CHAPTER 104: SPINAL CORD INJURY / DISORDERS CENTER

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1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE
This document outlines Space Planning Criteria for Chapter 104: Spinal Cord Injury / Disorders Center. It applies to all medical facilities at the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).

A Spinal Cord Injury / Disorders Center is a specialized medical facility designed to provide care and treatment for spinal cord injury patients, and to ensure that they receive maximum benefit from trained staff in a specialized, mission-oriented facility. Spinal Cord Injury care can occur in three phases – Acute Care, Sustaining Care, and Long Term Care - and SCI/D Center designs must provide for their differing needs.

2 DEFINITIONS
Accessible: A site, building, facility, or portion thereof that complies with provisions outlined in the Architectural Barriers Act of 1968 (ABA).

Architectural Barriers Act (ABA): A set of standards developed to insure that all buildings financed with federal funds are designed and constructed to be fully accessible to everyone. This law requires all construction, renovation, or leasing of sites, facilities, buildings, and other elements, financed with federal funds, to comply with the Architectural Barriers Act Accessibility Standards (ABAAS). The ABAAS replaces the Uniform Federal Accessibility Standards (UFAS).

Departmental Net to Gross (DNTG) Conversion Factor: A parameter, determined by the VA for each space planning criteria chapter, used to convert the programmed Net Square Foot (NSF) area to the Department Gross Square Foot (DGSF) area. The DNTG Departmental Conversion Factor for Spinal Cord Injury / Disorders Center is 1.70.

Full-Time Equivalent (FTE): A staffing parameter equal to the amount of time assigned to one full time employee. It may be composed of several part-time employees whose total time commitment equals that of a full-time employee. One FTE equals a 40 hours per week.

Functional Area: The grouping of rooms and spaces based on their function within a clinical service. Typical Functional Areas are Reception Areas, Patient Areas, Support Areas, Staff and Administrative Areas, Residency and / or Educational Program Areas.

Input Data Statement: A set of questions designed to elicit information about the healthcare project in order to create a Program for Design (PFD) based on the criteria parameters set forth in this document. Input Data Statements could be Mission related, based in the project’s Concept of Operations; and Workload or Staffing related, based on projections and data provided by the VHA or the VISN about the estimated model of operation. This information is processed through mathematical and logical operations in VA-SEPS.

Lithotripsy: A procedure where kidney stones or gallstones are pulverized by means of a lithotripter.

Program for Design (PFD): A space program based on criteria set forth in this document and specific information about Concept of Operations, workload projections and staffing levels authorized.

Room Efficiency Factor: A factor that provides flexibility in the utilization of a room to account for patient delays, scheduling conflicts, and equipment maintenance. Common factors are in the 80 to 85% range. For acute/sustaining SCI care, a room with 85% room efficiency provides a buffer to assume that this room would be available 15% of the time beyond the planned operational practices of the room. A room efficiency factor of 95% is used for a long term care SCI Center. This factor may be adjusted based on the actual
and/or anticipated operations and processes of the room / department.

SEPS (VA-SEPS): Acronym for Space and Equipment Planning System, a digital tool developed by the Department of Defense (DoD) and the Department of Veterans Affairs to generate a Program for Design (PFD) and an Equipment List for a VA healthcare project based on specific information entered in response to Input Data Questions. VA-SEPS incorporates the propositions set forth in all VA Space Planning Criteria chapters. VA-SEPS has been designed to aid healthcare planners in creating a space plan based on a standardized set of criteria parameters.

Spinal Cord Injury / Disorders Center (SCI/D): A specialized medical facility designed to provide a full range of care for patients who have sustained a lesion of the spinal cord and/or cauda equina resulting in either tetraplegia or paraplegia. Each patient assigned to this unit typically uses a manual or electric powered wheelchair, or occasionally a gurney. The purpose of SCI/D is to provide care and treatment for spinal cord injury patients and to ensure that they receive maximum benefit from trained staff in a specialized, mission-oriented facility. Spinal Cord Injury care can occur in three phases – Acute Care, Sustaining Care, Long Term Care - and SCI/D designs must provide for their differing needs.

SCI/D Acute Care (Intensive Rehabilitation): Acute care involves medical stabilization immediately after injury and usually occurs at the nearest trauma center, with transfer to an SCI/D Center as soon as possible. In an Acute (Intensive Rehab) Unit, a multidisciplinary team effort focuses on bringing the patient to the highest functional level possible. The goal is, after a period of time, to enable the patient to return to independent living. Specialized care in the acute setting includes at least the following activities:

1. Prevention and/or treatment of medical and surgical problems associated with the spinal cord injury.
2. Training patients to perform their own self care which includes such common activities as getting dressed, getting into and out of bed, bathing, performing toilet activities (bowel and bladder care), etc.
3. Training in optimal mobility whether learning to walk again or effective use of a wheelchair.
4. Providing patients with and teaching them to use any special assistive devices they may need to achieve independence.
5. Diagnostic and surgical care of the urinary tract system.
6. Providing patients and family with social, psychological and vocational support to deal with the consequences of the injury.
7. Providing proper nursing care to optimize outcomes and to prevent complications such as the formation of pressure ulcers.
8. Restoration and/or maintenance of nutritional status.
9. Providing education to empower the patient and for subsequent training of a personal care assistant, if needed.

SCI/D Sustaining Care: The second phase of care for the SCI/D patient. Once back in the community, SCI/D patients may develop complications requiring hospitalization. It is the Sustaining Care Unit, which enables that patient to regain his or her independence. These units also offer to the independent patients discharged from Initial Rehabilitation Units the care needed to maintain the functional level achieved during their primary rehabilitation phase. The length of stay for inpatients may vary from several days to
several months depending on the reason for admission. The more common reasons for admission include annual routine physical exams; treatment for bedsores; treatment for GU (genitourinary) complications; fractured limbs and respiratory complications; and additional rehabilitation training. The same specialized care provided for Acute (Initial Rehabilitation) is applicable to Sustaining Care.

**SCI/D Long Term Care**: The third phase of care for SCI/D patients. Those patients who cannot live outside of the SCI/D environment because of socio-economic reasons or lack of community and/or family support systems are cared for in the Long-Term SCI/D Unit. It is common for these patients to stay until the end of their lives, and thus historically this has been an elderly population. However, that is not an exclusive demographic as many SCI/D injuries occur with younger patients. Therefore, the Long Term Care population may be younger and longer termed.

**Urodynamics**: The term that describes a series of diagnostic tests used to evaluate bladder function and voiding disorders.

**Workload**: Workload is the anticipated number of procedures or suite stops that is processed through a department/service area. For inpatient units Workload is determined by the calculated projected number of beds. The total workload applied to departmental operational assumptions will determine overall room requirements by modality.

