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**411-049-0100 Purpose** (Adopted 7/1/2019)

(1) The purpose of the rules in OAR chapter 411, division 049, 050, 051, and 052 is to establish the minimum standards and procedures for Adult Foster Homes (AFH) that provide care and services for adults who are older or adults with physical disabilities in a homelike environment that is safe and secure.

(2) Adult foster homes:

(a) Provide necessary care and services that emphasize the resident's independence through a cooperative relationship between the resident (or court-appointed guardian) and the resident's care providers.

(b) Care and services are provided in a setting that protects and encourages resident dignity, choice, and decision-making while addressing the needs of the resident in a manner that supports and enables the residents to maximize their ability to function at the highest level of independence possible.

Stat. Auth.: [ORS 409.050](#), [410.070](#), [413.085](#), [443.001](#), [443.004](#), [443.725](#), [443.730](#), [443.735](#), [443.738](#), [443.742](#), [443.760](#), [443.767](#), [443.775](#), [443.790](#)

Stats. Implemented: [ORS 409.050](#), [410.070](#), [413.085](#), [443.001 - 443.004](#), [443.705 - 443.825](#), [443.875](#), [443.991](#)

**411-049-0102 Definitions** (Amended 09/25/2024)

Unless the context indicates otherwise, the following definitions apply to the rules in OAR chapter 411, division 049, 050, 051, and 052:

(1) "AAA" means an Area Agency on Aging, which is an established public agency within a planning and service area designated under Section 305 of the Older Americans Act that has responsibility for local administration of programs within the Department of Human Services.

(2) "Abuse" means "abuse" as defined in [OAR 411-020-0002](#) (Adult Protective Services).

(3) "Activities of Daily Living (ADL)" mean the personal, functional activities described in [OAR 411-015-0006](#) required by an individual for continued well-being, which are essential for health and safety. Activities include eating, dressing and grooming, bathing and personal hygiene, mobility, elimination, and cognition.

(4) "Administrator" means the person who is designated by the Licensee that is responsible for the daily operation and maintenance of the AFH.

(5) "Adult Day services" means care, assistance, and supervision of an individual who is older, as defined in these rules, who does not stay overnight.

(6) "Adult Foster Home (AFH)" means any family home or other facility where residential care is provided in a homelike environment for compensation to five or fewer adults who are not related to the licensee, administrator, resident manager, or floating resident manager, by blood, marriage, or adoption and who are 65 years of age or older or an adult with a physical disability. AFHs are home and community-based settings as defined in [OAR chapter 411, division 004](#). For the purpose of these rules:

(a) "Adult foster home" does not include any house, institution, hotel, or other similar living situation that supplies room or board only, if no resident thereof requires any element of care.

(b) "Facility" and "Home" are synonymous with the term "Adult Foster Home".

(7) "Advance Directive" or "Advance Directive for Health Care" means the legal document signed by a resident that provides health care instructions in the event the resident is no longer able to give directions regarding his or

her wishes. The directive gives the resident the means to control his or her own health care in any circumstance. "Advance Directive for Health Care" does not include Physician Orders for Life-Sustaining Treatment (POLST).

(8) "Applicant" means an individual, partnership, corporation, or other entity who completes an application to own or operate an AFH. An individual applicant may also complete an application to become an administrator, resident manager, floating resident manager, or shift caregiver. "Applicant" is synonymous with "Co-applicant".

(9) "Background Check" means a criminal records check and abuse check as defined in [OAR 407-007-0210](#). An approved "Background Check" means a final determination, made by an authorized agency or district that the subject individual is fit to:

- (a) Hold a position, paid or not paid;
- (b) Obtain or retain credentials;
- (c) Have direct access to; or
- (d) Otherwise provide services necessary for the health, welfare, maintenance or protection of an individual.

(10) "Background Check Rules" means the rules in [OAR 407-007-0200 to 407-007-0370](#).

(11) "Back-Up Provider Agreement" means an agreement between the licensee and another licensee, approved administrator, resident manager, or approved floating resident manager, who does not live in the home, and has agreed to oversee the operation of an AFH of the same license classification or higher in the event of an emergency. The Department's ([APD 0350](#)) form may be used in place of the succession plan. (See "Succession Plan").

(12) "Behavioral Interventions" mean those interventions that modify a resident's behavior or a resident's environment.

(13) "Board of Nursing Rules" means the standards and practice for licensed practical nurses and registered nurses to teach and delegate to

unlicensed persons according to the statutes and rules of the Oregon State Board of Nursing (OSBN) [ORS 678.010 to 678.445](#) and [OAR chapter 851, division 045 and 047](#).

(14) "Care" means the provision of assistance with activities of daily living to promote a resident's maximum independence and enhance the resident's quality of life. "Care" includes, but is not limited to, assistance with bathing, dressing, grooming, eating, money management, recreation, and medication management excluding assistance with self-medication.

(15) "Caregiver" means any person providing care and services to residents. (See "Qualified Caregiver").

(16) "Care Plan" means a licensee or administrator's written description of a resident's needs, preferences, and capabilities, including by whom, when, and how often care and services are to be provided.

(17) "CFR" or "Code of Federal Regulations" or means the codification of the rules and regulations published in the Federal Register and produced by the executive departments and agencies of the federal government of the United States.

(18) "Classification" means a designation of license assigned to a licensee based on the qualifications of the licensee, administrator, resident manager, floating resident manager, and shift caregivers, as applicable.

(19) "CMS" means the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

(20) "Compensation" means monetary or in-kind payments by or on behalf of a resident to a licensee in exchange for room, board, care, and services. "Compensation" does not include the voluntary sharing of expenses between or among roommates.

(21) "Complaint" means an allegation of abuse, a violation of these rules, or an expression of dissatisfaction relating to a resident or the condition of an AFH.

(22) "Condition" means a provision attached to a new or existing license that limits or restricts the scope of the license or imposes additional requirements on the licensee.

(23) "Consumer" means an individual eligible for Medicaid services for whom case management services are provided by the Department.

(24) "Delegation" means the process where a registered nurse teaches and supervises a nursing procedure to an unlicensed person. The OSBN defines an unlicensed person as any caregiver or certified nursing assistant (CNA). (See [OAR chapter 851, division 047](#)).

(25) "Department" means the Department of Human Services (DHS) unless otherwise specified.

(26) "Designated Representative" means:

(a) Any adult, such as a parent, family member, guardian, advocate, or other person who is:

(A) Chosen by the individual, or as applicable the legal representative;

(B) Not a paid provider for the individual; and

(C) Authorized by the individual, or as applicable the legal representative, to serve as the representative of the individual, or as applicable the legal representative, in connection with the provision of funded supports.

(b) The power to act as a designated representative is valid until the individual modifies the authorization or notifies the agency that the designated representative is no longer authorized to act on the individual's behalf.

(c) An individual, or as applicable the legal representative, is not required to appoint a designated representative.

(27) "Director" means the Director of the Department of Human Services or that person's designee.

(28) "Disability" means a physical, cognitive, or emotional impairment, which for an individual, constitutes or results in a functional limitation in one or more activities of daily living.

(29) "Emergency Preparedness Plan" means a written procedure that identifies a facility's response to an emergency or disaster for minimizing loss of life, mitigating trauma, and to the extent possible, maintaining services for residents, and preventing or reducing property loss.

(30) "Entity" means an individual, a trust or estate, a partnership, a corporation (including associations, joint stock companies, and insurance companies), a state, or a political subdivision or instrumentality, including a municipal corporation.

(31) "Exclusion Lists" mean the following federal lists that exclude listed individuals from receiving federal awards, not limited to Medicaid and Medicare programs:

(a) The U.S. Office of Inspector General's Exclusion List at [www.exclusions.oig.hhs.gov/](http://www.exclusions.oig.hhs.gov/); and

(b) The U.S. General Services Administration's System for Award Management Exclusion List at [www.sam.gov](http://www.sam.gov).

(32) "Exempt Area" means a county where there is a county agency that provides similar programs for licensing and inspection of AFHs that the Director finds are equal or superior to the requirements of [ORS 443.705 to 443.825](#) and that the Director has exempted from the license, inspection, and fee provisions of [ORS 443.705 to 443.825](#).

(33) "Family Member" means spouses in a legally recognized marriage or domestic partnership, natural parent, child, sibling, adopted child, adoptive parent, adoptive sibling, stepparent, stepchild, stepbrother, stepsister, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, grandparent, grandchild, aunt, uncle, niece, nephew, or first cousin.

(34) "Final Point of Safety" means a designated assembly area located on a public sidewalk or street not less than 50 feet away from an AFH where occupants of the home evacuate to in the event of an emergency.

(35) "Floating Resident Manager" means an employee of the licensee, approved by the LLA, who under the direction of the licensee, is directly responsible for the care of residents in one or more AFHs owned by that licensee. A "floating resident manager" is not required to live in any one AFH owned by his or her employer, except on a temporary basis, as directed by the licensee, when the regularly scheduled caregiver is unavailable.

(36) "Gender expression" means a person's gender-related appearance and behavior, whether or not these are stereotypically associated with the sex the person was assigned at birth.

(37) "Gender identity" means a person's internal, deeply held knowledge or sense of the person's gender, regardless of physical appearance, surgical history, genitalia, legal sex, sex assigned at birth or name and sex as it appears in medical records or as it is described by any other person, including a family member, conservator or legal representative of the person. A person's gender identity is the last gender identity conveyed by a person who lacks the present ability to communicate.

(38) "Gender nonconforming" means having a gender expression that does not conform to stereotypical expectations of one's gender.

(39) "Gender transition" means a process by which a person begins to live according to that person's gender identity rather than the sex the person was assigned at birth. The process may include changing the person's clothing, appearance, name or identification documents or undergoing medical treatments.

(40) "Harass" or "harassment" means to act in a manner that is unwanted, unwelcomed, or uninvited, or that demeans, threatens or offends a resident.

