

**MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**  
**CERTIFICATE OF NEED (CON) REVIEW STANDARDS**  
**FOR NURSING HOME AND HOSPITAL LONG-TERM-CARE UNIT (HLTCU) BEDS**

(By authority conferred on the CON Commission by Section 22215 of Act No. 368 of the Public Acts of 1978, as amended, and sections 7 and 8 of Act No. 306 of the Public Acts of 1969, as amended, being sections 333.22215, 24.207, and 24.208 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.)

**Section 1. Applicability**

Sec. 1. (1) These standards are requirements for approval under Part 222 of the Code that involve a) beginning operation of a new nursing home/HLTCU, (b) replacing beds in a nursing home/HLTCU or physically relocating nursing home/HLTCU beds from one licensed site to another geographic location, (c) increasing licensed beds in a nursing home/HLTCU licensed under Part 217 and a HLTCU defined in Section 20106(6), or (d) acquiring a nursing home/HLTCU. Pursuant to the Code, a nursing home/HLTCU is a covered health facility. The Department shall use these standards in applying Section 22225(1) of the Code, being Section 333.22225(1) of the Michigan Compiled Laws and Section 22225(2)(c) of the Code, being Section 333.22225(2)(c) of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

(2) An increase in licensed nursing home/HLTCU beds is a change in bed capacity for purposes of Part 222 of the Code.

(3) The physical relocation of nursing home/HLTCU beds from a licensed site to another geographic location is a change in bed capacity for purposes of Part 222 of the Code.

**Section 2. Definitions**

Sec. 2. (1) As used in these standards:

(a) "Acquisition of an existing nursing home/HLTCU" means the issuance of a new nursing home/HLTCU license as the result of the acquisition (including purchase, lease, donation, or other comparable arrangement) of an existing licensed and operating nursing home/HLTCU and which does not involve a change in bed capacity of that health facility.

(b) "ADC adjustment factor" means the factor by which the average daily census (ADC), derived during the bed need methodology calculation set forth in Section 3(2)(d) for each planning area, is divided. The ADC adjustment factor is 0.90 for all planning areas.

(c) "Applicant's cash" means the total unrestricted cash, designated funds, and restricted funds reported by the applicant as the source of funds in the application. If the project includes space lease costs, the applicant's cash includes the contribution designated for the project from the landlord.

(d) "Average occupancy rate" is calculated as follows:

(i) Calculate the number of patient days, for which verifiable data are available to the Department, during the most recent, consecutive 12-month period, as of the date of the application.

(ii) Calculate the total licensed bed days for the same 12-month period as in (i) above by multiplying the total licensed beds and CON approved but not yet licensed beds by the total number of days they were licensed or CON approved but not yet licensed.

(iii) Divide the number of patient days calculated in (i) above by the total licensed bed days calculated in (ii) above, then multiply the result by 100.

(e) "Base year" means 1987 or the most recent year for which verifiable data collected as part of the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services Annual Survey of Long-Term-Care Facilities or other comparable MDHHS survey instrument are available.

(f) "Certificate of Need Commission" or "Commission" means the commission created pursuant to Section 22211 of the Code, being Section 333.22211 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

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(g) "Code" means Act No. 368 of the Public Acts of 1978, as amended, being Section 333.1101 et seq. of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

(h) "Common ownership or control" means a nursing home, regardless of the state in which it is located, that is owned by, is under common control of, or has a common parent as the applicant nursing home pursuant to the definition of common ownership or control utilized by the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA).

(i) "Comparative group" means the applications which have been grouped for the same type of project in the same planning area or statewide special pool group and which are being reviewed comparatively in accordance with the CON rules.

(j) "Converted space" means existing space in a health facility that is not currently licensed as part of the nursing home/HLTCU and is proposed to be licensed as nursing home or HLTCU space. An example is proposing to license home for the aged space as nursing home space.

(k) "Department" means the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS).

(l) "Department inventory of beds" means the current list, for each planning area maintained on a continuing basis by the Department:

(i) Licensed nursing home beds, and

(ii) Nursing home beds approved by a valid CON issued under Part 222 of the Code which are not yet licensed. It does not include:

(A) Nursing home beds approved from the statewide pool, and

(B) Short-term nursing care program beds approved pursuant to Section 22210 of the Code, being Section 333.22210 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

(m) "Existing nursing home beds" means, for a specific planning area, the total of all nursing home beds located within the planning area including:

(i) Licensed nursing home beds,

(ii) nursing home beds approved by a valid CON issued under Part 222 of the Code which are not yet licensed,

(iii) proposed nursing home beds under appeal from a final Department decision made under Part 222 or pending a hearing from a proposed decision issued under Part 222 of the Code, and

(iv) proposed nursing home beds that are part of a completed application under Part 222 of the Code which is pending final Department decision.

(A) Nursing home beds approved from the statewide pool are excluded; and

(B) short-term nursing care program beds approved pursuant to Section 22210 of the Code, being Section 333.22210 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, are excluded.

(n) "Health service area" or "HSA" means the geographic area established for a health systems agency pursuant to former Section 1511 of the Public Health Service Act and set forth in Appendix A.

(o) "Hospital long-term-care unit" or "HLTCU" means a nursing care facility, owned and operated by and as part of a hospital, that provides organized nursing care and medical treatment to seven (7) or more unrelated individuals suffering or recovering from illness, injury, or infirmity.

(p) "Licensed only facility" means a licensed nursing home that is not certified for Medicare or Medicaid.

(q) "Licensed site" means the location of the health facility authorized by license and listed on that licensee's certificate of licensure.

(r) "Medicaid" means title XIX of the social security act, chapter 531, 49 Stat. 620, 1396 to 1396g and 1396i to 1396u.

**(s) "METROPOLITAN COUNTIES" MEANS COUNTIES DESIGNATED BY THE FEDERAL OFFICE OF RURAL HEALTH POLICY (FORHP) AS NON-FULLY ELIGIBLE COUNTIES.**

(~~ts~~) "New design model" means a nursing home/HLTCU built in accordance with specified design requirements as identified in the applicable sections.

(~~ut~~) "Nursing home" means a nursing care facility, including a county medical care facility, but excluding a hospital or a facility created by Act No. 152 of the Public Acts of 1885, as amended, being sections 36.1 to 36.12 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, that provides organized nursing care and medical treatment to seven (7) or more unrelated individuals suffering or recovering from illness, injury, or

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infirmity. This term applies to the licensee only and not the real property owner if different than the licensee.

(14) "Nursing home bed" means a bed in a health facility licensed under Part 217 of the Code or a licensed bed in a hospital long-term-care unit. The term does not include short-term nursing care program beds approved pursuant to Section 22210 of the Code being Section 333.22210 of the Michigan Compiled Laws or beds in health facilities listed in Section 22205(2) of the Code, being Section 333.22205(2) of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

(15) "Planning area" means the geographic boundaries of each county in Michigan with the exception of: (i) Houghton and Keweenaw counties, which are combined to form one planning area and (ii) Wayne County which is divided into three planning areas. Section 12 identifies the three planning areas in Wayne County and the specific geographic area included in each.

(16) "Planning year" means a year in the future, at least three (3) years but no more than seven (7) years, for which nursing home bed needs are developed. The planning year shall be a year for which official population projections from the Department of Technology, Management, and Budget, or its designee, are available.

(17) "Proposed licensed site" means the physical location and address (or legal description of property) of the proposed project or within 250 yards of the physical location and address (or legal description of property) and within the same planning area of the proposed project that will be authorized by license and will be listed on that licensee's certificate of licensure.

(18) "Relocation of existing nursing home/HLTCU beds" means a change in the location of existing nursing home/HLTCU beds from the licensed site to a different existing licensed site within the planning area.

(19) "Renewal of lease" means execution of a lease between the licensee and a real property owner in which the total lease costs exceed the capital expenditure threshold.

(20) "Replacement bed" means a change in the location of the licensed nursing home/HLTCU, the replacement of a portion of the licensed beds at the same licensed site, or the replacement of a portion of the licensed beds pursuant to the new model design. The nursing home/HLTCU beds will be in new physical plant space being developed in new construction or in newly acquired space (purchase, lease, donation, etc.) within the replacement zone.

(21) "Replacement zone" means **THE FOLLOWING DEPENDING ON THE LOCATION OF THE a** proposed licensed site **that is:**

(i) for a **PROPOSED LICENSED SITE THAT FALLS WITHIN A** rural **or micropolitan statistical** area **county, NOT WITHIN A METROPOLITAN COUNTY, THE REPLACEMENT ZONE IS** within the same planning area as the existing licensed site.

(ii) for a **PROPOSED LICENSED SITE THAT FALLS WITHIN A METROPOLITAN** county that is not a rural **or micropolitan statistical** area **county, THE REPLACEMENT ZONE IS WITHIN THE SAME PLANNING AREA AS THE EXISTING LICENSED SITE AND WITHIN A THREE-MILE RADIUS OF THE EXISTING LICENSED SITE.**

**(A) within the same planning area as the existing licensed site and**

**(B) within a three-mile radius of the existing licensed site.**

**(iii) FOR A PROPOSED LICENSED SITE THAT FALLS WITHIN A PORTION OF A METROPOLITAN COUNTY THAT IS A RURAL AREA, THE REPLACEMENT ZONE IS DEPENDENT ON WHETHER THE EXISTING LICENSED SITE IS LOCATED IN A RURAL AREA**

**(A) IF THE EXISTING LICENSED SITE IS IN A RURAL AREA, THE REPLACEMENT ZONE IS IN ANY RURAL AREA, OR WITHIN THREE MILES, WITHIN THE SAME PLANNING AREA AS THE EXISTING LICENSED SITE.**

**(B) IF THE EXISTING LICENSED SITE IS NOT IN A RURAL AREA, THE REPLACEMENT ZONE IS WITHIN THE SAME PLANNING AREA AS THE EXISTING LICENSED SITE AND WITHIN A THREE-MILE RADIUS OF THE EXISTING LICENSED SITE.**

**(dd) "RURAL AREA" MEANS THE COUNTIES DESIGNATED BY THE FEDERAL OFFICE OF RURAL HEALTH POLICY (FORHP) AS BEING FULLY ELIGIBLE FOR RURAL HEALTH GRANT PROGRAMS OR THE CENSUS TRACTS WITHIN METROPOLITAN COUNTIES THAT HAVE BEEN**

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DETERMINED BY THE FORHP TO MEET THE CRITERIA TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR RURAL HEALTH GRANT PROGRAMS. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL UTILIZE THE MOST RECENT LIST OF AREAS ELIGIBLE FOR RURAL HEALTH GRANT PROGRAMS PUBLISHED BY FORHP IN MAKING THIS DETERMINATION. 1

~~(eee)~~ "Use rate" means the number of nursing home and hospital long-term-care unit days of care per 1,000 population during a one-year period.

- (2) The definitions in Part 222 of the Code shall apply to these standards.