### 3 OPERATING RATIONALE AND BASIS OF CRITERIA

A. Workload Projections or planned services / modalities for a specific VA medical center, hospital or satellite outpatient clinic project are provided by the VA Central Office (VACO) / VISN CARES Capacity Projection Model and VACO SCI/D Program input. The workload projections are generated by methodology based upon the expected veteran population in the respective market / service area. Healthcare planners working on VA medical center, hospital or satellite outpatient clinic projects will utilize and apply the workload based criteria set forth herein for identified services and modalities to determine room requirements for each facility.

B. Space planning criteria have been developed on the basis of an understanding of the activities involved in the functional areas of Spinal Cord Injury / Disorders Center and its relationship with other services of a medical facility. These criteria are predicated on established and/or anticipated best practice standards, as adapted to provide environments supporting the highest quality health care for Veterans.

C. These criteria are subject to modification relative to development in the equipment, medical practice, vendor requirements, and subsequent planning and design. The selection of the size and type of Spinal Cord Injury / Disorders Center equipment is determined by VACO and upon Veterans Health Administration (VHA) anticipated medical needs.

D. The total number of Acute Care Patient Beds is determined by the VACO SCI/D Program Office based on CARES modeling of SCI/D projected needs.

E. The total number of Long Term Care Patient Beds is determined by the VACO SCI/D Program Office based on CARES modeling of SCI/D projected needs.

F. The requirements for the majority of FTE positions cited in these criteria are defined in VHA Handbook 1176.1

G. Basic Room Efficiency Factor for Spinal Cord Injury / Disorders Center is:
   - Acute Care: 85%
   - Long Term Care: 95%
H. The minimum number of patient beds, of all types, to generate one SCI/D Patient Care Unit is 20. The maximum number of allowable patient beds per Unit is 30. A typical SCI/D Center has 30 beds.

4 INPUT DATA STATEMENTS

A. Mission Input Data Statements
1. Is an SCI/D Patient Clinic authorized? (M)
   a. Is Urodynamics treatment authorized? (M)
      1) How many Urologist FTE positions are authorized? (S)
2. Is a SCI/D Pharmacy authorized? (M)
3. Is a Therapeutic Pool authorized? (M)
4. Is an On-Call Bedroom authorized (M)
5. Is an SCI/D Residency Program Authorized? (M)
   a. Is a Team Room for the Residency Program authorized? (Misc)
   b. Is a Resident Training Room for the SCI/D Residency Program authorized? (Misc)

B. Workload Input Data Statements
1. How many SCI/D Acute Care Patient beds are authorized? (W)
2. How many SCI/D Long Term Care Patient beds are authorized? (W)

C. Staffing Input Data Statements
1. How many Nurse Supervisor positions, per SCI/D Acute Care Patient Care Unit, are authorized? (S)
2. How many Nurse Supervisor positions, per SCI/D Long Term Care Patient Care Unit, are authorized? (S)
3. How many Activities Coordinator FTE positions are authorized? (S)
4. How many SCI/D Clinician FTE positions are authorized? (S)
5. How many Therapist FTE positions are authorized? (S)
6. How many Home Care Coordinator FTE positions are authorized? (S)
7. How many Home Care Staff FTE positions are authorized? (S)
8. How many Psychologist FTE positions are authorized? (S)
9. How many Social Worker FTE positions are authorized? (S)
10. How many Dietitian FTE positions are authorized? (S)
11. How many Physician FTE positions are authorized? (S)
12. How many Clerical Staff FTE positions are authorized? (S)
13. How many Administrative Officer FTE positions are authorized? (S)

D. Miscellaneous Input Data Statements
1. How many Long Term Care Isolation Negative Pressure Patient Rooms, per each Long Term Patient Care Unit, are authorized? (Misc)
2. Is an Internet Cafe authorized? (Misc)
3. Is handling of SCI/D Medical Records in this Department authorized? (Misc)
4. How many FTEs will work on peak shift? (Misc)
5. How many FTE positions are not authorized to have an office or work space? (Misc)
5 SPACE CRITERIA

A. FA 1: Patient Care Unit Calculation:

1. Number of Acute Care Patient Units (CALC1) ............................. 0 NSF (0 NSM)
   Minimum number of projected beds to provide a Patient Care Unit is 20; provide an additional Patient Care Unit if total number of projected beds is between 41 and 60; provide two additional Patient Care Units if total number of projected beds is between 61 and 80; provide three additional Patient Care Units if total number of projected beds is between 81 and 100; provide four additional Patient Care Units if total number of projected beds is between 101 and 120; provide five additional Patient Care Units if total number of projected beds is between 121 and 140; provide six additional Patient Care Units if total number of projected beds is between 141 and 160; provide five additional Patient Care Units if total number of projected beds is between 161 and 180; provide five additional Patient Care Units if total number of projected beds is between 181 and 200

   This space generates 0 NSF as it is intended to calculate the total number of Patient Care Units in SEPS.

2. Number of Long Term Care Patient Units (CALC1) ...................... 0 NSF (0 NSM)
   Minimum number of projected beds to provide a Patient Care Unit is 20; provide an additional Patient Care Unit if total number of projected beds is between 41 and 60; provide two additional Patient Care Units if total number of projected beds is between 61 and 80; provide three additional Patient Care Units if total number of projected beds is between 81 and 100; provide four additional Patient Care Units if total number of projected beds is between 101 and 120; provide five additional Patient Care Units if total number of projected beds is between 121 and 140; provide six additional Patient Care Units if total number of projected beds is between 141 and 160; provide five additional Patient Care Units if total number of projected beds is between 161 and 180; provide five additional Patient Care Units if total number of projected beds is between 181 and 200

   This space generates 0 NSF as it is intended to calculate the total number of Patient Care Units in SEPS.

B. FA 2: Reception Area:

1. Waiting (WTG10) ................................................................. 215 NSF (20.0 NSM)
   Provide one for Spinal Cord Injury / Disorders Center (SCI/D).
   Allocated space accommodates eight standard chairs @ 9 NSF each, one bariatric chair @ 14 NSF, one accessible space @ 10 NSF, and circulation; total ten people.

2. Information Desk (RCIF1) ..................................................... 65 NSF (6.1 NSM)
   Provide one for Spinal Cord Injury / Disorders Center (SCI/D).
   Allocated NSF accommodates one Information FTE and patient privacy area.

3. Toilet, Public (TNPG1) .......................................................... 60 NSF (5.6 NSM)
   Provide two for Spinal Cord Injury / Disorders Center (SCI/D).
   Allocated NSF accommodates one accessible toilet @ 25 NSF, one wall-hung lavatory @ 12 NSF, ABA clearances, and circulation. One for male and one for female.

