Michigan LARA Plan-Review & FGI Edition Quick-Sheet

Healthcare Facility Hub (healthcarefacilityhub.org/fgi-state-adoption-tracker/) | Verified against Mich. Admin. Code R 325.45263

Michigan Regulatory Parameter	Verified Rule / Standard Enforced
Adopting Authority	Michigan Dept. of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA) — Bureau of Community and Health Systems (BCHS) / Bureau of Construction Codes
Governing Administrative Rule	Michigan Administrative Code R 325.45263 (Health Facilities Construction Permit Review)
Adopted FGI Edition	2018 FGI Guidelines — all three documents: (1) Hospitals, (2) Residential Health, Care, and Support Facilities, and (3) Outpatient Facilities
Adopted Ventilation Standard	ASHRAE Standard 170-2017 (Ventilation of Health Care Facilities)
Precedence / State Amendment Rule	Under R 325.45263, where Michigan's own administrative rules are more stringent than the 2018 FGI Guidelines or ASHRAE 170-2017, Michigan state rules take precedence.
Official LARA BCHS Portal	https://www.michigan.gov/lara/bureau-list/bchs/env-health-life-safety-code

Pre-Submission Plan Review Checklist (Design & Engineering Teams)

[ ] Confirm design basis cites the **2018 FGI Guidelines** (Hospitals, Outpatient, or Residential volume matching facility license) — do not submit against un-adopted 2022/2026 FGI clauses unless approved via formal variance/equivalency.

[ ] Align HVAC pressure, air-change, and filtration schedules to **ASHRAE 170-2017** as incorporated by R 325.45263.

[ ] Cross-check Michigan-specific administrative rules before locking room clearances or life-safety details; under R 325.45263, **more stringent Michigan rules override FGI/ASHRAE defaults**.

[ ] Verify current BCHS submission forms, plan-review contacts, and fee schedules directly on the official LARA Environmental Health & Life Safety Code portal before submission.

Planning aid only. The Authority Having Jurisdiction (LARA BCHS / Bureau of Construction Codes) governs final code interpretation for your project.