### Section 3. Determination of needed nursing home bed supply

Sec. 3. (1)(a) The age specific use rates for the planning year shall be the actual statewide age specific nursing home use rates using data from the base year.

(b) The age cohorts for each planning area shall be: (i) age 0 - 64 years, (ii) age 65 - 74 years, (iii) age 75 - 84 years, and (iv) age 85 and older.

(c) Until the base year is changed by the Commission in accord with Section 4(3) and Section 5, the use rates for the base year per 1000 population for each corresponding age cohort, established in accord with subsection (1)(b), are posted on the State of Michigan CON web site.

(2) The number of nursing home beds needed in a planning area shall be determined by the following formula:

(a) For each HSA and for each age cohort established in subsection (1)(b), perform the following calculations:

(i) Determine the patient days and population for the base year and three years prior to the base year.

(ii) Determine the patient day utilization rate per 1000 people for the base year and three years prior to the base year by dividing the patient days by the population and multiplying by 1000.

(iii) Determine the average yearly change in the patient day utilization rate for the three-year period by subtracting the utilization rate in the base year from the utilization rate from three years prior and dividing by three.

(iv) Multiply the average yearly change in the patient day utilization rate by the number of years between the base year and the planning year to calculate total expected change in the patient day utilization rate.

(v) Add the total expected change in the patient day utilization rate to the patient day utilization rate to calculate the patient day utilization rate in the planning year.

(vi) Determine the "high" and "low" patient day utilization rate thresholds by multiplying the patient day utilization rate in the planning year by 1.2 and 0.8.

(b) For each planning area, perform the following calculations:

(i) Determine the patient days and population for the base year.

(ii) Determine the patient day utilization rate per 1000 people for the base year dividing the patient days by the population and multiplying by 1000.

(iii) For each age cohort, compare the patient day utilization rate to the patient day utilization rate thresholds of the HSA in which the planning area is located.

(A) If the planning area utilization rate is greater than the HSA high threshold, replace the planning area utilization rate with the HSA high threshold value.

(B) If the planning area utilization rate is less than the HSA high threshold, replace the planning area utilization rate with the HSA low threshold value.

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(C) If the planning area utilization rate falls between the HSA low and high thresholds, it is unchanged.

(iv) For each age cohort, multiply the predicted population in the planning year by the planning area utilization rate determined in subsection (2)(b)(iii) to calculate the predicted number of patient days in the planning year.

(v) Sum the predicted number of patient days in the planning year for each age cohort to calculate the total predicted patient days.

(vi) Divide the total predicted patient days by 365 (or 366 for leap years) to obtain the predicted average daily census (ADC).

(vii) Divide the ADC by 0.90 to obtain the number of beds needed for the planning area in the planning year.

### **Section 4. Bed need**

Sec. 4. (1) The bed need numbers shall apply to project applications subject to review under these standards, except where a specific CON standard states otherwise.

(2) The Department shall apply the bed need methodology in Section 3 on a biennial basis.

(3) The base year and the planning year that shall be utilized in applying the methodology pursuant to subsection (2) shall be set according to the most recent data available to the Department.

(4) The effective date of the bed need numbers shall be established by the Commission.

(5) New bed need numbers established by subsections (2) and (3) shall supersede previous bed need numbers and shall be posted on the state of Michigan CON web site as part of the Nursing Home/HLTCU Bed Inventory.

(6) Modifications made by the Commission pursuant to this section shall not require standard advisory committee action, a public hearing, or submittal of the standard to the Legislature and the Governor in order to become effective.

### **Section 5. Modification of the age specific use rates by changing the base year**

Sec. 5. (1) The base year shall be modified based on data obtained from the Department and presented to the Commission. The Department shall calculate use rates for each of the age cohorts set forth in Section 3(1)(b) and biennially present the revised use rates based on 2006 information, or the most recent base year information available biennially after 2006, to the CON Commission.

(2) The Commission shall establish the effective date of the modifications made pursuant to subsection (1).

(3) Modifications made by the Commission pursuant to subsection (1) shall not require standard advisory committee action, a public hearing, or submittal of the standard to the Legislature and the Governor in order to become effective.

### **Section 6. Requirements for approval to increase beds in a planning area**

Sec. 6. An applicant proposing to increase the number of nursing home beds in a planning area must meet the following as applicable:

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(1) An applicant proposing to increase the number of nursing home beds in a planning area by beginning operation of a new nursing home/HLTCU or increasing the number of beds to an existing licensed nursing home/HLTCU shall demonstrate the following:

(a) At the time of application, the applicant, as identified in the table, shall provide a report demonstrating that it does not meet any of the following conditions in 14%, but not more than five, of its nursing homes/HLTCUs:

Type of Applicant	Reporting Requirement
Applicant with only Michigan nursing homes/HLTCUs	All Michigan nursing homes/HLTCUs under common ownership or control
Applicant with 10 or more Michigan nursing homes/HLTCUs and out of state nursing homes/HLTCUs	All Michigan nursing homes/HLTCUs under common ownership or control
Applicant with fewer than 10 Michigan nursing homes/HLTCUs and out of state nursing homes/HLTCUs	All Michigan and out of state nursing homes/HLTCUs under common ownership or control

(i) A state enforcement action resulting in a license revocation, reduced license capacity, or receivership within the last three years, or from the change of ownership date if the facility has come under common ownership or control within 24 months of the date of the application.

(ii) A filing for bankruptcy within the last three years, or from the change of ownership date if the facility has come under common ownership or control within 24 months of the date of the application.

(iii) Termination of a Medical Assistance Provider Enrollment and Trading Partner Agreement initiated by the Department or licensing and certification agency in another state, within the last three years, or from the change of ownership date if the facility has come under common ownership or control within 24 months of the date of the application.

(iv) A number of citations at Level D or above, excluding life safety code citations, on the scope and severity grid on two consecutive standard surveys that exceeds twice the statewide average, calculated from the quarter in which the standard survey was completed, in the state in which the nursing home/HLTCU is located. For licensed only facilities, a number of citations at two times the average of all licensed only facilities on the last two licensing surveys. However, if the facility has come under common ownership or control within 24 months of the date of the application, the first two licensing surveys as of the change of ownership date, shall be excluded.

(v) Currently listed as a special focus nursing home by the Center for Medicare and Medicaid services.

(vi) Delinquent debt obligation to the State of Michigan including, but not limited to:

(A) Quality Assurance Assessment Program (QAAP),

(B) Preadmission Screening and Annual Resident Review (PASARR), or

(C) Civil Monetary Penalties (CMP).

(b) The applicant certifies that the requirements found in the Minimum Design Standards for Health Care Facilities of Michigan, referenced in Section 20145 (6) of the Public Health Code, Act 368 of 1978, as amended and are published by the Department, will be met when the architectural blueprints are submitted for review and approval by the Department.

(c) A Plan of Correction for cited state or federal code deficiencies at the health facility, if any, has been submitted and approved by LARA. Code deficiencies include any unresolved deficiencies still outstanding with LARA.

(d) The proposed increase, if approved, will not result in the total number of existing nursing home beds in that planning area exceeding the needed nursing home bed supply, unless one of the following is met:

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(i) An applicant may request and be approved for up to a maximum of 20 beds if, when the total number of "existing nursing home beds" is subtracted from the bed need for the planning area, the difference is equal to or more than 1 and equal to or less than 20. This subsection is not applicable to projects seeking approval for beds from the statewide pool of beds.

(ii) An applicant may request and be approved for up to a maximum of 20 beds if the following requirements are met:

(A) The applicant facility has experienced an average occupancy rate of 92% for the most recent 12 consecutive months and 90% or above for the prior 12 months as verifiable by the Department as of the date an application is submitted to the Department.

(B) The applicant facility has not decreased the number of licensed beds within the 24 months preceding the application date.

(C) The applicant facility shall propose no more than two beds per resident room and shall eliminate all three and/or four bed wards within the existing facility, if applicable, as part of the proposed project.

(D) The applicant facility shall certify the new beds for both Medicare and Medicaid.

(E) The applicant facility shall not relocate any beds from the facility or replace a portion of beds to a new site pursuant to Section 7(3)(d), following CON approval and for at least 24 months from the date of the licensure of the new beds at the facility.

(2) An applicant proposing to increase the number of nursing home beds in a planning area by beginning operation of a new nursing home/HLTCU or increasing the number of beds to an existing licensed nursing home/HLTCU pursuant to the new design model shall demonstrate the following:

(a) At the time of application, the applicant, as identified in the table, shall provide a report demonstrating that it does not meet any of the following conditions in 14%, but not more than five, of its nursing homes/HLTCUs:

Type of Applicant	Reporting Requirement
Applicant with only Michigan nursing homes/HLTCUs	All Michigan nursing homes/HLTCUs under common ownership or control
Applicant with 10 or more Michigan nursing homes/HLTCUs and out of state nursing homes/HLTCUs	All Michigan nursing homes/HLTCUs under common ownership or control
Applicant with fewer than 10 Michigan nursing homes/HLTCUs and out of state nursing homes/HLTCUs	All Michigan and out of state nursing homes/HLTCUs under common ownership or control

(i) A state enforcement action resulting in a license revocation, reduced license capacity, or receivership within the last three years, or from the change of ownership date if the facility has come under common ownership or control within 24 months of the date of the application.

(ii) A filing for bankruptcy within the last three years, or from the change of ownership date if the facility has come under common ownership or control within 24 months of the date of the application.

(iii) Termination of a Medical Assistance Provider Enrollment and Trading Partner Agreement initiated by the Department or licensing and certification agency in another state, within the last three years, or from the change of ownership date if the facility has come under common ownership or control within 24 months of the date of the application.

(iv) A number of citations at Level D or above, excluding life safety code citations, on the scope and severity grid on two consecutive standard surveys that exceeds twice the statewide average, calculated from the quarter in which the standard survey was completed, in the state in which the nursing home/HLTCU is located. For licensed only facilities, a number of citations at two times the average of all licensed only facilities on the last two licensing surveys. However, if the facility has come under common ownership or control within 24 months of the date of the application, the first two licensing surveys as of the change of ownership date, shall be excluded.