4. Consult Room (OFDC2) ......................................................... 130 NSF (12.1 NSM)
   Provide one for Spinal Cord Injury / Disorders Center (SCI/D).
C. FA 3: Acute Care (AC) Unit Patient Area:
The minimum number of patient beds to generate one Acute Care Unit is twenty; the maximum is forty.

1. AC: One-Bed Patient Room (BRMS1) .................................................. 210 NSF (19.6 NSM)
   Provide one for seventy-two percent of the total number of Acute Care Patient beds projected.
   
   This room provides space for care and treatment of one inpatient; it includes bed area and clearance around bed, wheelchair turnaround, and patient equipment including lift/transfer devices, furniture, and family visiting area.

2. AC: Two-Bed Patient Room (BRMS2) ............................................... 450 NSF (41.9 NSM)
   Provide one for fourteen percent of the total number of Acute Care Patient beds projected.
   
   This room provides space for care and treatment of two inpatients; it includes bed area and clearance around bed, wheelchair turnaround, and patient equipment including lift/transfer devices, furniture, and family visiting area.

3. AC: Patient Bathroom (TSPS1) ...................................................... 120 NSF (11.2 NSM)
   Provide one per each One-Bed and two per each Two-Bed AC Patient Room.
   
   Allocated NSF accommodates one accessible toilet @ 25 NSF, one accessible wall-hung lavatory @ 13 NSF, one self-care vanity (SCI/D) lavatory @ 10 NSF, one SCI/D shower @ 52 NSF, ABA clearances, and circulation. The toilet / shower room must accommodate both independent and dependent bowel / bladder care and bathing / showering.

4. AC: Negative Pressure Isolation Patient Room (BRIT1)...210 NSF (19.6 NSM)
   Provide two per each SCI/D Acute Care Patient Care Unit.

5. AC: Isolation Anteroom (BRAR1) .................................................... 75 NSF (7.0 NSM)
   Provide one per each Negative Pressure Isolation Patient Room.
   
   The isolation alcove, or anteroom, provides for medical isolation primarily for patients with a communicable disease or other condition that may compromise patients and/or staff.

6. AC: Isolation Patient Bathroom (TSPS1) ...................................... 120 NSF (11.2 NSM)
   Provide one per each Negative Pressure Isolation Patient Room.
   
   Allocated NSF accommodates one accessible toilet @ 25 NSF, one accessible wall-hung lavatory @ 13 NSF, one self-care vanity (SCI/D) lavatory @ 10 NSF, one SCI/D shower @ 52 NSF, ABA clearances, and circulation. The toilet / shower room must accommodate both independent and dependent bowel / bladder care and bathing / showering.

7. AC: Day Room / Lounge (DAYR1) ............................................. 400 NSF (37.2 NSM)
   Minimum NSF; provide an additional 25 NSF per each projected Acute Care patient bed greater than thirty; maximum 550 NSF; provide one per each SCI/D Acute Care Patient Care Unit.
   
   This area provides space for patients to visit with family, friends, and other patients. Unsupervised activities also occur in this area. The Day Room should not be located near the Nurse Station.

8. AC: Nourishment Kitchen (NCWD1) ........................................... 100 NSF (9.3 NSM)
   Provide one per each SCI/D Acute Care Patient Care Unit.
This area is accessed directly by patients and by staff as well as other caregivers for patient needs.

9. **AC: Patient Toilet (TPG01)** ...................................................... 60 NSF (5.6 NSM)  
   *Provide one per each SCI/D Acute Care Patient Care Unit.*  
   Allocated NSF accommodates one accessible toilet @ 25 NSF, one accessible wall-hung lavatory @ 13 NSF, ABA clearances, and circulation.

10. **AC: Patient Laundry (LAUN1)** ............................................... 100 NSF (9.3 NSM)  
   *Provide one per each SCI/D Acute Care Patient Care Unit.*  
   This room provides washer, dryer and folding space for personal patient laundry.

11. **AC: Quiet Room (OFDC2)** .................................................... 150 NSF (14.0 NSM)  
    *Provide one per each SCI/D Acute Care Patient Care Unit.*  
    This area provides space for quiet activities such as reading, writing letters, studying, etc. The space should accommodate one or two patients or one patient with family members or staff when privacy is required.

**D. FA 4: Long Term Care (LTC) Unit Patient Area:**

The minimum number of patient beds to generate one Long Term Care Unit is twenty; the maximum is forty.

1. **LTC: One-Bed Patient Room (BRMS1)** ............................... 320 NSF (29.8 NSM)  
   *Provide one for seventy-two percent of the total number of Long Term Care patient beds projected.*  
   This room provides space for care and treatment of one inpatient; it includes bed area and clearance around bed, wheelchair turnaround, and patient equipment including lift/transfer devices, furniture, and family visiting area.

2. **LTC: Two-Bed Patient Room (BRMS2)** ............................... 480 NSF (44.6 NSM)  
   *Provide one for fourteen percent of the total number of Long Term Care patient beds projected.*  
   This room provides space for care and treatment of two inpatients; it includes bed area and clearance around bed, wheelchair turnaround, and patient equipment including lift/transfer devices, furniture, and family visiting area.

3. **LTC: Patient Bathroom (TSPS1)** ......................................... 120 NSF (11.2 NSM)  
   *Provide one per each One-Bed and two per each Two-Bed LTC Patient Room.*  
   Allocated NSF accommodates one accessible toilet @ 25 NSF, one accessible wall-hung lavatory @ 13 NSF, one self-care vanity (SCI/D) lavatory @ 10 NSF, one SCI/D shower @ 52 NSF, ABA clearances, and circulation. The toilet / shower room must accommodate both independent and dependent bowel / bladder care and bathing / showering.

4. **LTC: Negative Pressure Isolation Patient Room (BRIT1)** ..................... 320 NSF (29.8 NSM)  
   *Provide one per each Negative Pressure Isolation Patient Room authorized for each SCI/D Long Term Care Patient Care Unit.*

5. **LTC: Isolation Anteroom (BRAR1)** ........................................ 75 NSF (7.0 NSM)  
   *Provide one per each Negative Pressure Isolation Patient Room.*  
   The isolation alcove, or anteroom, provides for medical isolation primarily for patients with a communicable disease or other condition that may compromise patients and/or staff.
6. **LTC: Isolation Patient Bathroom (TSPS1)** .......................... 120 NSF (11.2 NSM)  
   *Provide one per each Negative Pressure Isolation Patient Room.*

   Allocated NSF accommodates one accessible toilet @ 25 NSF, one accessible wall-hung lavatory @ 13 NSF, one self-care vanity (SCI/D) lavatory @ 10 NSF, one SCI/D shower @ 52 NSF, ABA clearances, and circulation. The toilet/shower room must accommodate both independent and dependent bowel / bladder care and bathing / showering.

