

ASSISTED LIVING WEDNESDAYS

April 10, 2024

Hosted by the Division for Community Living



**Department of
Aging**

AGENDA

- Welcome
- Housekeeping
- Introductions
- Scope of meetings
- Today's topic: Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Setting requirements: community integration

WELCOME!

HOUSEKEEPING

- Audience is muted
 - You can unmute to ask a question
 - Raise your hand
 - Type in chat
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- Slides will be emailed to the provider associations

INTRODUCTIONS

- Kim DeDino, DCL Division Chief
- Sarah Jones, DCL Assistant Chief
- Meredith Finley, Assisted Living Waiver Manager
- Amy Rosenthal, Assisted Living Clinical Manager
- Alex Lapso, Legislative Liaison

SCOPE OF MEETINGS

- Review a specific topic
- Hear from your peers
- Ask questions
- Share best practices
- Inform policy

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How new assisted living applicants apply for Memory Care Services

Any assisted living applicant who is not already certified and wants to become certified to deliver both the basic assisted living service and memory care service should review the guidance found here.

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HCBS SETTINGS



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Overview of the Federal Requirements for Home and Community-Based Settings

Print this page and upload it with your HCBS Setting Requirement Form

On March 17, 2014, the Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services (CMS) issued its [final rule](#) regarding settings for home and community-based services (HCBS) offered through the Assisted Living Waiver and the PASSPORT Waiver. For those settings that are presumed to be



HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES (HCBS) SETTINGS: COMMUNITY INTEGRATION

- **Rule citation**
- **Review the rule language**
- **How providers demonstrate compliance**
- **Examples of best practices**

HCBS SETTINGS: COMMUNITY INTEGRATION

- **Rule citation:** [Ohio Administrative Code 5160-44-01](#)
- **Review the rule language:** Setting is integrated in and supports full access to the greater community including:
 1. Opportunities to seek employment and work/volunteer
 2. Engage in community life
 3. Control personal resources
 4. Receive services in the community to the same degree of access as individuals not receiving services through the waiver

HCBS SETTINGS: COMMUNITY INTEGRATION

1. Opportunities to seek employment and work/volunteer

- **How providers demonstrate compliance**

- Written statement or policy identifying **HOW** the setting supports those who wish to work/volunteer outside the setting.
- Setting posts work/volunteer opportunities on a community board.
- Settings cannot restrict a resident from working/volunteering and instead should support residents who express a desire to work/volunteer.

- **Examples of best practices**

- **Policy example:** ABC Assisted Living will support any resident who wishes to work/volunteer in the community by assisting with scheduling transportation (if needed), any resident who expresses an interest in working/volunteering will receive support from staff to research opportunities (online, newspaper, etc.), pack a meal or save a meal upon their return (if needed), prepare medications ahead of time (if needed), and staff will support in any way as identified by the resident.
- Resident drove themselves to volunteer at the library twice a week.

HCBS SETTINGS: COMMUNITY INTEGRATION

2. Engage in community life

- **How providers demonstrate compliance**
 - Settings cannot restrict a resident from engaging in community life and instead should support residents who wish to engage in community life.
 - Setting posts information about festivals, leagues, movies, or other events in the area on a community board.
- **Examples of best practices**
 - Residents come and go from the setting throughout the day to attend activities outside the setting (church, meals with family, theatre, gym, etc.).

HCBS SETTINGS: COMMUNITY INTEGRATION

3. Control personal resources

- **How providers demonstrate compliance**

- Written statement or policy allowing individuals to control personal resources.
- Resident rights [ORC 3721.13](#)

- **Examples of best practices**

- Setting assists with scheduling transportation to the bank.
- Setting posts business office hours for residents (applicable for residents who signed an agreement to have setting manage funds).

HCBS SETTINGS: COMMUNITY INTEGRATION

4. Receive services in the community to the same degree of access as individuals not receiving services through the waiver

- **How providers demonstrate compliance**

- Setting never restricts the ability for a resident to receive services in the community.

- **Examples of best practices**

- Residents schedule PT/OT appointments at an office across town and the setting assists with scheduling transportation.

NEXT MEETING

- May 8th, 2024
- Tentative topic: memory care service
- Remember meetings are held the second Wednesday of every month from 2:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.



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