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- (v) Currently listed as a special focus nursing home by the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services.
- (vi) Delinquent debt obligation to the State of Michigan including, but not limited to:
  - (A) Quality Assurance Assessment Program (QAAP),
  - (B) Preadmission Screening and Annual Resident Review (PASARR), or
  - (C) Civil Monetary Penalties (CMP).
- (b) The proposed project results in no more than 100 beds per new design model and meets the following design standards:
  - (i) For inpatient facilities that are not limited to group resident housing of 10 beds or less, the construction standards shall be those applicable to nursing homes in the document entitled Minimum Design Standards for Health Care Facilities in Michigan and incorporated by reference in Section 20145(6) of the Public Health Code, being Section 333.20145(6) of the Michigan Compiled Laws or any future versions.
  - (ii) For small resident housing units of 10 beds or less that are supported by a central support inpatient facility, the construction standards shall be those applicable to hospice residences providing an inpatient level of care, except that:
    - (A) at least 100% of all resident sleeping rooms shall meet barrier free requirements;
    - (B) electronic nurse call systems shall be required in all facilities;
    - (C) handrails shall be required on both sides of patient corridors; and
    - (D) ceiling heights shall be a minimum of 7 feet 10 inches.
  - (iii) The proposed project shall comply with applicable life safety code requirements and shall be fully sprinkled and air conditioned.
  - (iv) The Department may waive construction requirements for new design model projects if authorized by law.
- (c) The proposed project shall include at least 80% single occupancy resident rooms with an adjoining toilet room containing a sink, water closet, and bathing facility and serving no more than two residents in both the central support inpatient facility and any supported small resident housing units.
- (d) The proposed increase, if approved, will not result in the total number of existing nursing home beds in that planning area exceeding the needed nursing home bed supply, unless the following is met:
  - (i) An approved project involves replacement of a portion of the beds of an existing facility at a geographic location within the replacement zone that is not physically connected to the current licensed site. If a portion of the beds are replaced at a location that is not the current licensed site, a separate license shall be issued to the facility at the new location.
  - (e) A Plan of Correction for cited state or federal code deficiencies at the health facility, if any, has been submitted and approved by LARA. Code deficiencies include any unresolved deficiencies still outstanding with LARA.

### Section 7. Requirements for approval to replace beds

Sec. 7. An applicant proposing to replace beds must meet the following as applicable.

(1) An applicant proposing to replace beds within the replacement zone shall not be required to be in compliance with the needed nursing home bed supply if all of the following requirements are met:

(a) At the time of application, the applicant, as identified in the table, shall provide a report demonstrating that it does not meet any of the following conditions in 14%, but not more than five, of its nursing homes/HLTCUs:

Type of Applicant	Reporting Requirement
Applicant with only Michigan nursing homes/HLTCUs	All Michigan nursing homes/HLTCUs under common ownership or control
Applicant with 10 or more Michigan nursing homes/HLTCUs and out of state nursing homes/HLTCUs	All Michigan nursing homes/HLTCUs under common ownership or control

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Applicant with fewer than 10 Michigan nursing homes/HLTCUS and out of state nursing homes/HLTCUs	All Michigan and out of state nursing homes/HLTCUs under common ownership or control
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(i) A state enforcement action resulting in a license revocation, reduced license capacity, or receivership within the last three years, or from the change of ownership date if the facility has come under common ownership or control within 24 months of the date of the application.

(ii) A filing for bankruptcy within the last three years, or from the change of ownership date if the facility has come under common ownership or control within 24 months of the date of the application.

(iii) Termination of a Medical Assistance Provider Enrollment and Trading Partner Agreement initiated by the Department or licensing and certification agency in another state, within the last three years, or from the change of ownership date if the facility has come under common ownership or control within 24 months of the date of the application.

(iv) A number of citations at Level D or above, excluding life safety code citations, on the scope and severity grid on two consecutive standard surveys that exceeds twice the statewide average, calculated from the quarter in which the standard survey was completed, in the state in which the nursing home/HLTCU is located. For licensed only facilities, a number of citations at two times the average of all licensed only facilities on the last two licensing surveys. However, if the facility has come under common ownership or control within 24 months of the date of the application, the first two licensing surveys as of the change of ownership date, shall be excluded.

(v) Currently listed as a special focus nursing home by the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

(vi) Delinquent debt obligation to the State of Michigan including, but not limited to:

(A) Quality Assurance Assessment Program (QAAP),

(B) Preadmission Screening and Annual Resident Review (PASARR), or

(C) Civil Monetary Penalties (CMP).

(b) The proposed project is either to replace the licensed nursing home/HLTCU to a new proposed licensed site or replace a portion of the licensed beds at the existing licensed site.

(c) The proposed licensed site is within the replacement zone.

(d) The applicant certifies that the requirements found in the Minimum Design Standards for Health Care Facilities of Michigan, referenced in Section 20145 (6) of the Public Health Code, Act 368 of 1978, as amended and are published by the Department, will be met when the architectural blueprints are submitted for review and approval by the Department.

(e) A Plan of Correction for cited state or federal code deficiencies at the health facility, if any, has been submitted and approved by LARA. Code deficiencies include any unresolved deficiencies still outstanding with LARA.

(f) The current patients of the facility/beds being replaced shall be admitted to the replacement beds when the replacement beds are licensed to the extent that those patients desire to transfer to the replacement facility/beds. The replacement facility shall certify a sufficient number of Medicaid beds to satisfy the needs of those current Medicaid patients who desire to transfer to the replacement facility/beds.

(2) An applicant proposing to replace a licensed nursing home/HLTCU outside the replacement zone shall demonstrate all of the following:

(a) At the time of application, the applicant, as identified in the table, shall provide a report demonstrating that it does not meet any of the following conditions in 14%, but not more than five, of its nursing homes/HLTCUs:

Type of Applicant	Reporting Requirement
Applicant with only Michigan nursing homes/HLTCUs	All Michigan nursing homes/HLTCUs under common ownership or control

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Applicant with 10 or more Michigan nursing homes/HLTCUs and out of state nursing homes/HLTCUs	All Michigan nursing homes/HLTCUs under common ownership or control
Applicant with fewer than 10 Michigan nursing homes/HLTCUs and out of state nursing homes/HLTCUs	All Michigan and out of state nursing homes/HLTCUs under common ownership or control

(i) A state enforcement action resulting in a license revocation, reduced license capacity, or receivership within the last three years, or from the change of ownership date if the facility has come under common ownership or control within 24 months of the date of the application.

(ii) A filing for bankruptcy within the last three years, or from the change of ownership date if the facility has come under common ownership or control within 24 months of the date of the application.

(iii) Termination of a Medical Assistance Provider Enrollment and Trading Partner Agreement initiated by the Department or licensing and certification agency in another state, within the last three years, or from the change of ownership date if the facility has come under common ownership or control within 24 months of the date of the application.

(iv) A number of citations at Level D or above, excluding life safety code citations, on the scope and severity grid on two consecutive standard surveys that exceeds twice the statewide average, calculated from the quarter in which the standard survey was completed, in the state in which the nursing home/HLTCU is located. For licensed only facilities, a number of citations at two times the average of all licensed only facilities on the last two licensing surveys. However, if the facility has come under common ownership or control within 24 months of the date of the application, the first two licensing surveys as of the change of ownership date, shall be excluded.

(v) Currently listed as a special focus nursing home by the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

(vi) Delinquent debt obligation to the State of Michigan including, but not limited to:

(A) Quality Assurance Assessment Program (QAAP),

(B) Preadmission Screening and Annual Resident Review (PASARR), or

(C) Civil Monetary Penalties (CMP).

(b) The total number of existing nursing home beds in that planning area is equal to or less than the needed nursing home bed supply.

(c) The number of beds to be replaced is equal to or less than the number of currently licensed beds at the nursing home/HLTCU at which the beds proposed for replacement are currently located.

(d) The applicant certifies that the requirements found in the Minimum Design Standards for Health Care Facilities of Michigan, referenced in Section 20145 (6) of the Public Health Code, Act 368 of 1978, as amended and are published by the Department, will be met when the architectural blueprints are submitted for review and approval by the Department.

(e) A Plan of Correction for cited state or federal code deficiencies at the health facility, if any, has been submitted and approved by LARA. Code deficiencies include any unresolved deficiencies still outstanding with LARA.

(f) The current patients of the facility/beds being replaced shall be admitted to the replacement beds when the replacement beds are licensed to the extent that those patients desire to transfer to the replacement facility/beds. The replacement facility shall certify a sufficient number of Medicaid beds to satisfy the needs of those current Medicaid patients who desire to transfer to the replacement facility/beds.

(3) An applicant proposing to replace beds with a new design model shall not be required to be in compliance with the needed nursing home bed supply if all of the following requirements are met:

(a) The proposed project results in no more than 100 beds per new design model and meets the following design standards:

(i) For inpatient facilities that are not limited to group resident housing of 10 beds or less, the construction standards shall be those applicable to nursing homes in the document entitled Minimum Design Standards for Health Care Facilities in Michigan and incorporated by reference in Section

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20145(6) of the Public Health Code, being Section 333.20145(6) of the Michigan Compiled Laws or any future versions.

(ii) For small resident housing units of 10 beds or less that are supported by a central support inpatient facility, the construction standards shall be those applicable to hospice residences providing an inpatient level of care, except that:

- (A) at least 100% of all resident sleeping rooms shall meet barrier free requirements;
- (B) electronic nurse call systems shall be required in all facilities;
- (C) handrails shall be required on both sides of patient corridors; and
- (D) ceiling heights shall be a minimum of 7 feet 10 inches.

(iii) The proposed project shall comply with applicable life safety code requirements and shall be fully sprinkled and air conditioned.

(iv) The Department may waive construction requirements for new design model projects if authorized by law.

(b) The proposed project shall include at least 80% single occupancy resident rooms with an adjoining toilet room containing a sink, water closet, and bathing facility and serving no more than two residents in both the central support inpatient facility and any supported small resident housing units. If the proposed project is for replacement/renovation of an existing facility and utilizes only a portion of its currently licensed beds, the remaining rooms at the existing facility shall not exceed double occupancy.

(c) The proposed project shall be within the replacement zone unless the applicant demonstrates all of the following:

- (i) the proposed licensed site for the replacement beds is in the same planning area,
- (ii) the applicant shall provide a signed affidavit or resolution from its governing body or authorized agent stating that the proposed licensed site will continue to provide service to the same market, and
- (iii) the current patients of the facility/beds being replaced shall be admitted to the replacement beds when the replacement beds are licensed, to the extent that those patients desire to transfer to the replacement facility/beds.

(d) An approved project may involve replacement of a portion of the beds of an existing facility at a geographic location within the replacement zone that is not physically connected to the current licensed site. If a portion of the beds are replaced at a location that is not the current licensed site, a separate license shall be issued to the facility at the new location. If beds have been added pursuant to Section 6(1)(d)(ii), then the applicant facility shall not relocate any beds from the facility or replace a portion of beds to a new site following CON approval and for at least 24 months from the date of the licensure of the new beds at the facility.

(e) A Plan of Correction for cited state or federal code deficiencies at the health facility, if any, has been submitted and approved by LARA. Code deficiencies include any unresolved deficiencies still outstanding with LARA.

(4) An applicant proposing to replace beds must demonstrate that any previously approved change of ownership (chow) certificate of need for the facility has been deemed a completed project by the Department before the replacement application can be approved.

### **Section 8. Requirements for approval to relocate existing nursing home/HLTCU beds**

Sec. 8. (1) An applicant proposing to relocate existing nursing home/HLTCU beds shall not be required to be in compliance with the needed nursing home bed supply if all of the following requirements are met:

- (a) There shall not be any ownership relationship requirements between the nursing home/HLTCU from which the beds are being relocated and the nursing home/HLTCU receiving the beds.
- (b) The relocated beds shall be placed in the same planning area.
- (c) The relocated beds shall be licensed to the receiving nursing home/HLTCU and will be counted in the inventory for the applicable planning area.
- (d) At the time of transfer to the receiving facility, patients in beds to be relocated must be given the choice of remaining in another bed in the nursing home/HLTCU from which the beds are being

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transferred or to the receiving nursing home/HLTCU. Patients shall not be involuntary discharged to create a vacant bed.