(a) This includes bullying, denigrating, or threatening a resident based on a resident's actual or perceived status as a member of one



of the protected classes in Oregon, as provided:

- (A) Race.
- (B) Color.
- (C) National origin.
- (D) Religion.
- (E) Disability.
- (F) Sex (includes pregnancy).
- (G) Sexual orientation.
- (H) Gender identity.
- (I) Age.
- (J) Marital status

(b) An example of “harassment” includes, but is not limited to, requiring a resident to show identity documents in order to gain entrance to a restroom or other area of a care facility that is available to other person of the same gender identity as the resident.

(41) "Home and Community-Based Services" or "HCBS" means Home and Community-Based Services as defined in [OAR chapter 411, division 004](#).

(42) "Home and Community-Based Settings" or "HCB Settings" means a physical location meeting the qualities of [OAR 411-004-0020](#) where an individual receives Home and Community-Based Services.

(43) "Homelike" means an environment that promotes the dignity, security, and comfort of residents through the provision of personalized care and services, and encourages independence, choice, and decision-making by the residents.

(44) "House Policies" or the "Home's Policies" means the written and posted statements addressing house activities in an AFH identified in the Residency Agreement.

(45) "Indirect Ownership Interest" means an ownership interest in an entity that has an ownership interest in the AFH.

(46) "Individual" means an adult who is at least 65 years of age or is an adult with physical disabilities who is receiving Home and Community-Based Services, including those receiving adult day services.

(47) "Individually-Based Limitation" or "Limitation" means any limitation to the qualities outlined in [OAR 411-004-0020\(1\)\(d\) and \(2\)\(d\) to \(2\)\(j\)](#) due to health and safety risks. An individually-based limitation is based on specific assessed need and only implemented with the informed consent of the resident or, as applicable, the legal representative of the resident, as described in [OAR 411-004-0040](#).

(48) "Informed Consent" means:

(a) Options, risks, and benefits have been explained to the individual and, as applicable the legal representative of the individual, in a manner that the individual, and as applicable, the representative, comprehends; and

(b) The individual or, as applicable, the legal representative of the individual, consents to a person-centered service plan of action, including any individually-based limitations to the rules, before implementation of the initial or updated person-centered service plan or any individually-based limitation.

(49) "Initial Point of Safety" means a designated area that has unobstructed direct access to a public sidewalk or street located not less than 25 feet away from an AFH where occupants of the home evacuate to in the event of an emergency and for the purpose of conducting evacuation drills.

(50) "Investigative Authority" means the Office of Adult Abuse Prevention and Investigation (OAAPI), local Department offices, and Area Agencies on Aging that contract with the Department to provide adult protective services

to adults who are older or adults with physical, mental, or developmental disabilities.

(51) "Legal Representative" means a person who has the legal authority to act for an individual. The legal representative only has authority to act within the scope and limits of their authority as designated by the court or other agreement.

(a) Legal representatives acting outside of their authority or scope must meet the definition of designated representative.

(b) For an individual 18 years of age or older, a guardian appointed by a court order or an agent legally designated as the health care representative, where the court order or the written designation provide authority for the appointed or designated person to make the decisions indicated where the term "legal representative" is used in this rule.

(52) "Level" means the designation of ventilator-assisted care assigned to an AFH license based on the qualifications of the licensee, administrator, resident manager, floating resident manager, and shift caregivers, as applicable.

(53) "LGBTQIA2S+" means lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, intersex, asexual, Two Spirit, nonbinary or other minority gender identity or sexual orientation. These terms are defined below:

(a) "Lesbian" means the sexual orientation of a person who is female, feminine or nonbinary and who is physically, romantically or emotionally attracted to other women. Some lesbians may prefer to identify as gay, a gay woman, queer or in other ways.

(b) "Gay" means the sexual orientation of a person attracted to people of the same gender. Although often used as an umbrella term, it is used more specifically to describe men attracted to men.

(c) "Bisexual" means a person who has the potential to be physically, romantically and/or emotionally attracted to people of more than one

gender, not necessarily at the same time, in the same way or to the same degree.

(d) “Transgender” means having a gender identity or gender expression that differs from the sex one was assigned at birth, regardless of whether one has undergone or is in the process of undergoing gender-affirming care. Being transgender does not imply any specific sexual orientation. Therefore, transgender people may identify as straight, gay, lesbian, bisexual, etc.

(e) “Queer” means people who do not identify as exclusively straight or a person who has non-binary or gender-expansive identities and is often used as a catch-all to refer to the LGBTQIA2S+ population as a whole. This term was previously used as a slur but has been reclaimed by many parts of the LGBTQIA2S+ movement. It can also include transgender people who identify as male or female. The term should only be used to refer to a specific person if that person self-identifies as queer.

(f) “Intersex” means someone born with a variety of differences in their sex traits and reproductive anatomy. Intersex traits greatly vary, including differences in, but not limited to, hormone production and reproductive anatomy.

(g) “Asexual” or “Ace” means a complete or partial lack of sexual attraction or lack of interest in sexual activity with others. Asexuality exists on a spectrum, and asexual people may experience no, little or conditional sexual attraction. Many people who are asexual still identify with a specific romantic orientation.

(h) “2S” or “Two-Spirit” means a term used within some Indigenous communities, encompassing cultural, spiritual, sexual and gender identity. The term reflects complex indigenous understandings of gender roles, spirituality, and the long history of sexual and gender diversity in Indigenous cultures. The definition and common use of the term two-spirit may vary among Tribes and Tribal communities.

(i) The “+” means all other identities and expressions of gender, romantic and sexual orientation, including minority gender identities.

(j) “Nonbinary” means a person who does not identify exclusively as a man or a woman. Nonbinary people may identify as being both a man and a woman, somewhere in between, or as falling completely outside these categories. While many also identify as transgender, not all nonbinary people do. Nonbinary can also be used as an umbrella term encompassing identities such as agender, bigender, genderqueer or gender-fluid.

(54) "Licensed Health Care Professional" means a person who possesses a professional medical license that is valid in Oregon. Examples include, but are not limited to, a registered nurse (RN), nurse practitioner (NP), licensed practical nurse (LPN), medical doctor (MD), osteopathic physician (DO), respiratory therapist (RT), physical therapist (PT), physician assistant (PA), or occupational therapist (OT).

(55) "Licensee" means the applicant to whom an AFH license has been issued. "Licensee" is synonymous with "Co-Licensee" in these rules.

(56) "Limited Adult Foster Home" means a home that provides care and services for compensation to a specific individual who is unrelated to the licensee, but with whom the licensee has an established relationship of no less than one year.

(57) "Liquid Resource" means cash or those assets that may readily be converted to cash, such as a life insurance policy that has a cash value, stock certificates, or a guaranteed line of credit from a financial institution.

(58) "Local Licensing Authority" or "LLA" means the local Department offices and Area Agencies on Aging that contract with the Department to perform specific functions of the AFH licensing process.

(59) "Management agreement" means a written, executed agreement between the licensee and another individual or entity regarding the provision of operational services on behalf of the licensee.

(60) "Nursing Care" means the practice of nursing by a licensed nurse, including tasks and functions relating to the provision of "nursing care" that are taught or delegated under specified conditions by a registered nurse to a person other than licensed nursing personnel, as governed by [ORS chapter 678](#) and rules adopted by the [OSBN in OAR chapter 851](#).

(61) "Occupant" means any person residing in or using the facilities of an AFH, including residents, licensees, resident manager, floating resident manager, friends or family members, adult day services individuals, and room and board tenants.

(62) "OHA" Means the Oregon Health Authority.

(63) "Older" means any person at least 65 years of age.

(64) "Ombudsman" means the Oregon Long-Term Care Ombudsman (LTCO) or a designee appointee that serves as an LTCO representative to investigate and resolve complaints on behalf of AFH residents.

(65) "Owner" is synonymous with "Licensee" as defined in this rule.

(66) "Ownership Interest" means the possession of equity in the capital, stock, or profits of an AFH.

(67) "Person" has the same meaning as set forth in [ORS 174.100\(6\)](#).

(68) "Person-Centered Service Plan" has the meaning given in [OAR chapter 411, division 004](#).

(a) FOR MEDICAID CONSUMERS. The person-centered service plan coordinator completes the person-centered service plan.

(b) FOR NON-MEDICAID CONSUMERS. The person-centered service plan may be completed by the resident, and as applicable, the representative of the resident, and others as chosen by the resident. The licensee may assist non-Medicaid residents in developing person-centered service plans when no alternative resources are available. The elements of the resident's person-centered service plan may be incorporated into the resident's care plan.

(69) "Person-Centered Service Plan Coordinator" means case managers, services coordinators, personal agents, and other people designated by DHS or OHA to provide case management services or person-centered service planning for and with individuals.

(70) "Prescribing Practitioner" means a physician, nurse practitioner, physician assistant, chiropractor, dentist, ophthalmologist, or other healthcare practitioner with prescribing authority.

(71) "Primary Caregiver" means one or any combination of a licensee, administrator, resident manager, or shift caregivers who personally provide care and services, and safeguards the health and safety of residents a minimum of five 24-hour days per week.

(72) "Primary Care Provider" means a physician, physician's assistant or nurse practitioner that provides regular and continuous health care services.

(73) "PRN" is a Latin term (pro re nata), means "as needed." It describes medications and treatments that have been ordered by a prescribing practitioner to be administered as needed when the resident exhibits or expresses signs or symptoms related to the reason the medication was ordered.

(74) "Provisional License" means a 60-day license issued in an emergent situation when a licensee is no longer overseeing the operation of an AFH. A provisional license is issued to a qualified person who meets the standards of [OAR 411-049-0125](#) and [OAR 411-049-0105\(9\)](#) except for completing the training and testing requirements. (See [OAR 411-049-0105\(14\)\(b\)](#)).