7. **LTC: Day Room / Lounge (DAYR1)** ..................................... 400 NSF (37.2 NSM)  
   *Minimum NSF; provide an additional 25 NSF per each projected Long Term Care bed greater than thirty; maximum 550 NSF; provide one per each SCI/D Long Term Care Patient Care Unit.*

   This area provides space for patients to visit with family, friends, and other patients. Unsupervised activities also occur in this area. The Day Room should not be located near the Nurse Station.

8. **LTC: Nourishment Kitchen (NCWD1)** ..................................... 100 NSF (9.3 NSM)  
   *Provide one per each SCI/D Long Term Care Patient Care Unit.*

   This area is accessed directly by patients and by staff as well as other caregivers for patient needs.

9. **LTC: Patient Toilet (TPG01)** ..................................................... 60 NSF (5.6 NSM)  
   *Provide one per each SCI/D Long Term Care Patient Care Unit.*

   Allocated NSF accommodates one accessible toilet @ 25 NSF, one accessible wall-hung lavatory @ 13 NSF, ABA clearances, and circulation.

10. **LTC: Patient Laundry (LAUN1)** .............................................. 100 NSF (9.3 NSM)  
    *Provide one per each SCI/D Long Term Care Patient Care Unit.*

    This room provides washer, dryer and folding space for personal patient laundry.

11. **LTC: Quiet Room (OFDC2)** .................................................. 150 NSF (13.9 NSM)  
    *Provide one per each SCI/D Long Term Care Patient Care Unit.*

    This area provides space for quiet activities such as reading, writing letters, studying, etc. The space should accommodate one or two patients or one patient with family members or staff when privacy is required.

**E. FA 5: Acute Care (AC) Support Area:**

1. **AC: Nurse Station (NSTA1)** .................................................. 300 NSF (27.9 NSM)  
   *Minimum NSF; provide one for each SCI/D Acute Care Patient Care Unit; provide an additional 10 NSF per each increment of two projected SCI/D Acute Care patient beds greater than twenty; maximum 330 NSF.*

   The Nurse Station serves as a working and control center for nursing, physicians, other clinical staff, and administrative staff as required.

2. **AC: Ward Clerk Workstation (OFA07)** ................................. 56 NSF (5.3 NSM)  
   *Provide one per each SCI/D Acute Care Patient Care Unit.*

   This area may be integral to the staff station. Provides space for personnel associated with Medical Administration Services in support of inpatient activities.

3. **AC: Medication Room (MEDP1)** .......................................... 120 NSF (11.2 NSM)  
   *Provide one per each SCI/D Acute Care Patient Care Unit.*
This area provides space for all of the medications assigned to the patient unit and medical supplies needing secured storage. Medications are kept in locked storage units that are part of an overall Medical Center pharmacy system. Refrigerated storage is provided for medications and solutions requiring controlled temperature.

4. **AC: Nurse Supervisor Office (OFA04)** .......................130 NSF (12.1 NSM) 
   *Provide one per each Nurse Supervisor FTE position authorized for each SCI/D Acute Care Patient Care Unit.*

   This area provides space for the head nurse or nurse supervisor in the management of the patient unit. It is sized to accommodate SCI/D patients who may be using a litter rather than a wheelchair. The Nurse Supervisor Office may be shared by all shifts. Location should be near the Nurse Station.

5. **AC: Patient Charting (WRCH1)** ...............................150 NSF (14.0 NSM) 
   *Provide one per each SCI/D Acute Care Patient Unit.*

   This room provides for three computer workstations and counter space.

6. **AC: Clean Utility Room (UCCL1)** ............................150 NSF (14.0 NSM) 
   *Minimum NSF; provide an additional 5 NSF per each projected Acute Care bed greater than thirty; maximum 180 NSF; provide one per each SCI/D Acute Care Patient Unit.*

   This area provides storage for sterile and non-sterile medical supplies.

7. **AC: Soiled Utility Room (USCL1)** ............................120 NSF (11.2 NSM) 
   *Minimum NSF; provide an additional 4 NSF per each projected Acute Care bed greater than thirty; maximum 144 NSF; provide one per each SCI/D Acute Care Patient Unit.*

   This room is used for the clean up of equipment, utensils, and instruments as well as the disposal of waste material. Also, this room may be used for the temporary holding of items to be returned to SPD.

8. **AC: Clean Linen Storage (LCCL1)** ............................80 NSF (7.5 NSM) 
   *Provide one per each SCI/D Acute Care Patient Unit.*

9. **AC: Soiled Linen Storage (LCSL1)** ............................60 NSF (5.6 NSM) 
   *Provide one per each SCI/D Acute Care Patient Unit.*

10. **AC: Litter Storage (SRLW1)** .................................300 NSF (27.9 NSM) 
    *Minimum NSF; provide an additional 10 NSF per each projected Acute Care bed greater than twenty; maximum 360 NSF; provide one per each SCI/D Acute Care Patient Unit.*

    This area provides space for personal transport devices such as litters and other large equipment items and devices.

11. **AC: Transfer Equipment Storage (SRE01)** ..................210 NSF (13.1 NSM) 
    *Minimum NSF; provide an additional 7 NSF per each projected Acute Care bed greater than twenty; maximum 252 NSF; provide one per each SCI/D Acute Care Patient Unit.*

    This space accommodates the safe storage of standard and electric wheelchairs, litters, lifts and mobilizers, and any other devices required for patient transport.
12. **AC: Medical Equipment Storage (SRE01)** ........................................ 180 NSF (16.8 NSM)
   Minimum NSF; provide an additional 6 NSF per each projected Acute Care bed
greater than twenty; maximum 216 NSF; provide one per each SCI/D Acute Care
Patient Unit.

13. **AC: Stretcher / Wheelchair Storage Alcove (SRLW1)** ................. 40 NSF (3.8 NSM)
   Provide one per each SCI/D Acute Care Patient Unit.
   This area provides an on-unit location for the temporary holding of patient
   stretchers.

14. **AC: Patient Storage (SRPB1)** ....................................................... 120 NSF (11.2 NSM)
   Minimum NSF; provide an additional 6 NSF per each projected Acute Care bed
greater than twenty; maximum 180 NSF; provide one per each SCI/D Acute Care
Patient Unit.
   This space is provided for patients’ luggage and other items that are not needed
   by patients on a daily basis.

15. **AC: Housekeeping Aides Closet (HAC) (JANC1)** ............................. 60 NSF (5.6 NSM)
   Provide one per each SCI/D Acute Care Patient Unit.

**F. FA 6: Long Term Care (LTC) Support Area:**

1. **LTC: Nurse Station (NSTA1)** ...................................................... 300 NSF (27.9 NSM)
   Minimum NSF; provide one for each SCI/D Long Term Care Patient Care Unit;
   provide an additional 10 NSF for every increment of two projected SCI/D Long
   Term Care patient beds (in the patient care unit) greater than thirty; maximum 330
   NSF.
   The Nurse Station serves as a working and control center for nursing, physicians,
   other clinical staff, and administrative staff as required.