(e) Relocation of beds shall not increase the rooms with three (3) or more bed wards in the receiving facility.

(f) If beds have been added pursuant to Section 6(1)(d)(ii), then the applicant facility shall not relocate any beds from the facility or replace a portion of beds to a new site following CON approval and for at least 24 months from the date of the licensure of the new beds at the facility.

(g) An applicant proposing to relocate beds, under section 8(1), must demonstrate that any previously approved certificate of need for addition of existing nursing home/HLTCU beds at the facility, under section 8(2), has been deemed a completed project by the department before the relocation application can be approved.

(2) An applicant proposing to add new nursing home/HLTCU beds, as the receiving existing nursing home/HLTCU under subsection (1), shall not be required to be in compliance with the needed nursing home bed supply if all of the following requirements are met:

(a) At the time of application, the applicant, as identified in the table, shall provide a report demonstrating that it does not meet any of the following conditions in 14%, but not more than five, of its nursing homes/HLTCUs:

Type of Applicant	Reporting Requirement
Applicant with only Michigan nursing homes/HLTCUs	All Michigan nursing homes/HLTCUs under common ownership or control
Applicant with 10 or more Michigan nursing homes/HLTCUs and out of state nursing homes/HLTCUs	All Michigan nursing homes/HLTCUs under common ownership or control
Applicant with fewer than 10 Michigan nursing homes/HLTCUs and out of state nursing homes/HLTCUs	All Michigan and out of state nursing homes/HLTCUs under common ownership or control

(i) A state enforcement action resulting in a license revocation, reduced license capacity, or receivership within the last three years, or from the change of ownership date if the facility has come under common ownership or control within 24 months of the date of the application.

(ii) A filing for bankruptcy within the last three years, or from the change of ownership date if the facility has come under common ownership or control within 24 months of the date of the application.

(iii) Termination of a Medical Assistance Provider Enrollment and Trading Partner Agreement initiated by the Department or licensing and certification agency in another state, within the last three years, or from the change of ownership date if the facility has come under common ownership or control within 24 months of the date of the application.

(iv) A number of citations at Level D or above, excluding life safety code citations, on the scope and severity grid on two consecutive standard surveys that exceeds twice the statewide average, calculated from the quarter in which the standard survey was completed, in the state in which the nursing home/HLTCU is located. For licensed only facilities, a number of citations at two times the average of all licensed only facilities on the last two licensing surveys. However, if the facility has come under common ownership or control within 24 months of the date of the application, the first two licensing surveys as of the change of ownership date, shall be excluded.

(v) Currently listed as a special focus nursing home by the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

(vi) Delinquent debt obligation to the State of Michigan including, but not limited to:

- (A) Quality Assurance Assessment Program (QAAP),
- (B) Preadmission Screening and Annual Resident Review (PASARR), or
- (C) Civil Monetary Penalties (CMP).

(b) The approval of the proposed new nursing home/HLTCU beds shall not result in an increase in the number of nursing home beds in the planning area.

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(c) A Plan of Correction for cited state or federal code deficiencies at the health facility, if any, has been submitted and approved by LARA. Code deficiencies include any unresolved deficiencies still outstanding with LARA.

(3) An applicant proposing to relocate existing nursing home/HLTCU beds, under section 8(1), or add existing nursing home/HLTCU beds, under section 8(2), must demonstrate that any previously approved change of ownership (chow) certificate of need for the facility has been deemed a completed project by the Department before the relocation application can be approved.

### **Section 9. Requirements for approval to acquire an existing nursing home/HLTCU or renew the lease of an existing nursing home/HLTCU**

Sec. 9. An applicant proposing to acquire an existing nursing home/HLTCU or renew the lease of an existing nursing home/HLTCU must meet the following as applicable:

(1) An applicant proposing to acquire an existing nursing home/HLTCU shall not be required to be in compliance with the needed nursing home bed supply for the planning area in which the nursing home or HLTCU is located if all of the following requirements are met:

(a) At the time of application, the applicant, as identified in the table, shall provide a report demonstrating that it does not meet any of the following conditions in 14%, but not more than five, of its nursing homes/HLTCUs:

<b>Type of Applicant</b>	<b>Reporting Requirement</b>
Applicant with only Michigan nursing homes/HLTCUs	All Michigan nursing homes/HLTCUs under common ownership or control
Applicant with 10 or more Michigan nursing homes/HLTCUs and out of state nursing homes/HLTCUs	All Michigan nursing homes/HLTCUs under common ownership or control
Applicant with fewer than 10 Michigan nursing homes/HLTCUs and out of state nursing homes/HLTCUs	All Michigan and out of state nursing homes/HLTCUs under common ownership or control

(i) A state enforcement action resulting in a license revocation, reduced license capacity, or receivership within the last three years, or from the change of ownership date if the facility has come under common ownership or control within 24 months of the date of the application.

(ii) A filing for bankruptcy within the last three years, or from the change of ownership date if the facility has come under common ownership or control within 24 months of the date of the application.

(iii) termination of a Medical Assistance Provider Enrollment and Trading Partner Agreement initiated by the Department or licensing and certification agency in another state, within the last three years, or from the change of ownership date if the facility has come under common ownership or control within 24 months of the date of the application.

(iv) A number of citations at Level D or above, excluding life safety code citations, on the scope and severity grid on two consecutive standard surveys that exceeds twice the statewide average, calculated from the quarter in which the standard survey was completed, in the state in which the nursing home/HLTCU is located. For licensed only facilities, a number of citations at two times the average of all licensed only facilities on the last two licensing surveys. However, if the facility has come under common ownership or control within 24 months of the date of the application, the first two licensing surveys as of the change of ownership date, shall be excluded.

(v) Currently listed as a special focus nursing home by the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

(vi) Delinquent debt obligation to the state of Michigan including, but not limited to:

(A) Quality Assurance Assessment Program (QAAP),

(B) Preadmission Screening and Annual Resident Review (PASARR), or

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- (C) Civil Monetary Penalties (CMP).
- (b) The acquisition will not result in a change in bed capacity.
- (c) The licensed site does not change as a result of the acquisition.
- (d) The project is limited solely to the acquisition of a nursing home/HLTCU with a valid license.
- (e) A Plan of Correction for cited state or federal code deficiencies at the health facility, if any, has been submitted and approved LARA. Code deficiencies include any unresolved deficiencies still outstanding with the Department, and
  - (f) The applicant shall participate in a quality improvement program, approved by the Department, for five years and provide an annual report to the Michigan State Long-Term-Care Ombudsman, LARA, and shall post the annual report in the facility if the facility being acquired has met any of conditions in subsections (a)(i), (ii), (iii), (iv), (v), or (vi).
  - (g) If the applicant is a new entity with no prior NH-HLTCU history, the applicant shall submit proof that:
    - (i) The nursing home/HLTCU to be acquired is no longer listed as a special focus nursing home by the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services, or the applicant shall participate in a quality improvement program, approved by the Department, for five years and provide an annual report to the Michigan State Long-Term-Care Ombudsman, LARA, and shall post the annual report in the facility; and
    - (ii) All delinquent debt obligations to the State of Michigan have been paid including, but not limited to:
      - (A) Quality Assurance Assessment Program (QAAP),
      - (B) Preadmission Screening and Annual Resident Review (PASARR), or
      - (C) Civil Monetary Penalties (CMP).

(2) An applicant proposing to acquire an existing nursing home/HLTCU approved pursuant to the new design model shall demonstrate the following:

(a) At the time of application, the applicant, as identified in the table, shall provide a report demonstrating that it does not meet any of the following conditions in 14%, but not more than five, of its nursing homes/HLTCUs:

<b>Type of Applicant</b>	<b>Reporting Requirement</b>
Applicant with only Michigan nursing homes/HLTCUs	All Michigan nursing homes/HLTCUs under common ownership or control
Applicant with 10 or more Michigan nursing homes/HLTCUs and out of state nursing homes/HLTCUs	All Michigan nursing homes/HLTCUs under common ownership or control
Applicant with fewer than 10 Michigan nursing homes/HLTCUs and out of state nursing homes/HLTCUs	All Michigan and out of state nursing homes/HLTCUs under common ownership or control

- (i) A state enforcement action resulting in a license revocation, reduced license capacity, or receivership within the last three years, or from the change of ownership date if the facility has come under common ownership or control within 24 months of the date of the application.
- (ii) A filing for bankruptcy within the last three years, or from the change of ownership date if the facility has come under common ownership or control within 24 months of the date of the application.
- (iii) Termination of a Medical Assistance Provider Enrollment and Trading Partner Agreement initiated by the Department or licensing and certification agency in another state, within the last three years, or from the change of ownership date if the facility has come under common ownership or control within 24 months of the date of the application.
- (iv) A number of citations at level D or above, excluding life safety code citations, on the scope and severity grid on two consecutive standard surveys that exceeds twice the statewide average, calculated from the quarter in which the standard survey was completed, in the state in which the nursing home/HLTCU is located. For licensed only facilities, a number of citations at two times the average of all licensed only facilities on the last two licensing surveys. However, if the facility has come under common

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ownership or control within 24 months of the date of the application, the first two licensing surveys as of the change of ownership date, shall be excluded.

(v) Currently listed as a special focus nursing home by the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

(vi) Delinquent debt obligation to the State of Michigan including, but not limited to:

(A) Quality Assurance Assessment Program (QAAP),

(B) Preadmission Screening and Annual Resident Review (PASARR), or

(C) Civil Monetary Penalties (CMP).

(b) An applicant will continue to operate the existing nursing home/HLTCU pursuant to the new design model requirements.

(c) The applicant shall participate in a quality improvement program, approved by the Department, for five years and provide an annual report to the Michigan State Long-Term-Care Ombudsman, LARA, and shall post the annual report in the facility if the facility being acquired has met any of conditions in subsections (a)(i), (ii), (iii), (iv), (v), or (vi).

(d) A Plan of Correction for cited state or federal code deficiencies at the health facility, if any, has been submitted and approved by LARA. Code deficiencies include any unresolved deficiencies still outstanding with LARA.

(e) If the applicant is a new entity with no prior NH-HLTCU history, the applicant shall submit proof that:

(i) The nursing home/HLTCU to be acquired is no longer listed as a special focus nursing home by the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services, or the applicant shall participate in a quality improvement program, approved by the Department, for five years and provide an annual report to the Michigan State Long-Term-Care Ombudsman, LARA, and shall post the annual report in the facility; and

(ii) All delinquent debt obligations to the State of Michigan have been paid including, but not limited to:

(A) Quality Assurance Assessment Program (QAAP),

(B) Preadmission Screening and Annual Resident Review (PASARR), or

(C) Civil Monetary Penalties (CMP).