(75) "Psychotropic Medication" means any drug that affects the brain activities associated with mental processes and behavior. These drugs include, but are not limited to, drugs in the following categories:

(a) Anti-psychotic.

(b) Anti-depressant.

(c) Anti-anxiety (Anxiolytic).

(d) Hypnotic.

(76) "Qualified Caregiver" means an individual who has fully satisfied and maintained the requirements to be a licensee, administrator, resident manager, floating resident manager, shift caregiver or substitute caregiver. (See "Caregiver").

(77) "QED" means qualified entity designee as defined in [OAR 407-007-0210](#). A QED may be a licensee who is approved by the Department's Background Check Unit to handle background checks on behalf of the LLA.

(78) "Relative" means those persons identified as family members as defined in this rule.

(79) "Representative" means "Designated Representative" and "Legal Representative" as defined in these rules, unless otherwise stated.

(80) "Reside" means for a person to live in an AFH for a permanent or extended period of time. For the purpose of a background check, a person is considered to "reside" in a home if the person's visit is four weeks or greater.

(81) "Residency Agreement" or "Agreement" means the written and legally enforceable agreement between an AFH licensee and an individual receiving Home and Community Based Services (HCBS), or representative of the individual, in a licensee owned, controlled, or operated setting. The Residency Agreement identifies the policies of the home, services to be provided, and the rights and responsibilities of the individual, and the licensee. The Residency Agreement provides the individual protection from eviction substantially equivalent to landlord-tenant laws.

(82) "Resident" means an adult who is at least 65 years of age, or an adult with a physical disability who is receiving room and board and care and services in an AFH on a 24-hour day basis in exchange for compensation.

(83) "Resident Manager" means an employee of the licensee, approved by the LLA, who lives in the AFH, and is directly responsible for the care of the residents. Resident Manager is not synonymous with administrator.



(84) "Resident Rights" or "Rights" means civil, legal, or human rights, including, but not limited to, those rights listed in the Adult Foster Home Resident's Bill of Rights and HCBS freedoms. (See [ORS 443.739](#) and [OAR 411-051-0105](#)).

(85) "Residential Care" means the provision of care on a 24-hour day basis.

(86) "Restraint" means restraint as defined in [OAR 411-004-0010\(19\)](#):

(a) Physical restraints are any manual method, or physical or mechanical device, material, or equipment attached to or adjacent to the resident's body that the resident cannot remove easily, which restricts freedom of movement or normal access of the resident to the resident's body. Any manual method includes physically restraining a person by manually holding the person in place.

(b) Chemical restraints are any substance or drug used for discipline or convenience that has the effect of restricting the individual's freedom of movement or behavior and is not used to treat the resident's medical or psychiatric condition.

(87) "Room and Board" means receiving compensation for the provision of meals, a place to sleep, laundry, and housekeeping to adults who are older or adults with physical disabilities and who do not need assistance with activities of daily living. Room and board facilities for two or more persons are required to register with the Department under the rules in [OAR chapter 411, division 068](#), unless registered with the local authority having jurisdiction. AFHs with room and board tenants are not subject to [OAR chapter 411, division 068](#).

(88) "Safety, Oversight and Quality Unit" or "SOQ" is a program within the Department's Aging and People with Disabilities office.

(89) "Screening" means the evaluation process used to identify an individual's ability to perform activities of daily living and address health and safety concerns.

(90) "Self-Administration of Medication" means the resident identifies the medication, the time and manner of administration, and places the medication internally or externally on his or her own body without assistance.

(91) "Self-Preservation" means the ability of a resident to respond to an alarm or emergent situation without additional cues and reach a point of safety without assistance.

(92) "Services" mean activities that help the residents develop skills to increase or maintain the resident's level of functioning or assist the residents to perform personal care, activities of daily living, or individual social activities.

(93) "Sexual orientation" means romantic or sexual attraction, or a lack of romantic or sexual attraction, to other people.

(94) "Shift Caregivers" mean caregivers who are responsible for providing care for regularly scheduled periods of time, including, but not limited to, 8 or 12 hours per day or night, in homes where there is no licensee or resident manager living in the home.

(95) "Subject Individual" has the meaning as given in [OAR 407-007-0210](#), and means any person 16 years of age or older, including:

(a) All licensed AFH licensees and license applicants;

(b) All persons intending to work in, or currently working in an AFH, including, but not limited to, caregivers, including trainees, and licensed healthcare workers when employed by or contracted with the licensee or facility;

(c) Volunteers on the home's premises who provide services for, or who have access to, any resident, or any resident's funds, belongings, or confidential information; and

(d) Occupants, excluding residents, residing in or on the premises of a proposed or currently licensed AFH, including:

(A) Household members;

(B) Room and board tenants; and

(C) Persons staying in the home for a period of four weeks or more.

(e) "Subject Individual" does not apply to:

(A) Persons under 16 years of age.

(B) Residents of the AFH or the resident's visitors.

(C) Persons who live or work in or on the AFH premises who do not have:

(i) Regular access to the home for meals;

(ii) Regular use of the AFH's appliances or facilities; or

(iii) Unsupervised access to the residents or the residents' personal property.

(D) A person providing services to the residents who is employed by a private business not regulated by the Department.

(96) "Substantial Compliance" means a level of compliance with these rules where any deficiencies pose no greater risk to resident health or safety than the potential for causing minor harm.

(97) "Substitute Caregiver" means any person other than the licensee, resident manager, floating resident manager, or shift caregiver who provides care and services in an AFH under the jurisdiction of the Department.

(98) "Succession Plan" means the licensee or administrator's written plan addressing coverage, continuance of care and services for residents, and AFH operations should the licensee or administrator be unable to fulfill their duties due to illness, death, or other unexpected absence. The

Department's Back-up Provider Agreement form ([APD 0350](#)) may be used for this purpose. (See "Back-up Provider Agreement").

(99) "Tenant" means any individual who is residing in an AFH who receives services, such as meal preparation, laundry, and housekeeping.

(100) "Tenancy Agreement" means a written and legally enforceable agreement between an AFH licensee and an adult who is older or an adult with physical disabilities who resides in the home and does not require assistance with any activity of daily living. The agreement specifies the terms and conditions of a room and board residency in the home.

(101) "These Rules" mean the rules in OAR chapter 411, division 49, 50, 51, and 52.

(102) "Transgender" means having a gender identity or gender expression that differs from the sex one was assigned at birth, regardless of whether one has undergone or is in the process of undergoing gender-affirming care. Being transgender does not imply any specific sexual orientation. Therefore, transgender people may identify as straight, gay, lesbian, bisexual, etc.

(103) "Variance" means an exception from a regulation or provision of these rules in accordance with [OAR 411-049-0160](#).

(104) "Ventilator-Assisted Care" means the provision of mechanical assistance to replace spontaneous breathing. Devices used include, but are not limited to, mechanical ventilators, manual ventilators, and positive airway pressure ventilators.

(105) "Violation" means an area of non-compliance with these rules. "Violation" is synonymous with "Deficiency".

Stat. Auth.: [ORS 409.050](#), [410.070](#), [413.085](#), [441.122](#), [443.001](#), [443.004](#), [443.725](#), [443.730](#), [443.735](#), [443.738](#), [443.742](#), [443.760](#), [443.767](#), [443.775](#), [443.790](#)

Stats. Implemented: [ORS 106.010](#), [409.050](#), [410.070](#), [413.085](#), [441.111](#), [443.001 - 443.004](#), [443.705 - 443.825](#), [443.875](#), [443.991](#)

## **411-049-0105 License (Amended 01/01/2022)**

(1) **REQUIRED.** Any facility that meets the definition of an AFH or limited AFH in [OAR 411-049-0102](#) must apply for and obtain a license from the LLA before providing care to any resident for compensation.

(2) A person or entity may not represent themselves as operating an AFH or accept placement of a resident without being licensed as an AFH.

(3) **DURATION.** A license is valid for one year unless revoked or suspended by the Department.

(4) When the Department reviews a license and determines that the convenience of both the licensee and the Department will be served, a license period may be changed to match the renewal schedule of another license held by the same licensee. The request for a schedule change may be made by either the Department or the licensee. No license period may extend beyond one year.

(5) **NON-TRANSFERABLE LICENSE AND SALE, LEASE OR CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP REQUIREMENTS.** A change of ownership of an AFH requires both a new license application and a new license.

(a) A license is not transferable and does not apply to any location or person other than the location and person indicated on the license obtained from the LLA.

(b) The licensee must inform real estate agents, prospective buyers, lessees, and transferees in all written communication, including advertising and disclosure statements, that the license to operate the AFH is not transferable and the licensee must refer them to the LLA for information about licensing.

(c) When a home is to be sold or otherwise transferred or conveyed to another person who intends to operate the home as an AFH, that person must apply for and obtain a license from the LLA before the transfer of operation of the home.

(d) Prior to operation the new owner:

(A) Must have an approved license from the Department before transfer of ownership.

(B) Must not begin operation of the AFH until the Department has issued the license.

(C) Must conduct pre-admission screenings according to [OAR 411-051-0110\(1\)\(a\)\(A\) - \(C\)](#) for residents wishing to remain in the AFH.

(e) NOTICE OF CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP.

(A) The licensee must promptly notify the LLA in writing about the licensee's intent to close or convey the AFH to another person. The licensee must provide written notice to the residents and the residents' representatives and case managers, as applicable, according to [OAR 411-050-0760\(3\)\(e\)](#).

(B) The licensee must inform a person intending to assume operation of an existing AFH that the residents currently residing in the home must be given at least 30 calendar days' written notice of the licensee's intent to close the AFH to convey the home to another person.

(C) The licensee must include the following information in the written notice:

(i) Names of the present owner and prospective owner.

(ii) Name and address of the AFH for which the ownership is being changed.

(iii) Date of proposed change.

(iv) Any change in the house policies or operations that could impact a resident's ability to continue to live in the home.