2. **LTC: Ward Clerk Workstation (OFA07)** ..................................... 56 NSF (5.3 NSM)
   Provide one per each SCI/D Long Term Care Patient Care Unit.
   This area may be integral to the staff station. Provides space for personnel
   associated with Medical Administration Services in support of inpatient activities.

3. **LTC: Medication Room (MEDP1)** ................................................. 120 NSF (11.2 NSM)
   Provide one per each SCI/D Long Term Care Patient Care Unit.
   This area provides space for all of the medications assigned to the patient unit
   and medical supplies needing secured storage. Medications are kept in locked
   storage units that are part of an overall Medical Center pharmacy system.
   Refrigerated storage is provided for medications and solutions requiring controlled
   temperature.

4. **LTC: Nurse Supervisor Office (OFD01)** ...................................... 130 NSF (12.1 NSM)
   Provide one per each Nurse Supervisor FTE position authorized for every SCI/D
   Long Term Care Patient Care Unit.
   This area provides space for the head nurse or nurse supervisor in the
   management of the patient unit. It is sized to accommodate SCI/D patients who
   may be using a litter rather than a wheelchair. The Nurse Supervisor Office may
   be shared by all shifts, and should be located near the Nurse Station.
5. **LTC: Clean Utility Room (UCCL1)** ........................................ 150 NSF (14.0 NSM)  
   Minimum NSF; provide an additional 5 NSF per each projected Long Term Care bed greater than twenty; maximum 180 NSF; provide one per each SCI/D Long Term Care Patient Unit.
   
   This area provides storage for sterile and non-sterile medical supplies.

6. **LTC: Soiled Utility Room (USCL1)** ...................................... 120 NSF (11.2 NSM)  
   Minimum NSF; provide an additional 4 NSF per each projected Long Term Care bed greater than twenty; maximum 144 NSF; provide one per each SCI/D Long Term Care Patient Unit.
   
   This room is used for the clean up of equipment, utensils, and instruments as well as the disposal of waste material. Also, this room may be used for the temporary holding of items to be returned to SPD.

7. **LTC: Clean Linen Storage (LCCL1)** ........................................ 80 NSF (7.5 NSM)  
   Provide one per each SCI/D Long Term Care Patient Unit.

8. **LTC: Soiled Linen Storage (LSCL1)** ........................................ 60 NSF (5.6 NSM)  
   Provide one per each SCI/D Long Term Care Patient Unit.

9. **LTC: Litter Storage (SRLW1)** ............................................ 300 NSF (27.9 NSM)  
   Minimum NSF; provide an additional 10 NSF per each projected Long Term Care bed greater than twenty; maximum 360 NSF; provide one per each SCI/D Long Term Care Patient Unit.
   
   This area provides space for personal transport devices such as litters and other large equipment items and devices.

10. **LTC: Transfer Equipment Storage (SRE01)** ....................... 210 NSF (19.5 NSM)  
    Minimum NSF; provide an additional 7 NSF per each projected Long Term Care bed greater than twenty; maximum 252 NSF; provide one per each SCI/D Long Term Care Patient Unit.
    
    This space accommodates the safe storage of standard and electric wheelchairs, litters, lifts and mobilizers, and any other devices required for patient transport.

11. **LTC: Medical Equipment Storage (SRE01)** ........................ 180 NSF (16.8 NSM)  
    Minimum NSF; provide an additional 6 NSF per each projected Long Term Care bed greater than twenty; maximum 216 180 NSF; provide one per each SCI/D Long Term Care Patient Unit.

12. **LTC: Stretcher / Wheelchair Alcove (SRLW1)** ...................... 40 NSF (3.8 NSM)  
    Provide one per each SCI/D Long Term Care Patient Unit.
    
    This area provides an on-unit location for the temporary holding of patient stretchers.

13. **LTC: Patient Storage (SRPB1)** ............................................ 180 NSF (16.8 NSM)  
    Minimum NSF; provide an additional 6 NSF per each projected Long Term Care bed greater than twenty; maximum 216 NSF; provide one per each SCI/D Long Term Care Patient Unit.
    
    This space is provided for patients’ luggage and other items that are not needed by patients on a daily basis.

14. **LTC: Housekeeping Aides Closet (HAC) (JANC1)** ................. 60 NSF (5.6 NSM)  
    Provide one per each SCI/D Long Term Care Patient Unit.
G. FA 7: Patient Area:

1. **Multipurpose Room (DAYR1) .............................................. 800 NSF (74.3 NSM)**
   
   Minimum NSF; provide one for Spinal Cord Injury / Disorders Center; provide an additional 25 NSF per each projected Acute Care and Long Term Care patient bed greater than twenty; maximum 1600 NSF.
   
   This room accommodates a wide variety of recreational activities and is used also by patients for self-directed activities.

2. **Storage, Multipurpose / Activities (SRS01) .......................... 100 NSF (9.3 NSM)**
   
   Provide one for Multipurpose Room.

3. **Internet Café (XXYYC) .......................................................... 240 NSF (22.3 NSM)**
   
   Provide one if an Internet Café for SCI/D Center is authorized.

4. **Meditation Room (RAMR1) .................................................. 150 NSF (13.9 NSM)**
   
   Provide one for the SCI/D Center.
   
   This room provides for the group spiritual and meditation needs of patients, families, and visitors. It should provide a peaceful and meditative environment.

5. **Patient Education (OFD03) .................................................. 250 NSF (23.2 NSM)**
   
   Provide one for the SCI/D Center.
   
   This room may serve as an Internet Café, or Computer/Assistive Technology Laboratory. It may include computer work stations as well as print, visual, and audio resources.

6. **Resident Dining / Serving (FSCD1) ......................................... 1600 NSF (148.6 NSM)**
   
   Minimum NSF; provide an additional 30 NSF per each projected Acute Care and Long Term Care bed greater than thirty; maximum 2,500 NSF.
   
   This room includes space for dining as well as a service line for meal selection and serving. Patients eat lunch and dinner here as breakfast is typically in the patient room. This area provides space for SCI/D patients to visit with family / friends.

7. **Tub Room (BTSCI) ................................................................. 100 NSF (9.3 NSM)**
   
   Minimum one; provide an additional one per every increment of two SCI/D Patient Care Units greater than two.
   
   Allocated NSF accommodates one accessible counter lavatory @ 16 NSF, one walk-in bathtub @ 25 NSF, one accessible bench @ 16 NSF, ABA clearances, and circulation. This space may be combined with Hydrotherapy, and located within or adjacent to the inpatient unit. The area provides space for patient bathing needs that can not be accommodated in individual patient rooms.

