



April 5, 2012

Residential Living  
1 Scott Hall West  
Cullowhee, NC 28723

To Whom It May Concern:

██████████ is currently under my care at Levine Children's Specialty Center for Crohn's disease, a form of inflammatory bowel disease. ██████████ has been a patient at the clinic since ██████████ following a colonoscopy and subsequent surgery to treat his bowel inflammation. He is requesting a single room with access to a private bath while attending WCU.

The most common symptoms of Crohn's disease are diarrhea, abdominal and rectal pain and cramping, nausea, vomiting, fatigue, and arthritis-like joint pain. Although its cause is unknown, IBD involves the immune system and causes inflammation and ulceration of the lining of the intestines. The emotional and physical pieces are interrelated in complex ways, and patients can experience flare-ups during times of emotional tension and stress. Changes in cognitive function including compromised attention and concentration, reduced capacity to process information, disruptions in memory and reduced ability to multitask are also manifestations of this disease. Changes in physiological functioning of the gastrointestinal tract characteristic of this disease can be exacerbated during period of environmental and/or psychological stress. The college setting may produce these types of circumstances.

It is my recommendation that [REDACTED] be granted a single room due to the privacy and bathroom issues with Crohn's disease. The symptoms need to be managed privately and [REDACTED] will need unlimited access to a bathroom.

I appreciate your understanding of [REDACTED] situation and if you have any questions or concerns, please call our social worker, [REDACTED].

Sincerely,

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