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RE: RFI - Nursing Homes

To 'Jay N. DeLancy'

I am writing to respond to your question regarding the number of nursing home beds and the number of group home beds, by category, in North Carolina.

### Nursing Homes

Per the 2019 State Medical Facilities Plan (SMFP), the nursing care bed inventory (conducted in fall 2018) included a total of 46,210 licensed nursing care beds in operation (45,189 licensed beds in nursing homes + 1,021 licensed beds in hospitals).

### Group Homes

The Division of Health Service Regulation (DHSR)-Mental Health Licensure & Certificate Section, regulates several types of residential facilities. However "Group home" is not a formal category of facility for the Section, making the question of *how many group home beds* dependent on the context of the discussion. The following facilities, which serve individuals with mental illness, substance abuse, or developmental disabilities, are sometimes considered a group home:

1. ICF-IID Group Homes: These are facilities that are generally 6 beds or less and are licensed as follows:
  - Supervised Living DD Minor: 18 facilities, 103 beds.
  - Supervised Living DD Adult: 293 facilities, 1916 bed.
2. Residential Treatment Facilities for Children & Adolescents (Residential Level II). 12 beds or less: 38 facilities, 311 beds.
3. Residential Treatment Staff Secure for Children or Adolescents (Residential Level III). 12 beds or less: 145 facilities, 603 beds.
4. Supervised Living for Adults with Mental Illness. 6 beds or less: 226 facilities, 1,322 beds.
5. Supervised Living for Minors with Developmental Disabilities. 6 beds or less: 19 facilities, 75 beds.
6. Supervised Living for Adults with Developmental Disabilities. 6 beds or less: 824 facilities, 4,107 beds.
7. Supervised Living for Minors with Substance Abuse Dependency. Can be greater than 6 beds. Currently 8-29 beds per facility: 7 facilities, 101 beds.
8. Supervised Living for Adults with Substance Abuse Dependency. Can be greater than 6 beds. Currently 6-67 beds per facility: 38 facilities, 590 beds.
9. Supervised Living: Alternative Family Living in a Private Residence for individuals of all disability groups. Can serve 3 or fewer individuals: 369 facilities, 914 beds.

Note: A number of these categories allow facilities with over 6 beds, so it is not clear that all facilities within the category would fit into the concept of a "group home," but that depends on which population the facility is serving and how group home is conceptualized within that context.

### Adult Care Homes

A different section of DHSR, the Adult Care Licensure Section (ACLS) regulates adult care homes, a category of assisted living facilities serving older adults and adults with disabilities.

1. Adult Care Home (facilities with 7 or more beds): The 2019 SMFP list 38,326 adult care home beds in licensed adult care homes and 3,041 adult care home beds in licensed nursing homes.
2. Family Care Homes (2-6 beds): 632 family care homes with 3563 beds.