8. **Exam / Treatment Room (TRGM1) ........................................ 180 NSF (16.7 NSM)**
   
   Minimum one; provide an additional one per every increment of two SCI/D Patient Care Units greater than two.
   
   This area provides space for patient treatments and procedures that can not be conducted in the patient room.

9. **Hydrotherapy (PTWT1) ......................................................... 380 NSF (35.4 NSM)**
   
   Minimum one; provide an additional one per every increment of two SCI/D Patient Care Units greater than two.
This area may be combined with the Tub Room and located within or adjacent to the inpatient unit. This area provides a location for hydrotherapy facilities for SCI/D inpatients. Treatments include both muscular and skin reconditioning therapies.

H. FA 8: Staff and Administrative Area:

1. Visitor Lounge (WTF02) ....................................................... 200 NSF (18.6 NSM)
   Provide one for every increment of two SCI/D Patient Care Units.
   Allocated NSF accommodates one lounge chair @ 12 NSF, one 2-seat sofa @ 32 NSF, one 3-seat sofa @ 40 NSF, one accessible space @ 10 NSF, and circulation; total seven people.

2. Office, Activities Coordinator (OFA04) ......................... 130 NSF (12.1 NSM)
   Provide one per each Activities Coordinator FTE position authorized.
   The area provides office space for one patient and recreation therapy staff assigned to the SCI/D Center that provide care on the patient unit(s).

3. Office, Veterans Service Organization (OFA04) ............... 130 NSF (12.1 NSM)
   Provide one for the SCI/D Center.
   This room is sized to accommodate a patient using a litter.

4. Office, NSO-PVA Organization (OFA04) ...................... 130 NSF (12.1 NSM)
   Provide one per SCI/D Center.
   This room is sized to accommodate a patient using a litter. Privacy is required for this office.

5. Conference Room (CFR02) ................................................. 300 NSF (27.9 NSM)
   Provide one for the SCI/D Center.
   Allocated NSF accommodates ten conference chairs @ 7.5 NSF each, four 5'-0" x 2'-0" tables at 10 NSF each, one credenza @ 8 NSF, and circulation; total ten people. This area provides for a multitude of staff needs including work area, patient treatment review sessions, and shift change report. The Conference may be located directly adjacent to the units.

6. Linen, Clean Holding, EMS (LCCL1) .................. 40 NSF (3.8 NSM)
   Minimum NSF; provide an additional 1.2 NSF per each projected SCI/D bed greater than thirty.

7. Bedroom, On-Call (DUTY1) ............................................. 120 NSF (11.2 NSM)
   Provide one if On-Call Bedroom is authorized.

8. Toilet / Shower, On-Call Bedroom (TSSU1) ...................... 80 NSF (7.5 NSM)
   Provide one if On-Call Bedroom is authorized.
   Allocated NSF accommodates one accessible toilet @ 25 NSF, one accessible wall-hung lavatory @ 13 NSF, one accessible shower @ 28 NSF, ABA clearances, and circulation.

I. FA 9: SCI/D Patient Clinic Area:

1. Waiting (WTG14) .............................................................. 290 NSF (27.0 NSM)
   Provide one if an SCI/D Patient Clinic is authorized.
Allocated space accommodates twelve standard chairs @ 9 NSF each, one bariatric chair @ 14 NSF, one accessible space @ 10 NSF, and circulation; total fourteen people.

2. **Reception (RCP02)** .............................................................. 260 NSF (24.2 NSM)

   *Provide one if an SCI/D Patient Clinic is authorized.*

   Allocated NSF accommodates two Receptionist FTEs, patient privacy area, and circulation.

3. **Toilet, Public (TNPG1)** ..................................................... 60 NSF (5.6 NSM)

   *Provide two if an SCI/D Patient Clinic is authorized.*

   Allocated NSF accommodates one accessible toilet @ 25 NSF, one wall-hung lavatory @ 12 NSF, ABA clearances, and circulation. One for male and one for female.

4. **Exam / Treatment Room (TRGS1)** .................................... 180 NSF (16.7 NSM)

   *Provide six if an SCI/D Patient Clinic is authorized.*

   Exam / Treatment Rooms are used for evaluations of patients on annual consultations, examination during outpatient treatment, and after completion of therapy.

5. **Toilet, Patient (TPG01)** ..................................................... 60 NSF (5.6 NSM)

   *Provide one if an SCI/D Patient Clinic is authorized.*

   Allocated NSF accommodates one accessible toilet @ 25 NSF, one accessible wall-hung lavatory @ 13 NSF, ABA clearances, and circulation.

6. **Urodynamics: Exam / Treatment Room (EXUD1)** .......... 180 NSF (16.8 NSM)

   *Provide one if an SCI/D Patient Clinic and Urodynamics are authorized.*

   This area provides space for GU exams / treatments, any preparation required for cystoscopy / Urodynamics, and for any special procedures. A urological exam table is used and a Urodynamic Measurement System with computer record is located here. Verify that this room does not duplicate space and functions available in adjacent VA Medical Center.

7. **Urodynamics: Cystoscopy (XDCY1)** ................................. 500 NSF (54.9 NSM)

   *Provide one if an SCI/D Patient Clinic and Urodynamics are authorized.*

   This room is used for Cystotoscopy Examinations, procedures and for Lithotripsy. Portable / mobile equipment may assist in allowing space to be used for several purposes, provided adjacent storage space is available to park equipment when not in use.

8. **Urodynamics:**

   **Storage / Instrument Cleaning Room (SRS01)** .................... 400 SF (37.2 NSM)

   *Provide one if an SCI/D Patient Clinic and Urodynamics are authorized.*

   This space is used to support the Cystoscopy room for exams, procedures and for lithotripsy. Portable / mobile equipment used in examinations and procedures is kept in adjacent storage space when not in use. Scopes are disinfected and cleaned in the Instrument Room.

9. **Urodynamics: Recovery (RRSS1)** .................................... 300 NSF (27.9 NSM)

   *Provide one if an SCI/D Patient Clinic and Urodynamics are authorized.*

   This room is used for the recovery of patients who have undergone Cystoscopy
exams and procedures, and / or Lithotripsy. Verify that this room does not duplicate space and functions available in adjacent VA Medical Center.

10. **Urodynamics: Dressing Room / Cubicle (DR001)** ............... 100 NSF (9.3 NSM)
    *Provide one if an SCI/D Patient Clinic and Urodynamics are authorized.*
    Verify that this room does not duplicate space and functions available in adjacent VA Medical Center.

11. **Urodynamics: Patient Shower (SHPU1)** ......................... 70 NSF (6.6 NSM)
    *Provide one if an SCI/D Patient Clinic and Urodynamics are authorized.*
    Allocated NSF accommodates one accessible shower @ 28 NSF, one accessible bench @ 16 NSF, ABA clearances, and circulation.

