Lakemary center	3.1.22	PRIVACY Adult Services & Shared Living Connections	Effective: 02/21; 05/23 Revised: 01/21, 04/21; 03/23 Reviewed/Approved by Bd. of Dir.: 09/24 Kirk Davis, President/CEO
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Policy Statement:

Lakemary (LMC) will protect and advocate for the rights of each person including the right to privacy.

Policy:

Every LMC staff, in every LMC Program and Shared Living Connections home, will arrange for and ensure that the privacy of each person is respected at all times, but especially during personal care activities, when using communication devices, such as the telephone, internet, or other personal communication devices, in personal spaces, and/or at other times desired by the individual. Privacy is also honored when visitors come to their home. Visitors are welcomed whenever the person chooses. Privacy for storage of personal belongings is honored as each person has their own bedroom and can store their belongings as they choose in their personal space. This respect for personal belongings is further honored in LMC employment settings with the use of personal-storage areas marked with the user's name. The person's preferences with respect to their own privacy will be honored, with consideration given to safety-related concerns.

If it is necessary to limit privacy for safety reasons, the limitation and associated safety issue will be clearly defined in the person-centered support plan and reviewed by LMC's Human Rights Committee, with attention given to restoration of privacy when the safety issue no longer exists. This will not affect how the site is intended to operate.

Policy reference:	3.1.13 Rights of Persons Supported3.1.21 Autonomy & Choice Making-Adult Services & Shared Living Connections	
Procedure reference	Adult Services Program Handbook with Procedures Adult Services Procedure Manual with Procedures Shared Living Connections Contract	

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