(3) An applicant proposing to renew the lease for an existing nursing home/HLTCU shall not be required to be in compliance with the needed nursing home bed supply for the planning area in which the nursing home/HLTCU is located, if all of the following requirements are met:

(a) The lease renewal will not result in a change in bed capacity.

(b) The licensed site does not change as a result of the lease renewal.

(c) A Plan of Correction for cited state or federal code deficiencies at the health facility, if any, has been submitted and approved by LARA. Code deficiencies include any unresolved deficiencies still outstanding with LARA.

(d) The following delinquent debt obligations to the state of Michigan have been paid, or the applicant is in compliance with a payment plan concerning the same agreed to by the applicant and the Michigan Department of Treasury:

(i) Quality Assurance Assessment Program (QAAP),

(ii) Preadmission Screening and Annual Resident Review (PASARR), and

(iii) Civil Monetary Penalties (CMP).

## Section 10. Review standards for comparative review

Sec. 10. (1) Any application subject to comparative review, under Section 22229 of the Code, being Section 333.22229 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, or under these standards, shall be grouped and reviewed comparatively with other applications in accordance with the CON rules.

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(2) The degree to which each application in a comparative group meets the criterion set forth in Section 22230 of the Code, being Section 333.22230 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, shall be determined based on the sum of points awarded under subsections (a) and (b).

(a) A qualifying project will be awarded points as follows:

(i) For an existing nursing home/HLTCU, the current percentage of patient days of care reimbursed by Medicaid for the most recent 12 months of operation.

(ii) For a new nursing home/HLTCU, the proposed percentage of patient days of care to be reimbursed by Medicaid in the second 12 months of operation following project completion.

Percentage of Medicaid Patient Days (calculated using total patient days for all existing and proposed beds at the facility)	Points Awarded	
	Existing	Proposed
50 – 69%	4	3
70 – 100%	8	7

(b) A qualifying project will be awarded 10 points if all beds in the proposed project will be dually certified for both Medicare and Medicaid services by the second 12 months of operation.

(3) A qualifying project will have 15 points deducted if the applicant has any of the following at the time the application is submitted:

(a) has been a special focus nursing home/HLTCU within the last three (3) years;

(b) has had more than eight (8) substandard quality of care citations; immediate harm citations, and/or immediate jeopardy citations in the three (3) most recent standard survey cycles (includes intervening abbreviated surveys, standard surveys, and revisits);

(c) has had an involuntary termination or voluntary termination at the threat of a medical assistance provider enrollment and trading partner agreement within the last three (3) years;

(d) has had a state enforcement action resulting in a reduction in license capacity or a ban on admissions within the last three (3) years; or

(e) has any delinquent debt obligation to the state of Michigan including, but not limited to:

(A) Quality Assurance Assessment Program (QAAP),

(B) Civil Monetary Penalties (CMP),

(C) Medicaid Level of Care Determination (LOCD), or

(D) Preadmission Screening and Annual Resident Review (PASARR).

(4) A qualifying project will be awarded three (3) points if the applicant provides documentation that it participates or if it proposes to participate in a culture change model, which contains person centered care, ongoing staff training, and measurements of outcomes. An additional five (5) points will be awarded if the culture change model, either currently used or proposed, is a model approved by the Department.

(5) A qualifying project will be awarded points based on the proposed percentage of the "Applicant's cash" to be applied toward funding the total proposed project cost as follows:

Percentage "Applicant's Cash"	Points Awarded
Over 20%	5
10 – 20%	3
5 – 9%	2

(6) A qualifying project will be awarded four (4) points if the entire existing and proposed nursing home/HLTCU is fully equipped with air conditioning. Fully equipped with air conditioning means meeting the design temperatures in table 6b of the minimum design standards for health care facilities in Michigan and capable of maintaining a temperature of 71 – 81 degrees for the resident unit corridors.

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(7) A qualifying project will be awarded six (6) or four (4) points based on only one of the following:  
(a) Six (6) points if the proposed project has 100% rooms with dedicated toilet room containing a sink, water closet, and bathing facility or

(b) Four (4) points if the proposed project has 80% private rooms with dedicated toilet room containing a sink, water closet and bathing facility.

(8) A qualifying project will be awarded 10 points if it results in a nursing home/HLTCU with 150 or fewer beds in total.

(9) A qualifying project will be awarded five (5) points if the proposed beds will be housed in new construction.

(10) A qualifying project will be awarded 10 points if the entire existing nursing home/HLTCU and its proposed project will have no more than double occupancy rooms at completion of the project.

(11) A qualifying project will be awarded two (2) points if the existing or proposed nursing home/HLTCU is on or readily accessible to an existing or proposed public transportation route.

(12) A qualifying project will be awarded points for technological innovation as follows:

INNOVATIONS	Points Awarded
The proposed project will have wireless nurse call/paging system including wireless devices carried by direct care staff	1
Wireless internet with resident access to related equipment/device in entire facility	1
An integrated electronic medical records system with point-of-service access capability (including wireless devices) for all disciplines including pharmacy, physician, nursing, and therapy services at the entire existing and proposed nursing home/HLTCU	4
The proposed project will have a backup generator supporting all functions with an on-site or piped-in fuel supply and be capable of providing at least 48 hours of service at full load	4

(13) A qualifying project will be awarded three (3) points if the proposed project includes bariatric rooms as follows: project using 0 – 49 beds will include at least one (1) bariatric room or project using 50 or more beds will include at least two (2) bariatric rooms. Bariatric room means the creation of patient room(s) included as part of the CON project, and identified on the architectural schematics, that are designed to accommodate the needs of bariatric patients weighing over 350 pounds. The bariatric patient rooms shall have a larger entrance width for the room and bathroom to accommodate over-sized equipment, and shall include a minimum of a bariatric bed, bariatric toilet, bariatric wheelchair, and a device to assist resident movement (such as a portable or build in lift). If an in-room shower is not included in the bariatric patient room, the main/central shower room that is located on the same floor as the bariatric patient room(s) shall include at least one (1) shower stall that has an opening width and depth that is larger than minimum MI code requirements.

(14) Submission of conflicting information in this section may result in a lower point award. If an application contains conflicting information which could result in a different point value being awarded in

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this section, the Department will award points based on the lower point value that could be awarded from the conflicting information. For example, if submitted information would result in 6 points being awarded, but other conflicting information would result in 12 points being awarded, then 6 points will be awarded. If the conflicting information does not affect the point value, the Department will award points accordingly. For example, if submitted information would result in 12 points being awarded and other conflicting information would also result in 12 points being awarded, then 12 points will be awarded.

(15) The Department shall approve those qualifying projects which, when taken together, do not exceed the need as defined in Section 22225(1) of the Code, being Section 333.22225(1) of the Michigan Compiled Laws, and which have the highest number of points when the results of subsections (2) through (12) are totaled. If two or more qualifying projects are determined to have an identical number of points, then the Department shall approve those qualifying projects which, when taken together, do not exceed the need, as defined in Section 22225(1), in the order in which the applications were received by the Department, based on the date and time stamp on the application when the application is filed.

### **Section 11. Project delivery requirements and terms of approval**

Sec. 11. An applicant shall agree that, if approved, the nursing home/HLTCU services shall be delivered in compliance with the following terms of approval:

(1) Compliance with these standards, including the requirements of Section 10. If an applicant is awarded beds pursuant to Section 10 and representations made in that section, the Department shall monitor compliance with those statements and representations and shall determine actions for non-compliance.

(2) Compliance with the following applicable quality assurance standards:

(a) Compliance with Section 22230 of the Code shall be based on the nursing home's/HLTCU's actual Medicaid participation within the time periods specified in these standards. Compliance with Section 10(2)(a) of these standards shall be determined by comparing the nursing home's/HLTCU's actual patient days reimbursed by Medicaid, as a percentage of the total patient days, with the applicable schedule set forth in Section 10(2)(a) for which the applicant had been awarded points in the comparative review process. If any of the following occurs, an applicant shall be required to be in compliance with the range in the schedule immediately below the range for which points had been awarded in Section 10(2)(a), instead of the range of points for which points had been awarded in the comparative review in order to be found in compliance with Section 22230 of the Code: (i) the average percentage of Medicaid recipients in all nursing homes/HLTCUs in the planning area decreased by at least 10 percent between the second 12 months of operation after project completion and the most recent 12-month period for which data are available, (ii) the actual rate of increase in the Medicaid program per diem reimbursement to the applicant nursing home/HLTCU is less than the annual inflation index for nursing homes/HLTCUs as defined in any current approved Michigan State Plan submitted under Title XIX of the Social Security Act which contains an annual inflation index, or (iii) the actual percentage of the nursing home's/HLTCU's patient days reimbursed by Medicaid (calculated using total patient days for all existing and proposed nursing home beds at the facility) exceeds the statewide average plus 10 percent of the patient days reimbursed by Medicaid for the most recent year for which data are available from the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services [subsection (iii) is applicable only to Section 10(2)(a)]. In evaluating subsection (ii), the Department shall rely on both the annual inflation index and the actual rate increases in per diem reimbursement to the applicant nursing home/HLTCU and/or all nursing homes/HLTCUs in the HSA.

(b) For projects involving the acquisition of a nursing home/HLTCU, the applicant shall agree to maintain the nursing home's/HLTCU's level of Medicaid participation (patient days and new admissions) for the time periods specified in these standards, within the ranges set forth in Section 10(2)(a) for which the seller or other previous owner/lessee had been awarded points in a comparative review.

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(c) For projects involving replacement of an existing nursing home/HLTCU, the current patients of the facility/beds being replaced shall be admitted to the replacement beds when the replacement beds are licensed, to the extent that those patients desire to transfer to the replacement facility/beds.

(d) The applicant will assure compliance with Section 20201 of the Code, being Section 333.20201 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

(3) Compliance with the following access to care requirements:

(a) The applicant, to assure appropriate utilization by all segments of the Michigan population, shall:

- (i) not deny services to any individual based on payor source.
- (ii) maintain information by source of payment to indicate the volume of care from each payor and non-payor source provided annually.
- (iii) provide services to any individual based on clinical indications of need for the services.

(4) Compliance with the following monitoring and reporting requirements:

(a) The applicant shall participate in a data collection network established and administered by the Department or its designee. The data may include, but is not limited to, annual budget and cost information; operating schedules; and demographic, diagnostic, morbidity, and mortality information, as well as the volume of care provided to patients from all payor sources. The applicant shall provide the required data on an individual basis for each licensed site, in a format established by the Department, and in a mutually agreed upon media. The Department may elect to verify the data through on-site review of appropriate records.

(b) The applicant shall provide the Department with timely notice of the proposed project implementation consistent with applicable statute and promulgated rules.

(c) The applicant shall provide notice to the Department of any planned decrease or discontinuation of service(s) no later than 30 days after the planned decrease or discontinuation of the service(s).