12. **Urodynamics: Urologist Office (OFD01)** ....................... 130 NSF (12.1 NSM)
    *Provide one per each Urologist FTE position authorized and if an SCI/D Patient Clinic and Urodynamics are authorized.*
    This room is sized to provide access for a patient using a litter. Verify that this room does not duplicate space and functions available in adjacent VA Medical Center.

13. **Consult Room (OFDC2)** ........................................... 130 NSF (12.1 NSM)
    *Provide one if an SCI/D Patient Clinic is authorized.*

14. **Urodynamics: Utility, Clean (UCCL1)** ......................... 120 NSF (11.2 NSM)
    *Provide one if an SCI/D Urodynamics Clinic is authorized.*

15. **Office, SCI/D Clinician (OFA04)** .................................... 130 NSF (12.1 NSM)
    *Provide one per each SCI/D Clinician FTE position authorized.*
    This room is sized to accommodate a patient using a litter.

16. **Utility Room, Clean (UCCL1)** ........................................ 120 NSF (11.2 NSM)
    *Provide one if an SCI/D Patient Clinic is authorized.*
    This area provides space for storage of sterile and non-sterile medical supplies.

17. **Utility Room, Soiled (USCL1)** ....................................... 80 NSF (7.4 NSM)
    *Provide one if an SCI/D Patient Clinic is authorized.*
    This room is used for the clean up of equipment, utensils, and instruments as well as the disposal of waste material. The Soiled Utility may also be used for the temporary holding of items to be returned to SPD.

18. **Nurse Station (NSTA1)** .............................................. 150 NSF (13.9 NSM)
    *Provide one if an SCI/D Patient Clinic is authorized.*
    The staff station serves as a working area and control center for nurses and other staff working in the SCI/D Patient Clinic.

19. **SCI/D Pharmacy (PHOD1)** ........................................... 160 NSF (14.9 NSM)
    *Provide one if an SCI/D Patient Clinic and an SCI/D Pharmacy are authorized.*

20. **Housekeeping Aides Closet (HAC) (JANC1)** .................... 60 NSF (5.6 NSM)
    *Provide one if an SCI/D Patient Clinic is authorized.*

J. **FA 10: SCI/D Patient Therapy Area:**

1. **Physical Therapy / Kinesiology Therapy (PTES1)** ....... 3,000 NSF (278.7 NSM)
    *Provide one for the SCI/D Center.*
This area provides space for physical therapy treatment and gymnasium, which is provided with equipment for several functions including mats, platforms, gait training, parallel bars, and weights as well as other resistive equipment including orthotic and prosthetic training services.

2. **Occupational Therapy (OTEV1)** ........................................... 800 NSF (74.3 NSM)
   *Provide one for the SCI/D Center.*
   This room accommodates a wide variety of physical, psychosocial, and vocational evaluation and therapy equipment.

3. **Occupational Therapy, PT / OT / KT (XXYYC)** ............... 800 NSF (74.3 NSM)
   *Provide one for the SCI/D Center.*

4. **Activities of Daily Living (OTDL1)** ................................. 200 NSF (18.6 NSM)
   *Provide one for the SCI/D Center.*
   This space is provided for patient retraining and practice of activities that individuals need to perform in order to live independently. They include bathing, physical ambulation, grooming, dressing, feeding, and toileting. Facilities include a mock bedroom, kitchen, and bathroom.

5. **Home Environment Learning (XXYYC)** ............................ 660 NSF (61.4 NSM)
   *Provide one for the SCI/D Center.*
   This area is used to assess the SCI/D patient’s level of independence, and to promote a successful transition from the patient care unit to the patient’s home environment.

6. **Horticulture Therapy (XXYYC)** ............................................. 150 NSF (13.9 NSM)
   *Provide one for the SCI/D Center.*
   This area provides space for patients to perform simple gardening activities under direct supervision of the recreational therapist.

7. **Storage, Equipment (SRE01)** ........................................... (200) NSF (18.6 NSM)
   *Minimum NSF; provide an additional 100 NSF if the total number of projected SCI/D Acute and Long Term Care beds is greater than sixty.*

8. **Therapeutic Pool (PTWT1)** .............................................. 2,000 NSF (204.3 NSM)
   *Provide one if Therapeutic Pool is authorized.*
   Dedicated SCI/D Pool. The Therapeutic Pool functions as a treatment area where patients may exercise, ambulate, or participate in game activities. The heated pool helps alleviate pain, increase blood circulation, and makes physical movement or motion easier to accomplish.

9. **Dressing Room, Male (DR001)** ........................................... 300 NSF (29.9 NSM)
   *Provide one if Therapeutic Pool is authorized.*

10. **Dressing Room, Female (DR001)** ........................................ 230 NSF (21.4 NSM)
    *Provide one if Therapeutic Pool is authorized.*

11. **Workstation, Therapist (OFA07)** ................................. 56 NSF (5.3 NSM)
    *Provide one per each Therapist FTE position authorized.*

12. **Toilet, Patient (TPG01)** .................................................. 60 NSF (5.6 NSM)
    *Provide one for SCI/D Patient Therapy.*
    Allocated NSF accommodates one accessible toilet @ 25 NSF, one accessible wall-hung lavatory @ 13 NSF, ABA clearances, and circulation.
K. FA 11: SCI/D Home Care Area:

1. Interview Room (OFDC2) ..................................................... 120 NSF (11.2 NSM)
   Provide one for SCI/D Home Care.

2. Office, Home Care Coordinator (OFA04) ............................ 130 NSF (12.1 NSM)
   Provide one per Home Care Coordinator FTE position authorized.
   This room is sized to provide access for patients using a litter and shall be shared with other clinicians.

3. Workstation, SCI/D Home Care Staff (OFA07) ....................... 56 NSF (5.3 NSM)
   Provide one per each SCI/D Home Care Staff FTE position authorized.

4. Storage, SCI/D Home Care (SRE01) ........................................ 30 NSF (2.8 NSM)
   Provide one for SCI/D Home Care.

L. FA 12: SCI/D Staff and Administrative Area:

1. Office, Spinal Cord Injury / Disorders Center (SCI/D) Chief (OFA09) .............................. 100 NSF (9.3 NSM)
   Provide one for Spinal Cord Injury / Disorders Center (SCI/D).

2. Waiting (WTG03) ...................................................................... 80 NSF (7.5 NSM)
   Allocate space accommodates one standard chair @ 9 NSF, one bariatric chair @ 14 NSF, one accessible space @ 10 NSF, and circulation; total three people.

3. Workstation, Secretary (OFA07) ............................................. 56 NSF (5.3 NSM)
   Provide one for Spinal Cord Injury / Disorders Center (SCI/D).

