



CHAPTER 122C
ARTICLE 3 - CLIENTS' RIGHTS AND ADVANCE INSTRUCTION

N.C.G.S. § 122C-51.

Declaration of policy on clients' rights.

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It is the policy of the State to assure basic human rights to each client of a facility. These rights include the right to dignity, privacy, humane care, and freedom from mental and physical abuse, neglect, and exploitation. Each facility shall assure to each client the right to live as normally as possible while receiving care and treatment.

It is further the policy of this State that each client who is admitted to and is receiving services from a facility has the right to treatment, including access to medical care and habilitation, regardless of age or degree of mental illness, developmental disabilities, or substance abuse. Each client has the right to an individualized written treatment or habilitation plan setting forth a program to maximize the development or restoration of his capabilities.

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03	1985	c. 589, s. 2	AMENDED

04	1989	c. 625, s. 7	AMENDED
05	1997	S.L. 1997-442, s. 1	AMENDED

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