Housing Request Based on Medical, Psychological or Disability Related Needs

The learning environment and residential living are central to the South Carolina State University experience. We evaluate requests for exceptions carefully. To aid this process, request should include:

1. Documentation of the condition or need that is the basis of the request;
2. A clear description of the desired housing configuration;
3. An explanation of how the request relates to the impact of the condition;
4. An indication of the level of need for the recommended configuration;
5. Possible alternatives if the recommended configuration is not possible.

To evaluate requests based on medical, psychological or disability related conditions accurately and equitably, South Carolina State University will need documentation. Documentation consists of an evaluation by an appropriate professional that relates the current impact of the condition to the request.

As appropriate to the condition documentation should include:

1. A diagnostic statement including the date of the most recent evaluation;
2. The type of diagnostic criteria or tests used;
3. The current impact of (or limitation imposed by) the condition;
4. Treatments, medications, devices or services currently prescribed or used to minimized the impact of the condition;
5. The expected duration, stability or progression of the condition; and
6. The credentials of the diagnosing professional.

In addition to the basic documentation for a condition listed above, recommendations from the treating professional are welcome and will be given consideration in evaluating a request. Recommendations should:

1. Provide clear description of the recommended housing configuration;
2. Connect the recommended configuration to the impact of the condition;
3. Possible alternatives to the recommended configuration; and
4. A statement of the level of need for (or consequences of not receiving) the recommended configuration.

Documentation supporting a request or questions concerning the process should be sent to the Office of Student Disability Services. All information is considered confidential.