4. Workstation, Psychologist (OFA07) ....................................... 56 NSF (5.3 NSM)
   Provide one per each Psychologist FTE position authorized.

5. Workstation, Social Worker (OFA07) ...................................... 56 NSF (5.3 NSM)
   Provide one per each Social Worker FTE position authorized.

6. Workstation, Dietitian (OFA07) ............................................... 56 NSF (5.3 NSM)
   Provide one per each Dietitian FTE position authorized.

7. Office, SCI/D Nurse Administrator (OFA09) ......................... 100 NSF (9.3 NSM)
   Provide one for Spinal Cord Injury / Disorders Center (SCI/D).
   This area provides work space for nursing administrative staff dedicated to the SCI/D Center.

8. Workstation, Physician (OFA07) ............................................. 56 NSF (5.3 NSM)
   Provide one per each Physician FTE position authorized.
   This room is sized to provide access for patients using a litter and shall be shared with other clinicians.

9. Consult Room (OFDC2) ......................................................... 130 NSF (5.3 NSM)
   Provide two for SCI/D Patient Clinic.

10. Conference Room (CFR02) .................................................. 300 NSF (27.9 NSM)
    Provide one for Spinal Cord Injury / Disorders Center (SCI/D).
    Allocated NSF accommodates ten conference chairs @ 7.5 NSF each, four 5'-0” x 2'-0” tables at 10 NSF each, one credenza @ 8 NSF, and circulation; total ten people.
11. **Medical Records / QA (MRS01)** ................................. 150 NSF (13.9 NSM)
   Provide one for Spinal Cord Injury / Disorders Center if handling of Medical Records at the Department Level is authorized.

   This area provides work space for personnel involved in medical records and quality assurance.

12. **Workstation, Clerical (OFA07)** ................................. 56 NSF (5.3 NSM)
   Provide one per each Clerical FTE position authorized.

13. **Office, Administrative Officer (OFA09)** ...................... 100 NSF (9.3 NSM)
   Provide one per each Administrative Officer FTE position authorized.

14. **Lounge, Staff (SL001)**  ........................................... 80 NSF (7.5 NSM)
   Minimum NSF; provide an additional 15 NSF per each Spinal Cord Injury / Disorders Center (SCI/D) FTE position working on peak shift greater than five; maximum 210 NSF.

15. **Locker Room, Staff (LR001)** ................................... 80 NSF (7.5 NSM)
   Minimum NSF if total number of Spinal Cord Injury / Disorders Center (SCI/D) FTE positions not authorized to have office or work space is between five and thirteen; provide an additional 6 NSF per each Spinal Cord Injury / Disorders Center (SCI/D) FTE position not authorized to have office or work space is greater than thirteen.

   Provide locker space only for those FTEs without assigned office or work space. For less than five FTE combine Locker Room facilities with adjacent department or sum in chapter 410.

16. **Toilet, Staff (TNPG1)** ............................................. 60 NSF (5.6 NSM)
   Provide two for Spinal Cord Injury / Disorders Center (SCI/D).

   Allocated NSF accommodates one accessible toilet @ 25 NSF, one wall-hung lavatory @ 12 NSF, ABA clearances, and circulation.

17. **Shower, Staff (SHSU1)** ........................................... 70 NSF (6.6 NSM)
   Provide one for Spinal Cord Injury / Disorders Center (SCI/D).

   Allocated NSF accommodates one accessible shower @ 28 NSF, one accessible bench @ 16 NSF, ABA clearances, and circulation.

**M. FA 13: Education Area:**

Education spaces to be provided only upon authorization by program officials as critical to the SCI program at the facility.

1. **Office, Residency Program Director (OFA09)** .................. 100 NSF (9.3 NSM)
   Provided one if an SCI Residency Program is authorized.

2. **Team Room (SL002)** ............................................... 240 NSF (22.3 NSM)
   Provide two per each SCI Patient Care Unit if a Team Room for Education Area is authorized.

   This space will be used by trainees and staff for patient charting and consultation. The area will accommodate five workstations, a small conference table and personal property lockers for use by medical students.

3. **Training Room, Resident (CFR02)** ............................. 300 NSF (27.9 NSM)
   Provide one if a Resident Training Room for the SCI Residency Program is authorized.
Allocated NSF accommodates ten conference chairs @ 7.5 NSF each, four 5'-0" x 2'-0" tables at 10 NSF each, one credenza @ 8 NSF, and circulation; total ten people.

6 PLANNING AND DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS

A. Net-to-department gross factor (NTDG) for Spinal Cord Injury / Disorders Center is 1.70 This number, when multiplied by the programmed Net Square Foot (NSF) area determines the Departmental Gross Square Feet (DGSF).

B. SCI/D patient care units are organized according to the level of SCI/D care required. Intensive Rehab and Sustaining Care patients have similar design needs and can be combined. Long-Term SCI/D Care should be physically separate because of the different requirements for that level of care.

C. The one-bed patient room is recommended for most SCI/D patients to adequately provide for infection control, patient privacy, and effectiveness of patient treatment. Dimensions of 16’ by 20’ are recommended as a minimum to accommodate the SCI/D patient. Ceiling height should be 9’ minimum to accommodate ceiling mounted lift equipment. 60 percent of SCI/D beds should be one-bed rooms. For example, in a 30-bed unit 73% of the rooms would be private.

D. The two-bed patient room may be appropriate for some SCI/D patients. Dimensions of 16'-0" by 30'-0" are recommended as a minimum for the SCI/D two-bed room, when used. Ceiling height should be 9’ minimum to accommodate ceiling mounted lift equipment.

E. Typical SCI/D Patient Bathroom recommended dimensions are 10'-0" by 12'-0", with a minimum ceiling height of 9'-0" to accommodate patient lift equipment.

F. Decentralized Nurse Stations, located near clusters of patient rooms, should be considered when planning patient care units.

G. Centralize therapies, where practical, for more efficient use of staff. Co-treatment of patients by physical, occupational, and kinesiotherapists are best supported by contiguous therapy space. For SCI/D Centers with more than one patient unit, centralize dining off-unit, where practical, for more efficient use of resources.
7 FUNCTIONAL RELATIONSHIPS

Relationship of Spinal Cord Injury / Disorders Center to Services Listed Below:

TABLE 1: FUNCTIONAL RELATIONSHIP MATRIX

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Legend:

Relationship:
1. Adjacent
2. Close / Same Floor
3. Close / Different Floor Acceptable
4. Limited Traffic
X. Separation Desirable

Reasons:
A. Common use of resources
B. Accessibility of supplies
C. Urgency of contact
D. Noise or vibration
E. Presence of odors or fumes
F. Contamination hazard
G. Sequence of work
H. Patient convenience
I. Frequent contact
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K. Closeness inappropriate
8 FUNCTIONAL DIAGRAM