(5) An applicant shall agree that, if approved, and material discrepancies are later determined within the reporting of the ownership and citation history of the applicant facility and all nursing homes under common ownership and control that would have resulted in a denial of the application, shall surrender the CON. This does not preclude an applicant from reapplying with corrected information at a later date.

(6) The applicant shall agree that, if approved, it will remain current on all taxes, fines, and fees owed to the state of Michigan. A payment plan agreed upon by the applicant and the Michigan Department of Treasury shall be considered not delinquent for the purpose of this section on the condition the applicant is current and remains current on payments, including Quality Assurance Assessment Program (QAAP), Preadmission Screening and Annual Resident review (PASARR), and Civil Monetary Penalties (CMP).

(7) The agreements and assurances required by this section shall be in the form of a certification agreed to by the applicant or its authorized agent.

### **Section 12. Department inventory of beds**

Sec. 12. The Department shall maintain a listing of the Department Inventory of Beds for each planning area.

### **Section 13. Wayne County planning areas**

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Sec. 13. (1) For purposes of these standards the cities and/or townships in Wayne County are assigned to the planning areas as follows:

### Planning Area 84/Northwest Wayne

Canton Township, Dearborn, Dearborn Heights, Garden City, Inkster, Livonia, Northville (part), Northville Township, Plymouth, Plymouth Township, Redford Township, Wayne, Westland

### Planning area 85/Southwest Wayne

Allen Park, Belleville, Brownstown Township, Ecorse, Flat Rock, Gibraltar, Grosse Ile Township, Huron Township, Lincoln Park, Melvindale, River Rouge, Riverview, Rockwood, Romulus, Southgate, Sumpter Township, Taylor, Trenton, Van Buren Township, Woodhaven, Wyandotte

### Planning area 86/Detroit

Detroit, Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Township, Grosse Pointe Farms, Grosse Pointe Park, Grosse Pointe Woods, Hamtramck, Harper Woods, Highland Park

## **Section 14. Effect on prior CON review standards, comparative reviews**

Sec. 14. (1) These CON review standards supersede and replace the CON Standards for Nursing Home and Hospital Long-Term-Care Unit (HLTCU) Beds approved by the CON Commission on ~~DECEMBER 7, 2023~~~~December 10, 2020~~ and effective on ~~FEBRUARY 26, 2024~~~~March 19, 2024~~.

(2) Projects reviewed under these standards involving a change in bed capacity shall be subject to comparative review except as follows:

- (a) replacement of an existing nursing home/HLTCU being replaced in the replacement zone;
- (b) replacement of an existing nursing home/HLTCU pursuant to Section 7(3) and within the same planning area as the existing licensed site;
- (c) relocation of existing nursing home/HLTCU beds; or
- (d) an increase in beds pursuant to Section 6(1)(d)(ii).

(3) Projects reviewed under these standards that relate solely to the acquisition of an existing nursing home/HLTCU or the renewal of a lease shall not be subject to comparative review.

Counties assigned to each of the HSAs are as follows:

<b>HSA</b>	<b>COUNTIES</b>		
1	Livingston Macomb Wayne	Monroe Oakland	St. Clair Washtenaw
2	Clinton Eaton	Hillsdale Ingham	Jackson Lenawee
3	Barry Berrien Branch	Calhoun Cass Kalamazoo	St. Joseph Van Buren
4	Allegan Ionia Kent Lake	Mason Mecosta Montcalm Muskegon	Newaygo Oceana Osceola Ottawa
5	Genesee	Lapeer	Shiawassee
6	Arenac Bay Clare Gladwin Gratiot	Huron Iosco Isabella Midland Ogemaw	Roscommon Saginaw Sanilac Tuscola
7	Alcona Alpena Antrim Benzie Charlevoix Cheboygan	Crawford Emmet Gd Traverse Kalkaska Leelanau Manistee	Missaukee Montmorency Oscoda Otsego Presque Isle Wexford
8	Alger Baraga Chippewa Delta Dickinson	Gogebic Houghton Iron Keweenaw Luce	Mackinac Marquette Menominee Ontonagon Schoolcraft

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Rural Michigan counties are as follows:

Alcona	Gogebic	Ogemaw
Alger	Huron	Ontonagon
Antrim	Iosco	Osceola
Arenac	Iron	Oscoda
Baraga	Lake	Otsego
Charlevoix	Luce	Presque Isle
Cheboygan	Mackinac	Roscommon
Clare	Manistee	Sanilac
Crawford	Montmorency	Schoolcraft
Emmet	Newaygo	Tuscola
Gladwin	Oceana	

Micropolitan statistical area Michigan counties are as follows:

Allegan	Hillsdale	Mason
Alpena	Houghton	Mecosta
Benzie	Ionia	Menominee
Branch	Isabella	Missaukee
Chippewa	Kalkaska	St. Joseph
Delta	Keweenaw	Shiawassee
Dickinson	Leelanau	Wexford
Grand Traverse	Lenawee	
Gratiot	Marquette	

Metropolitan statistical area Michigan counties are as follows:

Barry	Jackson	Muskegon
Bay	Kalamazoo	Oakland
Berrien	Kent	Ottawa
Calhoun	Lapeer	Saginaw
Cass	Livingston	St. Clair
Clinton	Macomb	Van Buren
Eaton	Midland	Washtenaw
Genesee	Monroe	Wayne
Ingham	Montcalm	

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**MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**  
**CON REVIEW STANDARDS**  
**FOR NURSING HOME AND HOSPITAL LONG-TERM CARE UNIT BEDS**  
**--ADDENDUM FOR SPECIAL POPULATION GROUPS**

(By authority conferred on the CON Commission by Section 22215 of Act No. 368 of the Public Acts of 1978, as amended, and sections 7 and 8 of Act No. 306 of the Public Acts of 1969, as amended, being sections 333.22215, 24.207 and 24.208 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.)

**Section 1. Applicability; definitions**

Sec. 1. (1) This addendum supplements the CON Review Standards for Nursing Home and Hospital Long-term Care Unit Beds and shall be used for determining the need for projects established to better meet the needs of special population groups within the long-term care and nursing home populations.

(2) Except as provided in sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 of this addendum, these standards supplement, and do not supersede, the requirements and terms of approval required by the CON Review Standards for Nursing Home and Hospital Long-term Care Unit Beds.

(3) The definitions which apply to the CON Review Standards for Nursing Home and Hospital Long-term Care Unit Beds shall apply to these standards.

(4) For purposes of this addendum, the following terms are defined:

(a) "Bariatric patient" means a patient weighting over 350 pounds.

(b) "Bariatric room" means the creation of patient room(s) included as part of the CON project, and identified on the architectural schematics, that are designed to accommodate the needs of bariatric patients weighing over 350 pounds. The bariatric patient rooms shall have a larger entrance width for the room and bathroom to accommodate over-sized equipment, and shall include a minimum of a bariatric bed, bariatric toilet, bariatric wheelchair, and a device to assist resident movement (such as a portable or build in lift). If an in-room shower is not included in the bariatric patient room, the main/central shower room that is located on the same floor as the bariatric patient room(s) shall include at least one (1) shower stall that has an opening width and depth that is larger than minimum MI Code requirements.

(c) "Behavioral patient" means an individual that exhibits a history of chronic behavior management problems such as aggressive behavior that puts self or others at risk for harm, or an altered state of consciousness, including paranoia, delusions, and acute confusion.

(d) "Infection control program," means a program that will reduce the risk of the introduction of communicable diseases into a ventilator-dependent unit, provide an active and ongoing surveillance program to detect the presence of communicable diseases in a ventilator-dependent unit, and respond to the presence of communicable diseases within a ventilator-dependent unit so as to minimize the spread of a communicable disease.

(e) "Licensed hospital" means either a hospital licensed under Part 215 of the Code; or a psychiatric hospital or unit licensed pursuant to Act 258 of the Public Acts of 1974, as amended, being sections 330.1001 to 330.2106 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

(f) "Private residence", means a setting other than a licensed hospital; or a nursing home including a nursing home or part of a nursing home approved pursuant to Section 6.

(g) "Traumatic brain injury (TBI)/spinal cord injury (SCI) patient" means an individual with TBI or SCI that is acquired or due to a traumatic insult to the brain and its related parts that is not of a degenerative or congenital nature. These impairments may be either temporary or permanent and cause partial or total functional disability or psychosocial adjustment.

(h) "Ventilator-dependent patient," means an individual who requires mechanical ventilatory assistance.

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### **Section 2. Requirements for approval -- applicants proposing to increase nursing home beds -- special use exceptions**

Sec. 2. A project to increase nursing home beds in a planning area which, if approved, would otherwise cause the total number of nursing home beds in that planning area to exceed the needed nursing home bed supply or cause an increase in an existing excess as determined under the applicable CON Review Standards for Nursing Home and Hospital Long-term Care Unit Beds, may nevertheless be approved pursuant to this addendum.

### **Section 3. Statewide pool for the needs of special population groups within the long-term care and nursing home populations**

Sec. 3. (1) A statewide pool of additional nursing home beds of 1,958 beds needed in the state is established to better meet the needs of special population groups within the long-term care and nursing home populations. Beds in the pool shall be allocated as follows:

(a) These categories shall be allocated 1,039 beds and distributed as follows and shall be reduced/redistributed in accordance with subsection (c):

- (i) TBI/SCI beds will be allocated 400 beds.
- (ii) Behavioral beds will be allocated 400 beds.
- (iii) Bariatric beds will be allocated 60 beds.
- (iv) Ventilator-dependent beds will be allocated 179 beds.

(b) The following historical categories have been allocated 919 beds. Additional beds shall not be allocated to these categories. If the beds within any of these categories are delicensed, the beds shall be eliminated and not be returned to the statewide pool for special population groups.

- (i) Alzheimer's disease has 384 beds.
- (ii) Health care needs for skilled nursing care has 173 beds.
- (iii) Religious has 292 beds.
- (iv) Hospice beds has 70 beds.

(c) The Commission may adjust/redistribute the number of beds available in the statewide pool for the needs of special population groups in subsection (1)(a) concurrent with the biennial recalculation of the statewide nursing home and hospital long-term care unit bed need. Modifying the number of beds available in the statewide pool for the needs of special population groups in subsection (1)(a) pursuant to this section shall not require a public hearing or submittal of the standard to the Legislature and the Governor in order to become effective.

(d) By setting aside these beds from the total statewide pool, the Commission's action applies only to applicants seeking approval of nursing home beds pursuant to sections 4, 5, 6, and 7. It does not preclude the care of these patients in units of hospitals, hospital long-term care units, nursing homes, or other health care settings in compliance with applicable statutory or certification requirements.

(2) Increases in nursing home beds approved under this addendum for special population groups shall not cause planning areas currently showing an unmet bed need to have that need reduced or planning areas showing a current surplus of beds to have that surplus increased.

### **Section 4. Requirements for approval for beds from the statewide pool for special population groups allocated to TBI/SCI patients**

Sec. 4. The CON Commission determines there is a need for beds for applications designed to determine the efficiency and effectiveness of specialized programs for the care and treatment of TBI/SCI patients as compared to serving these needs in general nursing home unit(s).