(v) The licensee must remain licensed and responsible for the operation of the home and care of the residents in accordance with these rules until the home is closed and the residents have been relocated, or the home is conveyed to a new licensee who is licensed by the LLA at a level appropriate to the care needs of the residents in the home.

(f) **PRIORITY PROCESSING.** To prevent disruption to residents, current licensees may request in writing that the Department give priority processing to an applicant seeking to be licensed as the new licensee for the AFH.

(6) **CAPACITY.** Notwithstanding limited AFHs, residents must be limited to no more than five adults who require care and are unrelated to the licensee and resident manager by blood, marriage, or adoption.

(a) The number of residents permitted to reside in an AFH is determined by the ability of the staff to meet the care needs of the residents, the fire and life safety standards for evacuation, and compliance with the facility standards of these rules.

(b) The licensee must demonstrate, to the LLA's satisfaction, the ability to meet the needs of the residents, in addition to, caring for any children or others beyond the license capacity of the AFH.

(c) The LLA's determination of maximum capacity must ensure:

(A) The ratio of at least one caregiver per five residents, including any adult day services individuals and others requiring care or supervision except as allowed under subsection (d) of this rule section.

(B) Children over the age of five have a bedroom available that is separate from the child's parents.

(C) The well-being of the household, including any children or other family members, shall not be jeopardized.

(d) When a family member who is not a consumer requires care in a home, and when the licensee is the primary live-in caregiver, a maximum capacity of five unrelated residents are allowed if the following criteria are met:

(A) The licensee must be able to demonstrate the ability to evacuate all occupants from the AFH as specified in these rules (See [OAR 411-050-0725\(3\)](#)).

(B) The licensee must have sufficient, qualified staff and demonstrate the ability to provide appropriate care for all residents (See [OAR 411-050-0730](#)).

(C) There must be an additional 40 square feet of common living space for each person above the five residents as specified in these rules (See [OAR 411-050-0715](#)).

(D) Bathrooms and bedrooms must meet the requirements of [OAR 411-050-0715](#).

(E) The care needs of adult day services individuals must be within the classification of the license and any conditions imposed on the license.

(F) The well-being of the household, including any children or other family members, shall not be jeopardized.

(e) When a licensee's family member is a Medicaid consumer, the family member may remain in the home as one of the residents within the home's licensed capacity. Resident records must be maintained for the family member according to [OAR 411-050-0750](#).

(7) CHANGE IN CAPACITY. To request a change to the maximum capacity of a licensed home at any time other than the license renewal period, the licensee shall submit to the LLA a written request using the Department's form, DHS 0749, to amend the licensee's previous application for a license.

(a) The complete request will include:



(A) All the required information and documentation, as applicable, to demonstrate the applicant meets the standards for the requested capacity according to these rules; and

(B) A \$20 non-refundable fee for each additional resident bed requested.

(b) Within 60 calendar days' receipt of the complete written request, the LLA must investigate the information provided and must:

(A) Approve the request and issue an amended license with the requested capacity; or

(B) Forward a request to deny the applicant's change in capacity to the Safety, Oversight, and Quality Unit, unless the applicant submits written notification to withdraw the requested change in capacity.

(i) If the request is denied, the Department shall provide the applicant with notice and an opportunity for a contested case hearing pursuant to [ORS 183](#). The notice shall state the reasons for the denial and shall be served personally upon the applicant or by certified or registered mail.

(ii) Any request for a contested case hearing must be submitted to the Department, in writing, by the applicant within 10 days of service.

(8) VENTILATOR-ASSISTED CARE. The Department may approve a licensee to care for residents requiring ventilator-assisted care. The licensee, administrator, resident manager, floating resident manager, or shift caregivers, as applicable, must meet the criteria for a Class 3 home according to section (9) of this rule, and comply with the additional requirements for AFHs serving residents requiring ventilator-assisted care outlined in [OAR 411-049-0155](#).

(9) CLASSIFICATION. The LLA shall issue a Class 1, Class 2, or Class 3 AFH license only if the qualifications of the applicant, administrator,

resident manager, floating resident manager, and shift caregivers, as applicable, fulfill the classification requirements of these rules.

(a) After receipt of the completed application materials, including the non-refundable fee, the LLA must investigate the information submitted, including any pertinent information received from outside sources.

(b) The LLA shall not issue a license if unsatisfactory references or a history of substantial non-compliance of the applicant within the last 24 months is verified.

(c) The LLA may issue a Class 1 license if the applicant, and other caregivers as applicable, complete the training requirements outlined in [OAR 411-049-0125](#).

(d) The LLA may issue a Class 2 license if the applicant, and other caregivers as applicable, complete the requirements outlined in [OAR 411-049-0125](#). In addition, these caregivers must each have the equivalent of two years of full-time experience providing direct care to adults who are older or adults with physical disabilities.

(e) The LLA may issue a Class 3 license if the applicant, and other caregivers as applicable, complete the training requirements outlined in [OAR 411-049-0125](#) and have a current license as a health care professional in Oregon or possess the following:

(A) Have the equivalent of three years of full-time experience providing direct care to adults who are older or adults with physical disabilities and who require full assistance in four or more activities of daily living.

(B) Have references satisfactory to the Department. The applicant must submit current contact information from at least two licensed health care professionals who have direct knowledge of the applicant's ability and experience as a caregiver; or

(C) A copy of the applicant's current license as a health care professional in Oregon, if applicable.

(10) CHANGE IN CLASSIFICATION. To request a change in the classification of a licensed home at any time other than the license renewal period, the licensee shall submit a written request to the LLA, using the Department's form [DHS 0748](#), and [DHS 0748A](#) as applicable, to amend the licensee's previous application for a license.

(a) The complete request includes all the required information and documentation, as applicable, to demonstrate the applicant meets the standards for the requested classification according to these rules.

(b) Within 60 calendar days' receipt of the complete written request, the LLA will investigate the information provided and shall:

(A) Approve the applicant's request and issue an amended license with the requested classification; or

(B) Forward a request to deny the applicant's request, to the Safety, Oversight, and Quality Unit, unless the applicant submits written notification to withdraw the requested change in classification.

(i) If the request is denied, the Department shall provide the applicant with notice and an opportunity for a contested case hearing pursuant to [ORS 183](#). The Notice shall state the reasons for the denial and shall be served personally upon the applicant or by certified or registered mail.

(ii) Any request for a contested case hearing must be submitted to the Department, in writing, by the applicant within 10 days of service.

(11) A licensee or administrator may only admit or continue to care for residents whose impairment levels are within the classification of the licensed home. A licensee with a:

(a) Class 1 license may only admit residents who require assistance in no more than four activities of daily living.

(b) Class 2 license may provide care for residents who require assistance in all activities of daily living, but require full assistance in no more than three activities of daily living.

(c) Class 3 license may provide care for residents who require full assistance in four or more activities of daily living, but only one resident who requires bed-care or full assistance with all activities of daily living, not including cognition or behavior.

(12) CLASSIFICATION VARIANCE. A licensee or administrator must request, in writing, a variance from the LLA if:

(a) A new resident wishes to be admitted whose impairment level exceeds the license classification.

(b) A current resident becomes more impaired, exceeding the license classification.

(c) There is more than one resident in the home who requires full bed-care or full assistance with all activities of daily living, not including cognition or behavior.

(13) The LLA may grant a variance that allows the resident to be admitted or remain in the AFH. The LLA must respond in writing within 30 calendar days after receipt of the licensee or administrator's written variance request. The licensee or administrator must prove the following criteria are met by clear and convincing evidence:

(a) It is the choice of the resident to reside in the home.

(b) The licensee or administrator can provide appropriate care and service to the resident in addition to meeting the care and service needs of the other residents.

(c) Additional staff is hired to meet the additional care requirements of all residents in the home as necessary.

(d) Outside resources are available and obtained to meet the resident's care needs.

(e) The variance shall not jeopardize the care, health, safety, or welfare of the residents.

(f) The licensee or administrator's ability to demonstrate how all occupants shall be safely evacuated in three minutes or less.

#### (14) LICENSE TYPES.

(a) LIMITED AFH. Any home that meets the definition of a limited AFH in [OAR 411-049-0102](#) must apply for and obtain a limited license from the LLA before providing care. The license for a limited AFH is limited to the care of a specific resident and the licensee must make no other admissions. The resident receiving care is named on the license.

(b) PROVISIONAL. Notwithstanding any other provision of this rule or [ORS 443.725 or 443.738](#), the LLA may issue a 60-day provisional license to a qualified person. A provisional license may be issued if the LLA determines it is in the best interests of the residents currently residing in the home, and any of the following exist:

(A) An emergent situation exists after receiving notification that a licensee is no longer overseeing the operation of an AFH.

(B) A new, qualified applicant has submitted an application and bed fee for a license to operate a currently licensed home. The applicant has demonstrated a good faith effort to submit a timely and complete application, but the application process cannot be completed before the expiration date of the current license. A person is considered qualified for a provisional license if he or she:

(i) Is at least 21 years of age.

(ii) Has the necessary experience working with adults who are older or adults with physical disabilities to potentially qualify for the license classification of the home.

(iii) Fully understands and has the ability to meet the residents' care needs.

(iv) Meets the requirements of a substitute caregiver as described in [OAR 411-049-0125\(9\)](#).

(15) DUAL LICENSES. A licensee subject to these rules may not have more than one license type at the same AFH. Examples of other license types may include, but are not limited to, child care, foster care for children, and a care facility for individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities or mental health needs.

(16) LICENSE CONTENTS. The license is completed in full and specifies the type of license granted.

