Standard Setting Authority for Institutions

1. The following are the types of institutions in which medical care and services may be provided under the plan by such institutions:

   a. Hospitals qualified to participate under Title XVIII of the Social Security Act or determined to meet the requirements for such participation:

   b. Skilled nursing homes are those that are licensed by the officially designated state standard-setting authority and in addition have been determined to meet the requirements for skilled nursing homes as specified in SRS Program Regulations 40-11 and 40-12.

   c. Institutions for mental diseases and tubercular hospitals.

   d. Out-patient psychiatric clinics and community mental health centers under the supervision of or licensed by the South Carolina Mental Health Commission.

2. The types of institutions specified above are subject to the following standard setting authorities:

   A. South Carolina State Department of Health and Environmental Control

      1. The following citations to State legislation show (a) that the authority is a state authority, as distinguished from a local authority; and (b) that the authority is empowered and has the duty to establish and maintain standards for the types of institutions where medical care and services may be provided under the State Plan – (Title 32, Chapter 3, Article 2, Sections 32-761 et seq., Code of Laws of South Carolina (196 as amended). (State Hospital Construction and Franchising Act.)

   B. South Carolina Mental Health Commission

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      2. Section 32-10.1 provided as follows: “State institutions excepted.—license need to be obtained by any such institutions as described in Section 32-1034 maintained by the State.”

      3. The State Department will provide for cooperative arrangements with the standard setting authority to upgrade and extend needed institutional care.