(1) An applicant proposing to begin operation of a new nursing home/HLTCU or add beds to an existing nursing home/HLTCU under this section shall demonstrate with credible documentation to the satisfaction of the Department each of the following:

(a) The beds will be operated as part of a specialized program exclusively for TBI/SCI patients. At the time an application is submitted, the applicant shall demonstrate that it operates:

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- (i) A continuum of outpatient treatment, rehabilitative care, and support services for TBI/SCI patients; and
- (ii) A transitional living program or contracts with an organization that operates a transitional living program and rehabilitative care for TBI/SCI patients.
- (b) The applicant shall submit evidence of accreditation of its existing outpatient and/or residential programs by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) or another nationally-recognized accreditation organization for rehabilitative care and services.
- (c) Within 24-months of accepting its first patient, the applicant shall obtain CARF or another nationally-recognized accreditation organization for the nursing home beds proposed under this subsection.
- (d) A floor plan for the proposed physical plant space to house the nursing home beds allocated under this subsection that provides for:
  - (i) Individual units consisting of 20 beds or less per unit, not to be more than 40 beds per facility.
  - (ii) Day/dining area within, or immediately adjacent to, the unit(s), which is solely for the use of TBI/SCI patients.
  - (iii) Direct access to a secure outdoor or indoor area at the facility appropriate for supervised activity.
- (e) The applicant proposes programs to promote a culture within the facility that is appropriate for TBI/SCI patients of various ages.

(2) Beds approved under this subsection shall not be converted to or utilized as general nursing home use without a CON for nursing home and hospital long-term care unit beds under the CON review standards for nursing home and hospital long-term care unit beds and shall not be offered to individuals other than TBI/SCI patients.

### **Section 5. Requirements for approval for beds from the statewide pool for special population groups allocated to behavioral patients**

Sec. 5. The CON Commission determines there is a need for beds for applications designed to determine the efficiency and effectiveness of specialized programs for the care and treatment of behavioral patients as compared to serving these needs in general nursing home unit(s).

- (1) An applicant proposing to begin operation of a new nursing home/HLTCU or add beds to an existing nursing home/HLTCU under this section shall demonstrate with credible documentation to the satisfaction of the Department each of the following:
  - (a) Individual units shall consist of 20 beds or less per unit.
  - (b) The facility shall not be awarded more than 40 beds.
  - (c) The proposed unit shall have direct access to a secure outdoor or indoor area for supervised activity.
  - (d) The unit shall have within the unit or immediately adjacent to it a day/dining area which is solely for the use of the behavioral patients.
  - (e) The physical environment of the unit shall be designed to minimize noise and light reflections to promote visual and spatial orientation.
  - (f) Staff will be specially trained in treatment of behavioral patients.

(2) Beds approved under this subsection shall not be converted to or utilized as general nursing home use without a CON for nursing home and hospital long-term care unit beds under the CON Review Standards for Nursing Home and Hospital Long-term Care Unit Beds.

(3) All beds approved pursuant to this subsection shall be dually certified for Medicare and Medicaid.

### **Section 6. Requirements for approval for beds from the statewide pool for special population groups allocated to bariatric patients**

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Sec. 6. The CON Commission determines there is a need for beds for applications designed to determine the efficiency and effectiveness of specialized programs for the care and treatment of bariatric patients as compared to serving these needs in general nursing home unit(s).

(1) An applicant proposing to begin operation of a new nursing home/HLTCU or add beds to an existing nursing home/HLTCU under this section shall demonstrate, with credible documentation to the satisfaction of the Department, each of the following:

- (a) The facility shall not be awarded more than 10 beds.
- (b) The facility may place beds throughout the facility for a flexible and seamless inclusive resident design.
- (c) The proposed beds shall have adequate access to an outdoor or indoor area for activities with appropriate equipment.
- (d) The physical environment of any unit containing bariatric beds shall be designed to facilitate visitors.
- (e) The unit/beds shall have available specialty equipment to assist staff in providing care.
- (f) The beds shall be located on a ground floor and emergency egress will not require stairways or elevators to exit.
- (g) The beds shall be established in either single or double occupancy rooms, there shall be no rooms with more than two beds.

(2) Beds approved under this subsection shall not be converted to or utilized for general nursing home use without a CON for nursing home and hospital long-term care unit beds.

(3) All beds approved pursuant to this subsection shall be dually certified for Medicare and Medicaid.

### **Section 7. Requirements for approval for beds from the statewide pool for special population groups allocated to ventilator-dependent patients**

Sec. 7. The CON Commission determines there is a need for beds for ventilator-dependent patients within the long-term care and nursing home populations

(1) An applicant proposing to begin operation of a new nursing home/HLTCU or add beds to an existing nursing home/HLTCU under this section shall demonstrate, with credible documentation to the satisfaction of the Department, each of the following:

- (a) An applicant proposes a program for caring for ventilator-dependent patients in licensed nursing home beds.
- (b) An application proposes no more than 40 beds that will be licensed as nursing home beds.
- (c) The proposed unit will serve only ventilator-dependent patients.

(2) All beds approved pursuant to this subsection shall be dually certified for Medicare and Medicaid.

(3) Beds approved under this subsection shall not be converted to or utilized for general nursing home use without a CON for nursing home and hospital long-term care unit beds.

### **Section 8. Acquisition of nursing home/HLTCU beds approved pursuant to this addendum**

Sec. 8. (1) An applicant proposing to acquire nursing home/HLTCU beds from the statewide pool for special population groups allocated to religious shall meet the following:

- (a) The applicant is a part of, closely affiliated with, controlled, sanctioned or supported by a recognized religious organization, denomination or federation as evidenced by documentation of its federal tax exempt status as a religious corporation, fund, or foundation under section 501(c)(3) of the United States Internal Revenue Code.

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(b) The applicant's patient population includes a majority of members of the religious organization or denomination represented by the sponsoring organization.

(c) The applicant's existing services and/or operations are tailored to meet certain special needs of a specific religion, denomination or order, including unique dietary requirements, or other unique religious needs regarding ceremony, ritual, and organization which cannot be satisfactorily met in a secular setting.

(d) All beds approved pursuant to this subsection shall be dually certified for Medicare and Medicaid.

(2) An applicant proposing to acquire nursing home/HLTCU beds from the statewide pool for special population groups allocated to TBI/SCI shall meet the following:

(a) The beds will be operated as part of a specialized program exclusively for TBI/SCI patients. At the time an application is submitted, the applicant shall demonstrate that it operates:

(i) a continuum of outpatient treatment, rehabilitative care, and support services for TBI/SCI patients; and

(ii) a transitional living program or contracts with an organization that operates a transitional living program and rehabilitative care for TBI/SCI patients.

(b) The applicant shall submit evidence of accreditation of its existing outpatient and/or residential programs by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) or another nationally-recognized accreditation organization for rehabilitative care and services.

(c) Within 24-months of accepting its first patient, the applicant shall obtain CARF or another nationally-recognized accreditation organization for the nursing home beds proposed under this subsection.

(d) A floor plan for the proposed physical plant space to house the nursing home beds allocated under this subsection that provides for:

(i) Individual units consisting of 20 beds or less per unit, not to be more than 40 beds per facility.

(ii) Day/dining area within, or immediately adjacent to, the unit(s), which is solely for the use of TBI/SCI patients.

(iii) Direct access to a secure outdoor or indoor area at the facility appropriate for supervised activity.

(e) The applicant proposes programs to promote a culture within the facility that is appropriate for TBI/SCI patients of various ages.

(3) An applicant proposing to acquire nursing home/HLTCU beds from the statewide pool for special population groups allocated to Alzheimer's disease shall meet the following:

(a) The beds are part of a specialized program for Alzheimer's disease which will admit and treat only patients which require long-term nursing care and have been appropriately classified as a patient on the Global Deterioration Scale (GDS) for age-associated cognitive decline and Alzheimer's disease as a level 4 (when accompanied by continuous nursing needs), 5, or 6.

(b) The specialized program will participate in the state registry for Alzheimer's disease.

(c) The specialized program shall be attached or geographically adjacent to a licensed nursing home and be no larger than 20 beds in size.

(d) The proposed Alzheimer's unit shall have direct access to a secure outdoor or indoor area at the health facility, appropriate for unsupervised activity.

(e) The Alzheimer's unit shall have within the unit or immediately adjacent to it a day/dining area which is solely for the use of the Alzheimer's unit patients.

(f) The physical environment of the Alzheimer's unit shall be designed to minimize noise and light reflections to promote visual and spatial orientation.

(g) Staff will be specially trained in Alzheimer's disease treatment.

(h) All beds approved pursuant to this subsection shall be dually certified for Medicare and Medicaid.

(4) An applicant proposing to acquire nursing home/HLTCU beds from the statewide pool for special population groups allocated to behavioral patients shall meet the following:

(a) Individual units shall consist of 20 beds or less per unit.

(b) The facility shall not be awarded more than 40 beds.

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- (c) The proposed unit shall have direct access to a secure outdoor or indoor area for supervised activity.
- (d) The unit shall have within the unit or immediately adjacent to it a day/dining area which is solely for the use of the behavioral patients.
- (e) The physical environment of the unit shall be designed to minimize noise and light reflections to promote visual and spatial orientation.
- (f) Staff will be specially trained in treatment of behavioral patients.
- (g) All beds approved pursuant to this subsection shall be dually certified for Medicare and Medicaid.

(5) An applicant proposing to acquire nursing home/HLTCU beds from the statewide pool for special population groups allocated to hospice shall meet the following:

(a) An applicant shall be a hospice certified by Medicare pursuant to the code of Federal Regulations, Title 42, Chapter IV, Subpart B (Medicare Programs), Part 418 and shall have been a Medicare certified hospice for at least 24 continuous months prior to the date an application is submitted to the Department.

(b) An applicant shall demonstrate that, during the most recent 12-month period prior to the date an application is submitted to the Department for which verifiable data are available to the Department, at least 64% of the total number of hospice days of care provided to all of the clients of the applicant hospice were provided in a private residence.

(c) All beds approved pursuant to this subsection shall be dually certified for Medicare and Medicaid.

(6) An applicant proposing to acquire nursing home/HLTCU beds from the statewide pool for special population groups allocated to bariatric patients shall meet the following:

(a) The facility shall not be awarded more than 10 beds.

(b) The facility may place beds throughout the facility for a flexible and seamless inclusive resident design.

(c) The proposed beds shall have adequate access to an outdoor or indoor area for activities with appropriate equipment.

(d) The physical environment of any unit containing bariatric beds shall be designed to facilitate visitors.

(e) The beds shall have available specialty equipment to assist staff in providing care.

(f) The beds shall be located on a ground floor and emergency egress will not require stairways or elevators to exit.

(g) Beds approved under this subsection shall not be converted to or utilized as general nursing home use without a CON for nursing home and hospital long-term care unit beds under the CON review standards.

(h) All beds approved pursuant to this subsection shall be dually certified for Medicare and Medicaid.

