
	<p>3.1.23</p>	<p>LIVING ENVIRONMENT Adult Services & Shared Living Connections</p>	<p>Effective: 02/21; 05/23 Revised: 02/21, 03/23; 09/24 Reviewed/Approved by Bd. of Dir.: 09/24</p>  <p>Kirk Davis, President/CEO</p>
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Policy Statement:

Lakemary Center (LMC) will protect and advocate for the rights of each person supported including the right to utilize and enjoy their home and community.

Policy:

Every LMC staff, in every LMC Adult Service and contracted Shared Living Connection home, will ensure that every person has access to their home and all its areas, unless there is a safety concern. Safety issues are addressed with a risk assessment and detailed support plan. Every effort is made to restore access as the safety issue is lessened. Their home is separate from where they work unless that individual has chosen to start a home business and this choice is documented in the person-centered support plan.

Persons residing in a rented location will enter into a standard lease that guarantees the same rights, responsibilities, and safeguards from eviction as any other person. Renters will have a key or other method for entering their home at any time of their choosing. Guests to their home, including staff, will knock or ring a doorbell and request permission prior to entering. Persons will have access to all areas of their home and will decorate it, as desired. Accommodations (grab bars, shower seats, wheelchair ramps, etc.) may be utilized in the home, if required by the person to move about their home and function with increased independence and documented in their person-centered support plan. All persons receiving HCBS waiver services will have a person-centered support plan outlining needed adaptive equipment to foster independence in their home.

Policy reference: 3.1.13 Rights of Persons Supported

3.1.21 Autonomy & Choice Making-Adult Services & Shared Living Connections

Procedure reference: Adult Services Program Handbook with Procedures

Adult Services Procedure Manual

Shared Living Connections Contract

Application: Adult Services & Shared Living Connections