Division of Health and Human Services

Mental Health and Developmental Services

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Developmental Services Supported Living Arrangements

 NRS 435.3315 - Supported Living Arrangements are defined as individualized services and supports provided to a recipient of developmental services in a variety of living environments with the goal of maximizing the recipients independence and participation in their community.

Supported Living Arrangements within the Continuum of Care

- Intermittent Supported Living Arrangement is defined as direct services provided to a recipient residing in a family/relative home or those living independently in the community i.e. their own apartment/home with no roommates.
- Host Home Supported Living Arrangement is defined as direct services/supports provided to a recipient residing in a non-family or family living environment who need more of a "family" living environment. The family provides intermittent supports/services and includes the individual's in the family's daily life and activities.
- 24 hour Supported Living Arrangement is defined as direct service/support provided to recipients requiring twenty-four hour care with shift staff coverage, awake or sleep staff, who is responsible to provide direct service training and an intensive level of support to assist three to four individuals living together in one residence.

Supported Living Arrangements

- 509 Supported Living Arrangements
- 405 recipients receive Intermittent Supported Living Arrangements
- 31 recipients receive Host Home Supported Living Arrangements
- 73 recipients receive 24-hour Supported Living Arrangements

Supported Living Arrangements Myths vs. Reality

- Myth Recipients reside in "traditional" group home care
 - Agency chooses group home placement
 - Agency requires licensure
 - Recipient has no responsibility for maintenance and upkeep of group home
- Reality Recipients reside in their own homes with roommates
 - Recipients and/or guardians choose their own roommates
 - Homes are rented or leased by the recipient/ guardian and roommates/guardians
 - Recipients and/or guardians choose their certified providers
 - Chosen certified providers are hired to provide 24 hour in-home care to all recipients residing in the home
 - Recipients/guardians are often times responsible for the general maintenance and care of the home and yard
 - Homes do not require licensure

Supported Living Arrangements Provider Certification Requirements

- NRS 435.332 Certification to provide services
- NRS 435.333 Regulation agreements with public and private agencies for provision of services
- Attachments "A" & "B"
 - Developmental Services Certification Process
 - Basic Requirements for Developmental Services Providers of Supported Living

Supported Living Arrangements Quality Assurance

- Certification Regulations
 - Environmental Reviews bi-annually
 - Administrative Reviews every 12 to 24 months
 - Financial Reviews every 12 to 24 months
 - Certifications subsequent to complaints/concerns