Stat. Auth.: [ORS 409.050](#), [410.070](#), [413.085](#), [443.001](#), [443.004](#), [443.725](#), [443.730](#), [443.735](#), [443.738](#), [443.880](#)

Stats. Implemented: [ORS 197.660 - 197.670](#), [409.050](#), [410.070](#), [413.085](#), [441.373](#), [443.001 - 443.004](#), [443.705 - 443.825](#), [443.875](#), [443.991](#)

#### **411-049-0110 Adult Day Services (Adopted 7/1/2019)**

(1) An AFH licensee may request authorization to provide adult day services to a specific number of individuals. The licensee may not provide adult day services without first receiving written authorization from the LLA.

(2) The care needs of adult day services individuals must be within the classification of the license and any conditions imposed.

(3) A copy of the current house policies, as identified in the current Residency Agreement, and the current Resident's Bill of Rights and Freedoms, signed and dated by the resident or the resident's representative.

(4) The licensee or administrator must have arrangements for adult day services individuals to sleep in areas other than a resident's bed, a resident's room, or space designated as common use, in accordance with [OAR 411-050-0715](#).

(a) Adult day services individuals may use a cot or rollaway bed if bedroom space is available that meets the requirements of [OAR 411-50-0715\(9\)\(c\)](#).

(b) A resident's bed may not be used by an adult day services individual.

(5) Licensees that provide adult day services to individuals must remain in compliance with OAR 411-049-0105(6) in addition to the other requirements in these rules including, but not limited to, facility standards addressing:

(a) Common use areas, [OAR 411-050-0715\(7\)](#).

(b) Bathrooms, [OAR 411-050-0715\(8\)](#).

(c) Evacuations, [OAR 411-050-0725](#).

(6) Before the admission of each adult day services individual, the licensee or administrator must:

(a) Conduct and document a screening as described in [OAR 411-051-0110](#).

(b) Obtain current medical professional orders as described in [OAR 411-051-0130\(2\)](#), if medications are to be administered and the necessary delegations, as applicable.

(c) Develop and maintain a current, written medication administration record (MAR) as described in [OAR 411-051-0130\(6\)](#), if medications are to be administered.

Stat. Auth.: [ORS 409.050](#), [410.070](#), [413.085](#), [443.001](#), [443.004](#), [443.725](#), [443.730](#), [443.735](#), [443.738](#), [443.742](#), [443.760](#), [443.767](#), [443.775](#), [443.790](#)  
Stats. Implemented: [ORS 409.050](#), [410.070](#), [413.085](#), [443.001 - 443.004](#), [443.705 - 443.825](#), [443.875](#), [443.991](#)

#### **411-049-0115 Room and Board** (Adopted 7/1/2019)

(1) Licensee may request authorization to provide room and board services to a specific number of tenants according to these rules prior to admission. If room and board tenants are in the home, the licensee must ensure each tenant has:

(a) An approved background check in accordance with [OAR 411-049-0120](#).

(b) A tenancy agreement.

(c) A copy of the current tenancy agreement signed and dated by the tenant.

(d) A resident may choose to have a room and board tenant, such as the resident's spouse, as a roommate if the bedroom is approved for shared occupancy. In addition:

(A) Verification of sufficient square footage and written authorization from the LLA is required in advance of the tenant's admission.

(B) If the tenant placement would take an approved resident's bed, the licensee must also submit a request to change the home's license capacity according to [OAR 411-049-0105\(6\)](#).

(2) AFH licensees that provide room and board services to individuals must remain in compliance with [OAR 411-050-0715](#) in addition to the other requirements in these rules including, but not limited to:

(a) Common use areas, [OAR 411-050-0715\(7\)](#).

(b) Bathrooms, [OAR 411-050-0715\(8\)](#).

(c) Bedrooms, [OAR 411-050-0715\(9\)](#).

(d) Evacuations, [OAR 411-050-0725](#).

Stat. Auth.: [ORS 409.050](#), [410.070](#), [413.085](#), [443.001](#), [443.004](#), [443.725](#), [443.730](#), [443.735](#), [443.738](#), [443.742](#), [443.760](#), [443.767](#), [443.775](#), [443.790](#)  
Stats. Implemented: [ORS 409.050](#), [410.070](#), [413.085](#), [443.001 - 443.004](#), [443.705 - 443.825](#), [443.875](#), [443.991](#)

**411-049-0120 Background Check** (Adopted 7/1/2019)



(1) All subject individuals (SI) must have an approved background check, which for non-licensees or non-licensee applicants, may include an approved preliminary fitness determination, prior to operating, working in, training in, or living in an AFH.

(a) Licensees must maintain documentation of preliminary and final fitness determinations with the home's facility records in accordance with these rules and the background check rules.

(b) Verification may include printed or electronic documentation, which must be readily accessible upon request.

(2) The background check may not to be used as a screening tool for hiring. New employees may be offered a position contingent upon passing the background check.

(3) A new background check must be completed:

(a) Every two years.

(b) Prior to any subject individual's change in employment position.

(c) If the Department has reason to believe a new background check is needed.

(4) If the SI is approved and in good standing on the Background Check Unit's registry pursuant to [OAR 407-007-0600 to 407-007-0640](#), two-year renewals and changes in position may be handled through the registry.

(5) An SI may be hired on a preliminary basis following completion of a preliminary fitness determination according to the background check rules. An SI who is hired on a preliminary basis shall be actively supervised at all times they are on duty by a qualified caregiver who has been approved without restrictions. Active supervision means a qualified caregiver must:

(a) Be within line-of-sight and within hearing of the SI both in and on the AFH premises.

(b) Know where the SI is and what the SI is doing.

(6) PORTABILITY OF BACKGROUND CHECK APPROVAL. A subject individual may be approved to work in multiple homes in Oregon only when the subject individual is working in the same employment position.

(7) On or after July 28, 2009, no licensee, licensee applicant, or employee of the licensee who has been convicted of any of the disqualifying crimes listed in [OAR 407-007-0275](#) shall be approved by the Department to provide care and services in an AFH. This rule does not apply to:

(a) An employee of the licensee who was hired prior to July 28, 2009, who continues employment in the same position with the same licensee; or

(b) Any subject individual who is an occupant of the home, but is neither a licensee nor a caregiver.

(8) All subject individuals must self-report to the licensee any:

(a) Potentially disqualifying condition listed in [OAR 125-007-0270](#).

(b) Disqualifying condition as described in [OAR 407-007-0275](#).

(c) Potentially disqualifying condition as described in [OAR 407-007-0279](#) and [OAR 407-007-0290](#).

(d) The licensee must notify the Department or LLA within 24 hours if any subject individual has a disqualifying or potentially disqualifying condition.

(9) The Department must provide for the expedited completion of a background check for the state of Oregon when requested by a licensee or administrator because of a demonstrated immediate staffing need. When a background check requires fingerprints or a weigh test, an expedited check may not be conducted until all required information is submitted, according to the background check rules.

(10) If a licensee's background check is denied by the Department, the licensee may continue to operate and work in the home pending potential appeal and a final order, except as stated in (11) of this rule.

(11) The Department may take immediate action if there is reason to believe any resident's health, safety, or welfare is at risk. Such action may include, but is not limited to, conditions on the license or suspension of the license. If the final order upholds the Department's decision to deny the background check, the Department shall pursue the denial, revocation, non-renewal, or suspension of the AFH license.

Stat. Auth.: [ORS 181A.200](#), [409.050](#), [410.070](#), [413.085](#), [443.001](#), [443.004](#), [443.735](#), [443.767](#), [443.775](#), [443.790](#)

Stats. Implemented: [ORS 181A.200](#), [409.050](#), [410.070](#), [413.085](#), [443.001](#) - [443.004](#), [443.705](#) - [443.825](#), [443.875](#), [443.991](#)

#### **411-049-0125 Caregiver Qualifications** (Amended 07/01/2024)

(1) LICENSEE AND ADMINISTRATOR QUALIFICATIONS. An AFH licensee or administrator must:

(a) Live in the home that is to be licensed at least five 24-hour days per week and function as the primary caregiver as defined in [OAR 411-049-0102](#) unless:

(A) There is, or shall be upon licensure, an approved resident manager who lives in the home and works five days and nights per week as the primary caregiver;

(B) There is, or shall be upon licensure, two approved primary caregivers who live in the home and work three and four days and nights per week respectively; or

(C) The home is staffed 24-hours a day at least five days a week with a combination of approved shift caregivers. (See [OAR 411-049-0125\(6\)](#)).

(b) Subsections (a)(A), through (a)(C) of this section are not intended to prohibit the occasional and temporary absence of the primary caregivers from the AFH.

(c) Be at least 21 years of age.

(d) Possess physical health, mental health, good judgment, and good personal character, including truthfulness, determined necessary by the Department to provide 24-hour care for adults who are older or adults with physical disabilities. An applicant and licensee must have a statement from a physician, nurse practitioner, or physician assistant indicating that the applicant or licensee is physically, cognitively, and emotionally capable of providing care to residents. An applicant or licensee with documented history or substantiated complaints of substance abuse or mental illness must provide evidence satisfactory to the Department of successful treatment, rehabilitation, or references regarding current condition.

(e) Have an approved background check in accordance with [OAR 411-049-0120](#) and maintain that approval as required.

(f) Be proficient in the English language and demonstrate the ability to comprehend and communicate in English orally and in writing with the residents and the residents' family members or representatives, emergency personnel (e.g., emergency operator, law enforcement, paramedics, and fire fighters), licensed health care professionals, case managers, DHS and LLA staff, and others involved in the care of the residents.

(g) Be able to respond appropriately to emergency situations at all times.

(h) Have a clear understanding of their responsibilities, knowledge of the residents' care plans, and the ability to provide the care specified for each resident; and not be listed on either of the Exclusion Lists.

(2) LICENSEE AND ADMINISTRATOR TRAINING REQUIREMENTS. For licensees designated as corporate entities, at least one administrator must meet the training requirements described in (2)(a) – (2)(g) of this rule in addition to obtaining a variance as outlined in [OAR 411-049-0160\(2\)\(c\)\(C\)](#).

