

PROGRAM POLICY - SUPPORTED/INDEPENDENT/TRANSITIONAL LIVING

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1 General Admission

- 1.1 Individuals admitted to OPTIONS Supported Living/Independent Living or Transitional Living Services must meet general admission criteria.
- 1.2 Admission, treatment or discharge of clients will not be made on the basis of race, color, creed, sex, marital status, sexual orientation, age, religion, ancestry or national origin.

2 Admission Criteria

- 2.1 Both the general admission criteria and the following must be met:
 - 2.1.1 Candidates must be eighteen years of age or older.
 - 2.1.2 Candidates must be able to be left unsupervised if living in the community without 24 hour care unless an exception is made by the Regional Center.
 - 2.1.3 Candidates must sign and abide by their landlord's rental agreement.
 - 2.1.4 Candidates must refrain from illicit drug use.
 - 2.1.5 Candidates will be able to provide their own personal belongings and furnishings.
 - 2.1.6 There must be an identified funding source for services provided by OPTIONS.

3 Conditions for Discharge

- 3.1 Persons may be discharged from OPTIONS' Supported/Independent or Transitional Living Services under the following conditions:
 - 3.1.1 The person has made sufficient progress to no longer require the services of Supported/Independent or Transitional Living Services.
 - 3.1.2 The person will not cooperate with Community Support staff and a satisfactory resolution can not be found.
 - 3.1.3 The person has been discontinued from his/her funding source.
 - 3.1.4 The person is unable to pay his/her rent.

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- 3.1.5 The person represents a danger to himself/herself or others.
- 3.1.6 The person requires a higher level of behavioral or medical support than can safely be provided in the current environment.

4 Change of Living Arrangement

- 4.1 A person can request a change in his/her living arrangement at any time for any reason.
 - 4.1.1 OPTIONS will make every effort to meet the request as quickly as possible but may be limited by the fiscal resources of the person served as well as the resources available in the community.
 - 4.1.2 When a request for a change is made, the person's Regional Center Service Coordinator will be advised of the request and an IDT may be held to review the available options available.
- 4.2 Some requests for changes in living arrangements may include, but are not limited to, the following reasons:
 - 4.2.1 Desire for a new roommate(s)
 - 4.2.2 Desire to work with different staff
 - 4.2.3 Desire for an alternative residence

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