

## DDS Residential Services:

- 1. Community Living Arrangement (CLA)**- CLAs, also known as group homes, are settings in which individuals share a home in the community and are supervised by staff on a set shift schedule. licensed by the Department of Developmental Services. CLA's are operated by DDS public staff or private agencies. Supports are provided 24/7. Homes are varying in size and generally serve six or fewer individuals. The majority of homes receive reimbursement through the Medicaid Waiver Program. Individuals living in a CLA are required to pay a room and board rate as determined by the Department of Social Services. Individuals pay the room and board rate through their social security entitlements and may receive a supplemental check from DSS if their entitlements are less than the room and board rate.
- 2. Transitional Housing** - Transitional Housing is a CLA in which individuals share a home in the community and are supervised by staff on a set shift schedule. The intent of transitional housing is to prepare the individual to move into their own apartment over a period of time as identified in their individual plan. The design of the house is flexible to allow individuals to move from congregate living to an apartment style setting over a period of time. The individual starts with 24/7 supports typical in a CLA home. As the individual increases their independence, the supports will shift to more intermittent supports.
- 3. Continuous Residential Supports (CRS)**- A CRS is a shared living arrangement for three or fewer DDS individuals. It is not a DDS licensed setting but can provide 24-hour staff support.

The requirements for this type of setting are:

- The individuals wish to live together
- The individuals have adequate funding to create and sustain this type of living arrangement
- The individuals have the funding to hire sufficient ongoing support staff and clinical supports
- These homes must be reviewed by DDS prior to occupancy to ensure that certain standards are met.

- 4. Community Companion Home (CCH)**- A CCH is a private family home licensed by DDS, to provide a residence and necessary support services to three or fewer individuals with intellectual disability. A CCH provides a nurturing home environment where individuals can share responsibilities, develop relationships, be independent and make their own choices.
  - The CCH licensee will provide assistance with daily living skills necessary to enable your loved one to live in the community and be as independent as possible.
  - In order for a person to become a licensed CCH provider, he or she must undergo the licensure process outlined in regulations, which includes but is not limited to submitting references; authorizing a conviction record check for themselves and other occupants of the home; and participating in a home study process. His or her home must also be evaluated for fire safety. Once the person is licensed, he or she will be trained in a variety of health and safety areas, DDS policies and procedures including abuse/neglect, incident reporting, individual's rights and confidentiality and the prevention of sexual abuse. A licensee also receives training in the specific needs and supports of any individual placed in the CCH.
  - All information related to the CCH is updated annually, and all CCHs undergo an annual licensing inspection, under regulations, by the DDS Central Office Quality Management Unit.
- 5. In-Home Supports (IHS)** This service is an individualized tailored plan of intermittent staffing supports that are provided in the individual's or family's home in the community. An agency may provide this service or the individual may privately hire someone to provide it.
  - IHS provides assistance in basic skills such as banking, budgeting and shopping and is designed to allow a person to continue to live in their family home or live in their own home.
  - Typical use of this service is 5-20 hours a week. Increased hours can be provided based on a Level of Need and Individual Plan. This service provides intermittent support and is less than 24 hour a day support.

- Cluster IHS support is an option under the IHS continuum. Cluster HIS offers participants access to shared awake staff who would be available to provide direct support during the hours of 11:00 pm – 7:00 am time period. Individuals receiving clustered supports live in their own homes and the clustered setting consists of more than one (1) separate dwelling within one half (1/2) mile from the overnight, awake staff.
6. **Supportive Housing-** Independent community-based living in an individual's own apartment or residence. The residence is paid by the individual directly. If the individual is eligible, DDS may assist with providing wrap-around supports such as In-Home Supports or rental vouchers.
  7. **Remote Supports-** Remote Supports is the delivery of supports at a remote location through virtual means by paid staff or natural supports who are engaged with the individual through technology/devices with the capability for live two-way communication.
    - Remote supports include a service component and a technology component.
    - Equipment used to meet this requirement must include one or more of the following systems: motion sensing system, radio frequency identification, live video feed, live audio feed, GPS tracking, web-based oversight system, or a device that otherwise meets the requirement for two-way communication.
    - Individual interaction with the person providing virtual support may be scheduled, on demand, or in response to an alert from a device in the Remote Support Technology System
    - The intent of Remote Supports is to provide individuals served by DDS a technology-based resource to improve functional capability while promoting independence and maintaining health and safety.
  8. **Shared Living-** Shared Living is a residential setting that is created based on the needs of the individual with assistance from family, friends, and/or other key team members. The design is based on the person's preferences, dreams, and desires to live in the community. The shared living model supports no more than two people in the home. **One person (life sharer)** shares the home with the individuals. If the home provides adequate space, family members of the life sharer may also receive approval to live in their home. The person(s) and his or her family, paid staff, and natural supports, share responsibility for the upkeep and management of the home, and for the supports the person receives.
  9. **Self-Determination-** Self-determination is an approach to service delivery that supports people with disabilities to live the lives they desire. Self-determination helps people, their families and friends determine their future, design their own support plans, choose the assistance they need to live full lives and control a personal budget for their supports. Individuals may use their individual budgets to hire their own staff, to purchase supports from a traditional agency or from an Agency With Choice or may select a combination of these approaches.