

Inter-county Relocation of Long Term Care Beds
Authorized by Ohio Revised Code Section 3702.593
Applications Submitted July 1, 2016 through July 30, 2016

The inter-county relocation of qualified long term care beds between some counties was approved by the Ohio General Assembly in the 2010 budget, House Bill 1. The Director of Health was authorized to identify counties that are projected to experience an increase in the population of individuals aged 65 and older in the coming years which is disproportionate to the number of available long term care beds. The table presented here lists the counties with the numbers of beds that have been authorized for relocation. Counties with excess beds have been identified with the maximum number of beds that may be relocated to one or more counties identified as having a projected need. Details of the CON filing and review criteria can be found in Chapter 12 of the Ohio Administrative Code which is available here: <http://codes.ohio.gov/oac/3701-12>. The following information is related to the table of counties and the determination of the numbers of beds needed:

- Ohio and county population projections are provided to the public by the Ohio Department of Development.
- The long term care bed supply is determined annually by the Ohio Department of Health and has been updated to be current as of April 1, 2016.
- The table specifies the maximum number of long term care beds that may be relocated into or out of each county.
- An applicant may apply for a CON to relocate beds from counties having an excess of qualified beds to a county with a projected need up to the numbers of beds published in the table, subject to certain exceptions.
- A minimum of 100 excess beds must be left in any county from which beds are being relocated.
- Counties with an excess of less than 100 are ineligible for participation during this review cycle.
- A county with an occupancy rate (based in part on 2014 cost report data provided to the Ohio Department of Health by the Department of Medicaid) of less than 85% is ineligible for an increase in bed capacity during this review period.
- In this review period, only applications for the relocation of beds into counties with an **identified projected shortage and an occupancy rate of 85% or greater** will be accepted.

- The Statewide long-term care bed need rate is 38.54 beds per 1000 population of people 65 years of age and over.
- CON applications for capacity increases based on the inter-county relocation of beds may be subject to comparative review and will be accepted by the Ohio Department of Health only from July 1, 2016 through July 30, 2016
- Information on the CON application process can be found here: <http://codes.ohio.gov/oac/3701-12-09v1>.
- Applications will be accepted for inter-county relocation of long term care beds only. If a project includes the intra-county relocation of long term care beds, a separate application must be filed regarding those beds.
- No new long term care beds are to be authorized under any circumstances.
- CON applications will continue to be accepted at any time for projects involving the intra-county relocation of beds and the relocation of beds from contiguous counties pursuant to Section 3702.594 of the Ohio Revised Code.