

Presentation to Global Waiver Task Force



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Shared Living

Definition:

- Personal care
- Homemaker
- Chore Services
- Attendant care
- And related services provided in a private home by a care provider who lives in the home.

Shared Living

Also known as:

- Supportive Living
- Supportive Living Arrangements
- Adult Foster Care
- Adult Family Care

Shared Living

Goal:

- Provide a cost-effective alternative to institutional care in a home-like setting

Shared Living

Currently
offered to MR/DD
population in Rhode Island

Shared Living

- 30 plus states offer shared living, using certification or licensure.

- Available in:
 - Massachusetts
 - New Hampshire
 - Vermont

Shared Living

Who would be eligible?

- ❑ Medicaid-eligible elderly or adult disabled
- ❑ Unable to live independently
- ❑ Meet “high” or “highest” level of care under Global Waiver

Shared Living

- DHS will selectively contract with one or more agencies that will be certified to provide shared living
- Agencies must meet all terms and conditions in shared living bid specifications

Shared Living

Agency Responsibilities:

- ❑ Recruit host homes/caregivers
- ❑ Train caregivers
- ❑ Match client with caregiver
- ❑ Ensure safety of host home
- ❑ Oversee and monitor services
- ❑ Provide RN services as needed
- ❑ Develop Shared Living Service & Safety Plan

Shared Living

- Shared Living Service & Safety Plan will be uniquely tailored to meet client's individual needs

Shared Living

- Issues to be considered in matching client & caregiver:
 - Geographic location
 - Pets
 - Children in home
 - Lifestyle preferences, schedules, etc.

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Caregiver Responsibilities:

- Meals
- Assistance with ADL's
- Transportation
- Socialization/Home-like environment
- On call 24/7

Shared Living

Estimated cost-
Approximately
\$30,000 per year

Shared Living

DHS will pay for
4 discrete services

Shared Living

- Agency Administration & Management
- Development of Shared Living Service & Safety Plan
- Respite for Caregiver
- Caregiver stipend

Proposed Adjustments to Daily Caregiver Stipend

- Pay higher rate for clients who meet “highest” level of care
 - Allows for “Aging in Place”
- Pay lower rate for days in which client participates in adult day care
 - Provides break for caregiver allowing him/her to be employed or pursue other interests

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Caregiver Stipend is
tax-free to Caregiver
when Care Recipient
lives in
Caregiver's Home

Shared Living

Room and Board
are not
paid
by Medicaid

Shared Living

- Room and Board typically paid from client's SSI or Social Security check
- Room and Board are taxable income for caregiver

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Proposed Start Date:

March 2010