be distributed over portions of at least three days.
 - G. "Full-time" means no less than thirty (30) hours per week.
 - K. "Normal Business Hours" means the hours between 0700 (7:00 a.m.) and 1900 (7:00 p.m.)

L. "On site or available" means accessible directly or by electronic means and able to respond immediately. An administrator is not "available" during the time he or she is providing service to another employer or business.

• Regulation 93-50 definitions have been revised as follows:

P. "Preceptor" is defined as a person who is a licensed nursing home administrator or a licensed community residential care facility administrator and meets the requirements of the Board to supervise an administrator-in-training during the training period as delineated in Regulation 93-80.

- Regulation 93-70.C, has been revised to strengthen the ability of an applicant, who was declared ineligible for examination, by requiring the Board to include an explanation for the denial and the right for the applicate to request a hearing.
- Regulation 93-80.C, Administrator-in-Training Program has been revised to allow a broader pool of potential preceptors for an AIT candidate.
- Regulation 93-80.G, has been revised to remove the manual fee imposed on the preceptor.
- Regulation 93-80.K has been revised to strengthen the AIT program by requiring the preceptor to provide "ongoing performance reviews".
- Regulation 93-110. Examination, Scheduling and Grading, has been revised to examinations administered by a "Board approved testing provider".
- Regulation 93-110 (C), (D), and (G) were removed from the regulations.
- Regulation 93-110.J was re-lettered to (I) and revised to more accurately reflect current testing terminology.
- Regulation 93-120.A, Amended to specifically provide for "Dual Licensee." Regulation 93-120.B section was removed from the regulations.

- Regulation 93-130 Provisional License requirements were clarified. Regulation 93-200(F) provides guidance on program delivery methods for continuing education. The section defines on-site and online live instruction, as well as live instruction itself. It states that 50% of required CEs must be obtained via live instruction. An alternative to live instruction is also defined, online pre-recorded instruction, which allows the participant to have control over the time, place and pace of learning through use of electronic media. The section also spells out the terms for obtaining a hardship waiver for continuing education requirements.
- Regulation 93-210 is amended to provide clarification of the requirements for reinstatement of lapsed licenses.

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