

**700 GREEN HOUSE™ FACILITIES**

**701 INTENT**

Green House™ facilities are an attempt to enhance residents' quality of life through the use of a non-institutional facility model resulting in a residential-style physical plant and specific principles of staff interaction. The Greenhouse model utilizes small, free-standing, self-contained homes surrounding or adjacent to a central administration unit, each housing between ten (10) and twelve (12) private rooms, each with full bathrooms. The residents' rooms are constructed around a central, communal, family-style open space that includes a hearth, dining area, and residential-style kitchen. All residents' room entrances are visible from the central communal area. Each home is built to blend architecturally with neighboring homes. The intent of these regulations is to create a framework that encourages the construction and operation of Green House™ facilities.

**702 DESIGNATION**

To be designated by the Office of Long Term Care as a Green House™ facility, the facility meet the minimum standards, and have approval to use the Green House™ service mark, issued by the Green House™ Project and NCB Capital Impact at the time of designation and at all times thereafter.

**703 STAFFING**

Facilities designated by the Office of Long Term Care as Green House™ facilities shall employ the same staffing ratios and otherwise comply with Section 520 of these regulations; provided, however, that CNAs utilized in Green House™ facilities may act as universal workers. For purposes of this regulation, universal worker means a Certified Nurse Assistant (CNA) who, in addition to performing CNA duties, performs dietary, laundry, housekeeping and other services to meet the needs of residents.