(a) Licensees and administrators must have the education, experience, and training to meet the requirements of the requested classification of the home. (See [OAR 411-049-0125](#)).

(b) A potential applicant or applicant must complete the following training requirements prior to obtaining a license:

(A) Attend a DHS-approved orientation program conducted by the LLA responsible for the licensing of the proposed AFH.

(B) Attend the Department's Ensuring Quality Care Course and pass the examination to meet application requirements for licensure.

(i) Applicants who fail the first examination may take the examination a second time; however, successful completion of the examination must take place within 90 calendar days of the end of the Department's Ensuring Quality Care Course.

(ii) Potential applicants and applicants who fail a second examination must retake the Department's Ensuring Quality Care Course prior to repeating the examination.

(C) Comply with the Department's current Ensuring Quality Care Course student policies.

(D) Have and maintain current CPR and First Aid certification.

(i) Accepted CPR and First Aid courses must be provided by or meet the standards of the American Heart Association or the American Red Cross.

(ii) CPR or First Aid courses conducted online are only accepted by the Department when an in-person skills competency check is conducted by a qualified instructor meeting the standards of the American Heart Association, the American Red Cross.

(c) All caregivers must complete dementia training approved by the Department before providing direct care as mandated by [ORS 443.743](#). The training shall be based on current standards in dementia care, and shall include:

(A) Education on the dementia disease process, including the progression of the disease, memory loss, and psychiatric and behavioral symptoms.

(B) Techniques for understanding and managing behavioral symptoms, including, but not limited to reducing the use of psychotropic medications for nonstandard uses.

(C) Strategies for addressing the social needs of persons with dementia and providing them with meaningful activities.

(D) Specific aspects of dementia care and ensuring the safety of residents with dementia, including, but not limited to, how to:

(i) Address pain.

(ii) Provide food and fluids.

(iii) Prevent wandering and elopement.

(iv) Use a person-centered approach.

(d) Licensees, administrators, resident managers, floating resident managers, or shift caregivers must complete the required dementia training as mandated by [ORS 443.743](#).

(e) Licensees, administrators, resident managers, floating resident managers, shift caregivers, and substitute caregivers must complete the Department-approved LGBTQIA2S+ training as mandated by [ORS 441.111 to 441.122](#). The Department-approved training shall address the elements described in paragraph (11)(c) of this rule. The following dates apply to the initial LGBTQIA2S+ trainings:

(A) Effective December 31, 2024, all staff must have completed the required training. All new staff, hired on or after January 1, 2025, must complete the required training prior to beginning job responsibilities.

(B) The Department-approved LGBTQIA2S+ trainings shall address the elements described in paragraph (11) of this rule.

(f) HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES (HCBS) TRAINING. All caregivers, including licensees, administrators, resident managers, floating resident managers, shift caregivers or substitute caregivers are required to complete the Department-approved HCBS training, as provided below:

(A) Effective March 31, 2024, all caregivers must have completed the required training.

(B) All new caregivers, hired on or after April 1, 2024, must complete the required training prior to beginning job responsibilities.

(g) CAREGIVER ORIENTATION. Prior to providing care to any resident, all caregivers must be oriented to the home and to the residents by the licensee or other qualified primary caregiver. Orientation must be clearly documented in the facility records. Orientation includes, but is not limited to:

(A) Location of any fire extinguishers.

(B) Demonstration of evacuation procedures.

(C) Instruction of the emergency preparedness plan.

(D) Location of resident records.

(E) Location of telephone numbers for the residents' physicians, the licensee, and other emergency contacts.

(F) Location of medications and the key for the medication cabinet.

(G) Introduction to residents.

(H) Instructions for caring for each resident.

(I) How to administer medications properly.

(J) How to document on the resident's medication administration record and other resident records.

(K) Making arrangements with a registered nurse to delegate any nursing procedure that requires delegation prior to the caregiver performing that task.

(L) Understanding the home's policies and procedures related to Advance Directives. (See [OAR 411-050-0750](#)).

(3) FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS. A licensee applicant and licensee must have the financial ability and maintain sufficient liquid resources to pay the operating costs of the AFH for at least two months without solely relying on potential resident income.

(a) If an initial license applicant is unable to demonstrate the financial ability and resources required by this section, the Department may require the applicant to furnish a financial guarantee, such as a line of credit or guaranteed loan, to fulfill the requirements of this rule.

(b) If at any time there is reason to believe an applicant or licensee may not have sufficient financial resources to operate the home in compliance with these rules, the LLA may request additional documentation, which may include verification of the applicant's or licensee's ability to readily access the requested funds.

Circumstances that may prompt the request of additional financial information include, but are not limited to, reports of insufficient food, inadequate heat, or failure to pay employees, utilities, rent, or mortgage. Additional documentation of financial resources may include, but are not limited to:

(A) The Department's Verification of Financial Resources form ([APD 0448F](#)) completed and stamped or notarized by the applicant's or licensee's financial institutions.

(B) Documentation on letterhead of the applicant's or licensee's financial institutions that includes:



(i) The last four digits of the applicant's or licensee's account number;

(ii) The name of the account holder, and if the account is not in the applicant's or licensee's name, verification the applicant or licensee has access to the account's funds;

(iii) The highest, lowest, and current balance for each of the most recent three full months;

(iv) The line of credit balance available for each of the most recent three full months, if applicable;

(v) The number of any non-sufficient fund (NSF) payments in each of the last three full months, if any; and

(vi) The date and signature of the banking institution's representative completing the form.

(C) Demonstration of cash on hand equal to a minimum of two months of operating expenses.

(c) The LLA must request the least information necessary to verify compliance with this section.

(4) **RESIDENT MANAGER REQUIREMENTS.** A resident manager must live in the home as specified in section (1)(a)(A) of this rule and function as the primary caregiver under the licensee or administrator's supervision. A resident manager must meet and maintain the qualification and training requirements specified in sections (1)(c) through (2)(g) of this rule. The LLA shall verify all the requirements of these rules have been satisfied prior to approval of a resident manager.

(5) **FLOATING RESIDENT MANAGER REQUIREMENTS.**

(a) A floating resident manager must meet and maintain the qualification and training requirements specified in sections (1)(c) through (2)(g) of this rule, except as indicated in (5)(b) of this rule.

(b) If the licensee has one or more homes within the jurisdiction of more than one LLA, a currently approved floating resident manager is not required to complete the Department-approved orientation in more than one licensing authority's jurisdiction. This exception does not prohibit the LLA within an exempt area from requiring the floating resident manager applicant to attend the LLA's orientation.

(c) The floating resident manager must be oriented to each home prior to providing resident care in each home.

(d) Facility records in each of the homes a floating resident manager is assigned to work must maintain proof the floating resident manager has a current and approved background check.

(e) A floating resident manager may not be used in lieu of a shift caregiver, except on temporary basis, when the regular shift caregiver is unavailable due to circumstances, such as illness, vacation, or termination of employment.

#### (6) SHIFT CAREGIVER REQUIREMENTS

(a) Shift caregivers may be used in lieu of a resident manager. If shift caregivers are used, each shift caregiver must meet or exceed the experience and training qualifications for the license classification requested.

(b) Shift caregivers must meet and maintain the qualification and training requirements specified in sections (1)(c) through (2)(g) of this rule. The LLA shall verify all the requirements of these rules have been satisfied prior to approval of a shift caregiver.

(7) SUBSTITUTE CAREGIVER REQUIREMENTS. A substitute caregiver left in charge of the residents for any period of time, may not be a resident, and must at a minimum, meet all the following qualifications prior to working alone in the home.

(a) Be at least 18 years of age.

(b) Have an approved background check in accordance with [OAR 411-049-0120](#) and maintain that approval as required.

(c) Be proficient in the English language and demonstrate the ability to comprehend and communicate in English orally and in writing with the residents and the residents' family members and representatives, emergency personnel (e.g., emergency operator, law enforcement, paramedics, and fire fighters), licensed health care professionals, case managers, Department and LLA staff, and others involved in the care of the residents.

(d) Be able to respond appropriately to emergency situations at all times.

(e) Have a clear understanding of their responsibilities, have knowledge of the residents' care plans, and be able to provide the care specified for each resident, including appropriate delegation or consultation by a registered nurse.

(f) Possess physical health, mental health, good judgment, and good personal character, including truthfulness, determined necessary by the Department to provide care for adults who are older or adults with physical disabilities, as determined by reference checks and other sources of information.

(g) Substitute caregivers must complete CPR and First Aid training and certification within 30 calendar days of the start of employment. Certification must be maintained according to the standards established in (2)(b)(D) of this rule.

(h) Not be listed on either of the Exclusion Lists.

(A) The licensee or administrator must verify the substitute caregiver is not listed on either of these Exclusion Lists; and

(B) Clearly document that verification in the facility's records.

(i) All substitute caregivers must complete dementia training as stated in (2)(c).

(j) All substitute caregivers must complete LGBTQIA2S+ training as outlined by [OAR 411-049-0125\(2\)\(e\)](#).

(k) All substitute caregivers must complete HCBS training as outlined in [OAR 411-049-0125\(2\)\(f\)](#).

(l) A substitute caregiver must be oriented to the home, as stated in (2)(g) of this rule, by the licensee or administrator at the home, before providing direct care to any residents.

(m) A substitute caregiver must complete the Department's Caregiver Preparatory Training Study Guide ([DHS 9030](#)) and Workbook ([DHS 9030-W](#)) and receive instruction in specific care responsibilities from the licensee or administrator prior to working or training in the home. The Workbook must be completed by the substitute caregiver without the help of any others. The Workbook is considered part of the required orientation to the home and residents.

(A) The LLA may grant a variance to the Caregiver Preparatory Training Study Guide and Workbook requirement for a substitute caregiver who:

(i) Holds a current Oregon license as a health care professional, such as a physician, nurse practitioner, physician assistant, registered nurse, or licensed practical nurse; and

(ii) Demonstrates the ability to provide adequate care to residents based on similar training or at least one year of experience providing direct care to adults who are older or adults with physical disabilities.