(7) An applicant proposing to acquire nursing home/HLTCU beds from the statewide pool for special population groups allocated to ventilator-dependent patients shall meet the following:

(a) An applicant proposes a program for caring for ventilator-dependent patients in licensed nursing home beds.

(b) An application proposes no more than 40 beds that will be licensed as nursing home beds.

(c) The proposed unit will serve only ventilator-dependent patients.

(d) All beds approved pursuant to this subsection shall be dually certified for Medicare and Medicaid.

### **Section 9. Project delivery requirements -- terms of approval for all applicants seeking approval under Section 3(1) of this addendum**

Sec. 9. (1) An applicant shall agree that if approved, the services shall be delivered in compliance with the terms of approval required by the CON Review Standards for Nursing Home and Hospital Long-term Care Unit Beds.

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(2) An applicant for beds from the statewide pool for special population groups allocated to religious shall agree that, if approved, the services provided by the specialized long-term care beds shall be delivered in compliance with the following term of CON approval:

(a) The applicant shall document, at the end of the third year following initiation of beds approved an annual average occupancy rate of 95 percent or more. If this occupancy rate has not been met, the applicant shall delicense a number of beds necessary to result in a 95 percent occupancy based upon its average daily census for the third full year of operation.

(3) An applicant for beds from the statewide pool for special population groups allocated to Alzheimer's disease shall agree that if approved:

(a) The beds are part of a specialized program for Alzheimer's disease which will admit and treat only patients which require long-term nursing care and have been appropriately classified as a patient on the Global Deterioration Scale (GDS) for age-associated cognitive decline and Alzheimer's disease as a level 4 (when accompanied by continuous nursing needs), 5, or 6.

(b) The specialized program will participate in the state registry for Alzheimer's disease.

(c) The specialized program shall be attached or geographically adjacent to a licensed nursing home and be no larger than 20 beds in size.

(d) The proposed Alzheimer's unit shall have direct access to a secure outdoor or indoor area at the health facility, appropriate for unsupervised activity.

(e) The Alzheimer's unit shall have within the unit or immediately adjacent to it a day/dining area which is solely for the use of the Alzheimer's unit patients.

(f) The physical environment of the Alzheimer's unit shall be designed to minimize noise and light reflections to promote visual and spatial orientation.

(g) Staff will be specially trained in Alzheimer's disease treatment.

(4) An applicant for beds from the statewide pool for special population groups allocated to hospice shall agree that, if approved, all beds approved pursuant to that subsection shall be operated in accordance with the following CON terms of approval.

(a) An applicant shall maintain Medicare certification of the hospice program and shall establish and maintain the ability to provide, either directly or through contractual arrangements, hospice services as outlined in the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 42, Chapter IV, Subpart B, Part 418, hospice care.

(b) The proposed project shall be designed to promote a home-like atmosphere that includes accommodations for family members to have overnight stays and participate in family meals at the applicant facility.

(c) An applicant shall not refuse to admit a patient solely on the basis that he/she is HIV positive, has AIDS or has AIDS related complex.

(d) An applicant shall make accommodations to serve patients that are HIV positive, have AIDS or have AIDS related complex in nursing home beds.

(e) An applicant shall make accommodations to serve children and adolescents as well as adults in nursing home beds.

(f) Nursing home beds shall only be used to provide services to individuals suffering from a disease or condition with a terminal prognosis in accordance with Section 21417 of the Code, being Section 333.21417 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

(g) An applicant shall agree that the nursing home beds shall not be used to serve individuals not meeting the provisions of Section 21417 of the Code, being Section 333.21417 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, unless a separate CON is requested and approved pursuant to applicable CON review standards.

(h) An applicant shall be licensed as a hospice program under Part 214 of the Code, being Section 333.21401 et seq. of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

(i) An applicant shall agree that at least 64% of the total number of hospice days of care provided by the applicant hospice to all of its clients will be provided in a private residence.

(5) An applicant for beds from the statewide pool for special population groups allocated to ventilator-dependent patients shall agree that, if approved, all beds approved pursuant to that subsection shall be operated in accordance with the following CON terms of approval.

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(a) An applicant shall staff the proposed ventilator-dependent unit with employees that have been trained in the care and treatment of ventilator-dependent patients and includes at least the following:

(i) A medical director with specialized knowledge, training, and skills in the care of ventilator-dependent patients.

(ii) A program director that is a registered nurse.

(b) An applicant shall make provisions, either directly or through contractual arrangements, for at least the following services:

(i) respiratory therapy.

(ii) occupational and physical therapy.

(iii) psychological services.

(iv) family and patient teaching activities.

(c) An applicant shall establish and maintain written policies and procedures for each of the following:

(i) Patient admission criteria that describe minimum and maximum characteristics for patients appropriate for admission to the ventilator-dependent unit. At a minimum, the criteria shall address the amount of mechanical ventilatory dependency, the required medical stability, and the need for ancillary services.

(ii) The transfer of patients requiring care at other health care facilities.

(iii) Upon admission and periodically thereafter, a comprehensive needs assessment, a treatment plan, and a discharge plan that at a minimum addresses the care needs of a patient following discharge.

(iv) Patient rights and responsibilities in accordance with Sections 20201 and 20202 of the Code, being Sections 333.20201 and 333.20202 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

(v) The type of ventilatory equipment to be used on the unit and provisions for back-up equipment.

(d) An applicant shall establish and maintain an organized infection control program that has written policies for each of the following:

(i) use of intravenous infusion apparatus, including skin preparation, monitoring skin site, and frequency of tube changes.

(ii) placement and care of urinary catheters.

(iii) care and use of thermometers.

(iv) care and use of tracheostomy devices.

(v) employee personal hygiene.

(vi) aseptic technique.

(vii) care and use of respiratory therapy and related equipment.

(viii) isolation techniques and procedures.

(e) An applicant shall establish a multi-disciplinary infection control committee that meets on at least a monthly basis and includes the director of nursing, the ventilator-dependent unit program director, and representatives from administration, dietary, housekeeping, maintenance, and respiratory therapy. This subsection does not require a separate committee, if an applicant organization has a standing infection control committee and that committee's charge is amended to include a specific focus on the ventilator-dependent unit.

(f) The proposed ventilator-dependent unit shall have barrier-free access to an outdoor area in the immediate vicinity of the unit.

(g) An applicant shall agree that the beds will not be used to service individuals that are not ventilator-dependent unless a separate CON is requested and approved by the Department pursuant to applicable CON review standards.

(h) An applicant shall provide data to the Department that evaluates the cost efficiencies that result from providing services to ventilator-dependent patients in a hospital.

(6) An applicant for beds from the statewide pool for special population groups allocated to TBI/SCI patients shall agree that if approved:

(a) An applicant shall staff the proposed unit for TBI/SCI patients with employees that have been trained in the care and treatment of such individuals and includes at least the following:

(i) A medical director with specialized knowledge, training, and skills in the care of TBI/SCI patients.

(ii) A program director that is a registered nurse.

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- (iii) Other professional disciplines required for a multi-disciplinary team approach to care.
- (b) An applicant shall establish and maintain written policies and procedures for each of the following:
  - (i) Patient admission criteria that describe minimum and maximum characteristics for patients appropriate for admission to the unit for TBI/SCI patients. At a minimum, the criteria shall address the required medical stability and the need for ancillary services, including dialysis services.
  - (ii) The transfer of patients requiring care at other health care facilities, including a transfer agreement with one or more acute-care hospitals in the region to provide emergency medical treatment to any patient who requires such care.
  - (iii) Upon admission and periodically thereafter, a comprehensive needs assessment, a treatment plan, and a discharge plan that at a minimum addresses the care needs of a patient following discharge, including support services to be provided by transitional living programs or other outpatient programs or services offered as part of a continuum of care to TBI patients by the applicant.
  - (iv) Utilization review, which shall consider the rehabilitation necessity for the service, quality of patient care, rates of utilization and other considerations generally accepted as appropriate for review.
  - (v) Quality assurance and assessment program to assure that services furnished to TBI/SCI patients meet professional recognized standards of health care for providers of such services and that such services were reasonable and medically appropriate to the clinical condition of the TBI patient receiving such services.
  
- (7) An applicant for beds from the statewide pool for special population groups allocated to behavioral patients shall agree that if approved:
  - (a) An applicant shall staff the proposed unit for behavioral patients with employees that have been trained in the care and treatment of such individuals and includes at least the following:
    - (i) A medical director with specialized knowledge, training, and skills in the care of behavioral patients.
    - (ii) A program director that is a registered nurse.
    - (iii) Other professional disciplines required for a multi-disciplinary team approach to care.
  - (b) An applicant shall establish and maintain written policies and procedures for each of the following:
    - (i) Patient admission criteria that describe minimum and maximum characteristics for patients appropriate for admission to the unit for behavioral patients.
    - (ii) The transfer of patients requiring care at other health care facilities, including a transfer agreement with one or more acute-care hospitals in the region to provide emergency medical treatment to any patient who requires such care.
    - (iii) Utilization review, which shall consider the rehabilitation necessity for the service, quality of patient care, rates of utilization and other considerations generally accepted as appropriate for review.
    - (iv) quality assurance and assessment program to assure that services furnished to behavioral patients meet professional recognized standards of health care for providers of such services and that such services were reasonable and medically appropriate to the clinical condition of the behavioral patient receiving such services.
    - (v) Orientation and annual education/competencies for all staff, which shall include care guidelines, specialized communication, and patient safety.
  
- (8) An applicant for beds from the statewide pool for special population groups allocated to bariatric patients shall agree that if approved:
  - (a) The facility shall not be awarded more than 10 beds.
  - (b) The facility may place beds throughout the facility for a flexible and seamless inclusive resident design.
  - (c) The proposed beds shall have adequate access to an outdoor or indoor area for activities with appropriate equipment.
  - (d) The physical environment of any unit containing bariatric beds shall be designed to facilitate visitors.
  - (e) The beds shall have available specialty equipment to assist staff in providing care.

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(f) The beds shall be located on a ground floor and emergency egress will not require stairways or elevators to exit.

(g) The beds shall be established in either single or double occupancy rooms. There shall be no rooms with more than two beds.

(h) All beds approved pursuant to this subsection shall be dually certified for Medicare and Medicaid.

### **Section 10. Comparative reviews, effect on prior CON review standards**

Sec. 10. (1) Projects proposed under Section 4 shall be considered a distinct category and shall be subject to comparative review on a statewide basis.

(2) Projects proposed under Section 5 shall be considered a distinct category and shall be subject to comparative review on a statewide basis.

(3) Projects proposed under Section 6 shall be considered a distinct category and shall be subject to comparative review on a statewide basis.

(4) Projects proposed under Section 7 shall be considered a distinct category and shall be subject to comparative review on a statewide basis.

(5) These CON review standards supersede and replace the CON Review Standards for Nursing Home and Long-term Care Unit Beds--Addendum for Special Population Groups approved by the Commission on December 10, 2020 and effective on March 19, 2021.