

PROGRAM POLICY - SUPPORTED/TRANSITIONAL LIVING

- 1 The philosophy of OPTIONS Supported/Transitional Living Program is that all clients will:
 - 1.1 Maintain lifestyles and living situations comparable to those of individuals without disabilities.
 - 1.2 Have control over their home environments.
 - 1.3 Receive support services consistent with their changing needs and desires.
 - 1.4 Make informed choices about where they live and the services they receive.
 - 1.5 Receive appropriate services in natural settings.
 - 1.6 Be able to benefit from Supported/Transitional Living services, regardless of the nature or severity of their disabilities.

- 2 The objectives of OPTIONS Supported/Transitional Living Program will be to:
 - 2.1 Provide opportunities for clients to make their own choices and decisions regarding their everyday life.
 - 2.2 Provide opportunities for clients to participate in and contribute to community life through work, volunteer activities, and community associations.
 - 2.3 Integrate clients into community recreational , social, and cultural events and activities.
 - 2.4 Assist clients in building natural, informal support networks.
 - 2.5 Plan services with, rather than for, clients.
 - 2.6 Design service delivery from the clients' perspectives and emphasize person-centered services.

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