(B) A certified nursing assistant (CNA) or certified medical assistant (CMA) must complete the Caregiver Preparatory Training Study Guide and Workbook and have a certificate of completion signed by the licensee or administrator.

(8) Contractors who provide services or supports directly to residents must complete the LGBTQIA2S+ trainings outlined in paragraph (11)(c) of this

rule.

(a) Contractors who must be trained include, but are not limited to, RN consultants and administrative consultants, housekeeping services, dietary services, beauticians, barbers, or other contractors who provide services or supports directly to residents.

(b) Exempt from this training requirement are contractors who contract directly with the resident or the resident's representative, and contractors who do not generally provide services or supports directly to residents, including but not limited to, contractors for landscaping, pest control, deliveries and building repairs.

(c) By December 31, 2024, licensees or administrators shall ensure that all contracts entered into with entities described in paragraph (a) of this section shall include language requiring contractors provide Department-approved LGBTQIA2S+ training to their employees within 12 months of entering into the contract with the licensee or administrator and every two years thereafter.

(d) For existing contracts in effect January 1, 2025, licensees or administrators shall require the contractor provide Department-approved LGBTQIA2S+ training to employees by December 31, 2025, and every two years thereafter.

(e) For new contracts created after January 1, 2025, licensees or administrators shall require contractors provide the Department-approved LGBTQIA2S+ training to employees within 12 months of entering into the contract with the facility, and every two years thereafter.

(f) Licensees or administrators must inform contractors that the cost of all LGBTQIA2S+ trainings for contracted employees shall be paid by the contractor.

(9) TRAINING WITHIN FIRST YEAR OF INITIAL LICENSURE OR APPROVAL. Within the first year of obtaining an initial license or approval, the licensee, administrator, resident manager, floating resident manager, and shift caregivers must complete the "DHS Six Rights of Safe Medication Administration" and a Fire and Life Safety training as available. The

Department or LLA and the Office of the State Fire Marshal or the local fire prevention authority may coordinate the Fire and Life Safety training program.

(10) ANNUAL TRAINING REQUIREMENTS.

(a) Each year after initial licensure, the licensee, administrator, resident manager, floating resident manager, and shift caregivers must complete at least 12 hours of Department-approved training related to the care of adults who are older or adults with physical disabilities in an AFH setting. Up to:

(A) Four hours of the required annual training may be related to the business operation of the AFH.

(B) Two hours of CPR training and two hours of First Aid training may count as part of the required annual training.

(b) A licensee, administrator, resident manager, floating resident manager, and shift caregivers, as applicable, must maintain approved CPR and First Aid certification.

(c) HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES (HCBS) TRAINING.

(A) All caregivers, including licensees, administrators, resident managers, floating resident managers, shift caregivers or substitute caregivers are required to complete the Department-approved annual HCBS training.

(B) These annual training requirements will be required as of April 1, 2025.

(d) Registered nurse delegation or consultation, and the Ensuring Quality Care Course (not including approved EQC refresher courses), AFH orientation, Ventilator Assisted Care Course and skills competency checks, or consultation with an accountant do not count toward the required 12 hours of annual training.

(11) BIENNIAL TRAINING REQUIREMENTS. Licensees, administrators, resident managers, floating resident managers, shift-caregivers, substitute caregivers, and contracted staff, shall be required to complete biennial training addressing LGBTQIA2S+ protections, as described in this section. Licensees or administrators are responsible for the cost of providing this training to all staff.

(a) Each AFH shall designate two employees, as reasonable, one to represent management and one to represent direct care staff by July 1, 2024. The individual designated to represent management shall serve as a point of contact for the AFH regarding compliance with preservice training and biennial training. This person shall develop a general training plan for the AFH. For licensees and administrators that are also the primary caregiver, only one staff person will be required to be designated.

(b) The licensee or administrator must select the LGBTQIA2S+ training to be used by the AFH by either:

(A) Choosing to use the standard Department-approved biennial LGBTQIA2S+ training; or

(B) Applying to the Department to request approval of a biennial LGBTQIA2S+ training to be developed and provided by the licensee or administrator.

(c) ORS 441.116 requires all LGBTQIA2S+ trainings address:

(A) Caring for LGBTQIA2S+ residents and residents living with human immunodeficiency virus; and

(B) Preventing discrimination based on a resident's sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression or human immunodeficiency virus status.

(C) The defined terms commonly associated with LGBTQIA2S+ individuals and human immunodeficiency virus status.

(D) Best practices for communicating with or about LGBTQIA2S+ residents and residents living with human immunodeficiency virus, including the use of an individual's chosen name and pronouns.

(E) A description of the health and social challenges historically experienced by LGBTQIA2S+ residents and residents living with human immunodeficiency virus, including discrimination when seeking or receiving care at care facilities and the demonstrated physical and mental health effects within the LGBTQIA2S+ community associated with such discrimination.

(F) Strategies to create a safe and affirming environment for LGBTQIA2S+ residents and residents living with human immunodeficiency virus, including suggested changes to care facility policies and procedures, forms, signage, communication between residents and their families, activities, in-house services and staff training.

(G) The individual or entity providing the training must demonstrate a commitment to advancing quality care for LGBTQIA2S+ residents and residents living with human immunodeficiency virus in this state.

(d) The proposal for training submitted by a licensee, administrator, entity, or individual shall include:

(A) The regulatory criteria described in paragraph (c) of this section as part of the proposal.

(B) The following elements must be included in the proposal:

(i) A statement of the qualifications and training experience of the individual or entity providing the training.

(ii) The proposed methodology for providing the training either online or in person.



(iii) An outline of the training.

(iv) Copies of the materials to be used in the training.

(C) The Department will review the materials and determine whether to approve or deny the training. No later than 90 days after the request is received, the Department will inform the licensee or administrator in writing of the Department's decision.

Stat. Auth.: [ORS 409.050](#), [410.070](#), [413.085](#), [441.122](#), [443.001](#), [443.004](#), [443.725](#), [443.730](#), [443.735](#), [443.738](#), [443.742](#), [443.767](#), [443.775](#), [443.790](#)

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#### **411-049-0135 License Applications** (Amended 09/25/2024)

(1) INITIAL LICENSE APPLICATION. The initial license application (APD 0448) must include:

(a) Verification of attendance at a Department-approved orientation program conducted by the LLA responsible for the licensing of the proposed AFH and successful completion of the Department's Ensuring Quality Care Course and examination. (See [OAR 411-049-0125](#)).

(b) Three personal references for the applicant who are not family members as defined in [OAR 411-049-0102](#). Current or potential licensees and co-workers of current or potential licensees are not eligible as personal references.

(c) The classification being requested with information and supporting documentation regarding qualifications, relevant work experience, and training of staff as required by the Department. To request a Class 3 license, the application must include:

(A) Proof of at least three years of full-time experience providing direct care to adults who are older or adults with physical disabilities and who required full assistance in four or more of activities of daily living.

(B) Current contact information from at least two licensed health care professionals who have direct knowledge of the applicant's abilities and experience as a caregiver; or

(C) A copy of the applicant's current unencumbered license as a healthcare professional in Oregon, if applicable.

(d) Documentation of the initiation of a background check or a copy of an approved background check for each subject individual as defined in [OAR 411-049-0102](#).

(e) A Health History and Physician, Physician's Assistant, or Nurse Practitioner's Statement (form [APD 0903](#)) regarding the applicant's ability to provide care.

(f) FINANCIAL INFORMATION. A completed AFH Financial Information form ([APD 0448A](#)), and supplemental information listed in [OAR 411-049-0125\(3\)](#) documenting at least two months of liquid resources to pay the operating costs of the home.

(g) If an applicant uses income from another AFH to document possession of at least two months of operating expenses, the applicant must demonstrate the financial ability and maintain sufficient liquid resources to pay the operating costs of each home for at least two months.

(h) Copies of the home's Residency Agreements according to [OAR 411-050-0750](#).

(i) Copies of the home's Nondiscrimination Notice that includes:

“(Name of care facility) does not discriminate and does not permit discrimination, including but not limited to bullying, abuse or harassment, based on an individual’s actual or perceived sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression or human immunodeficiency virus status, or based on an individual’s association with another individual on account of the other individual’s actual or perceived sexual orientation, gender

identity, gender expression or human immunodeficiency virus status. If you believe you have experienced this kind of discrimination, you may file a complaint with the Oregon Department of Human Services at (provide current contact information).”

(j) If the applicant is purchasing or owns the home, verification of purchase or ownership.

(k) If the home is leased or rented, a copy of the completed lease or rental agreement. The agreement must be a standard lease or rental agreement for residential use and include the following:

(A) The owner and landlord's name.

(B) Verification that the rent is a flat rate.

(C) The signatures of the landlord and applicant and the date signed.

(l) Complete contact information for the applicant including:

(A) A mailing address if different from the proposed AFH.

(B) A business address for electronic mail.

(m) The maximum resident capacity requested.

(n) Identify an Oregon-licensed registered nurse who has agreed to provide RN consultation, training and delegation to caregivers as needed.

(o) Identification of:

(A) Any relatives needing care.

(B) The maximum number of any room and board tenants.

(C) The maximum number of adult day services individuals.

