

Contracted Adult Developmental Homes

The Division of Developmental Disabilities contracts with Qualified Vendors that provide licensed Adult Developmental Homes (ADHs). An ADH is the private home of an individual who is licensed to provide direct care and supervision. These ADHs have services and supports to meet the physical and emotional needs of individuals on a 24-hour basis. Each ADH has a capacity of one, two or three people. The services provided in the ADH may include: personal care, habilitation, and transportation. Individuals in an ADH usually work or attend day programs in the community during the day.

State law requires individuals receiving income or benefits to contribute to the cost of their residential support. This is called residential billing. An individual is billed up to 70% of benefits to offset room and board expenses. The amount billed will not be more than the actual cost of room and board.

There are more than 1,000 licensed ADHs in Arizona.

The Department's Office of Licensing, Certification and Regulation (OLCR) licenses ADHs. Each ADH must meet the fire and safety requirements and:

- have safe and working systems (heating, cooling, electricity);
- be easy to enter and leave, clean, and sanitary;
- have proper storage for medication;
- comply with vehicle safety requirements; and
- be free of potential hazards and danger.

The OLCR inspects the homes at least every three years. The Qualified Vendor also conducts inspections every year. The OLCR also audits the Qualified Vendor every two years to check that training, fingerprinting, and other employee requirements are met.

The ADHs are checked four times a year. At least one of these visits is unannounced. The Qualified Vendor's licensing workers visit the homes monthly to provide support and oversight. Support Coordinators visit quarterly with members at their home to review and update their Planning Document.