- (D) The names of any other occupants in the home.
- (p) A \$20 per bed non-refundable fee for each non-relative resident.
- (q) If the applicant intends to use an administrator, resident manager, floating resident manager, or shift caregivers, the Department's supplemental application (form [APD 0448B](#)) completed by the applicant, as appropriate.
- (r) Succession Plan or current AFH Back-up Provider Agreement form ([APD 0350](#)).
- (s) The current AFH Weekly Plan of Operation form ([APD 0351](#)) describing the operational plan for the AFH.
- (t) A current and accurate floor plan that indicates:
  - (A) The size of rooms.
  - (B) Which bedrooms are to be used by residents, the licensee, caregivers, for adult day services, and room and board tenants, as applicable.
  - (C) The location of all the exits on each level of the home, including emergency exits such as windows.
  - (D) The location of any wheelchair ramps.
  - (E) The location of all fire extinguishers, smoke alarms, and carbon monoxide alarms.
  - (F) The planned evacuation routes, initial point of safety, and final point of safety.
  - (G) Any designated smoking areas in or on the AFH premises.
- (u) A copy of the applicant's current license as a health care professional in Oregon, if applicable.

(v) Incomplete initial applications are void after 60 calendar days from the date the LLA receives the application form and non-refundable fee, and the Department may deny the application if not withdrawn.

(2) MULTIPLE HOMES. An applicant may not be licensed to operate a second AFH, or any additional home, without first demonstrating a history of substantial compliance for previous and currently licensed AFHs.

(a) A separate application is required for each location where an AFH is to be operated.

(b) A written plan describing the administrative responsibilities and staffing to cover each home is required.

(c) The applicant must complete the Department's application form for the specific type of license requested and submit the application form to the LLA with the non-refundable fee.

(d) Applications are not complete until all the required information is submitted to the LLA. Failure to provide complete and accurate information may result in the denial of the application.

(e) The applicant may withdraw their application at any time during the application process by written notification to the LLA.

(f) An applicant whose license has been revoked, non-renewed, voluntarily surrendered during a revocation or non-renewal process, or whose application for licensure has been denied, shall not be granted a new license by the LLA for a period of not less than one year from the date the action was final, or for a longer period if specified in the final order.

(g) All moneys collected under [ORS 443.725 to 443.825](#) are paid to the Quality Care Fund.

(3) LICENSE RENEWAL. At least 90 calendar days prior to the expiration of a license, the LLA must send a reminder notice and renewal application to the licensee. License renewal inspections may be conducted with an appointment when requested by a licensee or administrator. The request must be made no less than 30 days prior to the expiration of the license

and the appointment must be scheduled at a mutually agreed upon time in cooperation with the LLA. If advance notice may obstruct or diminish the effectiveness of the enforcement of these rules, the appointment request may be denied.

(a) The application (form [APD 0448C](#)) must be completed and timely submitted with the required non-refundable fee to the LLA prior to the expiration date of the current license. Timely submission of the renewal application and fee shall keep the license in effect until the LLA or the Department takes action. The complete application will include:

(A) The requirements listed in (1)(i) through (t) of this rule.

(B) A Health History and Physician or Nurse Practitioner's Statement (form [APD 0903](#)). The Health History and Physician or Nurse Practitioner's Statement must be updated every third year or sooner if there is reasonable cause for health concerns.

(C) FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR THE HOME'S FIRST LICENSE RENEWAL. A completed Financial Information Worksheet (form [APD 0448A](#)) demonstrating the financial ability to maintain sufficient liquid resources to pay the home's operating costs for at least two months.

(D) Documentation of a current approved background check for each subject individual according to [OAR 411-049-0120](#).

(E) Copies of the home's Residency Agreement forms if changes to the original forms reviewed by the LLA are proposed.

(F) Proof of required annual training as specified in [OAR 411-049-0125\(8\)](#).

(b) A renewal application remaining incomplete at the time of license expiration, or failure to provide accurate information on the renewal application may result in the denial of the application.

(4) LOCAL LICENSING AUTHORITY AND DEPARTMENT ACTION. After receipt of the completed application materials, including the non-refundable

fee:

(a) FOR INITIAL LICENSE APPLICATIONS:

(A) The LLA must investigate the information submitted including pertinent information received from outside sources, conduct a personal interview with the applicant, and conduct an in-person inspection of the home identifying any deficiencies on the Department's [APD 0516](#) form, and specify a time frame for correction not to exceed 30 days.

(B) The licensee must be given a copy of the Department's inspection form ([APD 0516](#)).

(C) The LLA must issue a license within 60 calendar days after the completed application materials have been received if the home and applicant are in compliance with these rules.

(D) The Department shall deny the issuance of a license if deficiencies cited are not corrected within the time frames specified by the LLA.

(b) FOR RENEWAL LICENSE APPLICATIONS:

(A) The LLA shall investigate the information submitted, review the licensing records for the applicant, conduct an in-person inspection of the home, and provide the licensee a copy of the Department's Statement of Deficiencies and Plan of Correction form identifying any violations and specifying a time frame for correction not to exceed 30 days.

(B) The Department may deny a renewal application if cited deficiencies are not corrected within the time frame specified by the LLA.

(C) EXPIRED AND UNLICENSED ADULT FOSTER HOME. If the required renewal information and fee are not timely submitted to the LLA as required in (3) of this rule and residents remain in the home after the date the license expires, the home shall be treated as an unlicensed facility, subject to civil and

criminal penalties (See [OAR 411-052-0025](#) and [OAR 411-052-0045](#)).

(c) The licensee or administrator must post the most recent inspection reports, according to [OAR 411-049-0140](#), and must provide upon request a copy of the reports to each resident, person applying for admission to the home, or the legal representative, guardian, or conservator of a resident.

(d) The Department may attach conditions to the license that limit, restrict, or specify other criteria for operation of the home. The conditions must be visibly posted with the license.

Stat. Auth.: [ORS 409.050](#), [410.070](#), [413.085](#), [441.122](#), [443.001](#), [443.004](#), [443.725](#), [443.730](#), [443.735](#), [443.738](#), [443.742](#), [443.760](#), [443.767](#), [443.775](#), [443.790](#)

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#### **411-049-0140 Local Licensing Authority Action and Inspections** (Amended 09/26/2022)

(1) The licensee or administrator must be given a copy of the Department's inspection report forms as follows:

(a) INITIAL LICENSE. The Department's Adult Foster Home Initial Inspection Worksheet ([APD 0516](#)) identifying any areas of non-compliance and a time frame for correction.

(b) RENEWAL LICENSE. The Department's Renewal Inspection Worksheet ([APD 0517](#)), and the Department's Statement of Deficiencies and Plan of Correction identifying any area of non-compliance with a time frame for correction. The Statement of Deficiencies must specify a time frame for the correction of each violation. The time frame for correction may not exceed 30 calendar days from the date of inspection.

(2) ISSUANCE.



(a) The LLA must issue an initial license within 60 calendar days after the completed application materials have been received if the home is in compliance with these rules.

(b) The LLA shall not issue an initial or renewal license unless the following requirements are met:

(A) The applicant and the AFH are in compliance with [ORS 443.705 to 443.825](#) and these rules, including any applicable conditions and other final orders of the Department.

(B) The LLA has completed an in-person inspection of the AFH.

(C) The Department has completed a background check in accordance with [OAR 411-049-0120](#).

(D) The LLA has reviewed the record of sanctions available from the LLA's files.

(E) The LLA has determined the nursing assistant registry maintained under 42 CFR 483.156 contains no finding that the licensee or any nursing assistant employed by the licensee has been responsible for abuse.

(F) The LLA has determined the licensee is not listed on either of the Exclusion Lists.

(G) The applicant currently operates or has operated any other facility licensed by the applicant in substantial compliance with [ORS 443.705 to 443.825](#).

(H) The applicant has demonstrated to the LLA the financial ability and resources necessary to operate an AFH in accordance with [OAR 411-049-0125\(3\)](#).

### (3) BURDEN OF PROOF.

(a) In seeking an initial license, the burden of proof to establish compliance with [ORS 443.705 to 443.825](#) and these rules is upon the AFH applicant.

(b) In seeking the renewal of a license when an AFH has been licensed for less than 24 months, the burden of proof to establish compliance with [ORS 443.705 to 443.825](#) and these rules is upon the licensee.

(c) In seeking the renewal of a license when an AFH has been licensed for 24 or more continuous months, the burden of proof to establish non-compliance with [ORS 443.705 to 443.825](#) and these rules is upon the Department.

(4) INSPECTION REPORTS. The licensee or administrator must:

(a) Post the most recent inspection reports in the entry of the home or an equally prominent place; or

(b) Maintain the most recent inspection reports in a binder that is readily accessible and post the location of the facility binder with other required postings.

(c) Upon request, provide a copy of the reports to each resident, person applying for admission to the home, or the legal representative, guardian, or conservator of a resident.

Stat. Auth.: [ORS 409.050](#), [410.070](#), [413.085](#), [443.001](#), [443.004](#), [443.725](#), [443.730](#), [443.735](#), [443.738](#), [443.742](#), [443.760](#), [443.767](#), [443.775](#), [443.790](#)  
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**411-049-0145 Medicaid Provider Enrollment Agreement (PEA)**  
(Amended 09/26/2022)

(1) An applicant or licensee who intends to care for residents who are or become eligible for Medicaid services must enter into a Medicaid PEA with the Department, follow Department rules, and abide by the terms of the Medicaid PEA.

(2) An approved Medicaid PEA does not guarantee the placement of individuals eligible for Medicaid services in the AFH.

(3) An approved Medicaid PEA is valid for the length of the license unless earlier terminated by the licensee or the Department. A Medicaid PEA must be completed, submitted, approved, and renewed with each licensing cycle.

(4) The rate of compensation established by the Department is considered payment in full. The licensee may not request or accept additional funds or in-kind payment from any source.

(5) An individual eligible for Medicaid services may not be admitted into an AFH unless and until:

(a) The Department has approved a Medicaid PEA. The Department shall not issue a Medicaid payment to a licensee without a current license and an approved Medicaid PEA in place;

(b) The individual eligible for Medicaid services has been screened according to [OAR 411-051-0110](#); and

(c) The Department has authorized the placement. The authorization must be clearly documented in the resident's record with other required admission materials. (See [OAR 411-050-0750](#)).

(6) The Department shall not make payment for the date a resident moves from the home, or for any time period thereafter.

(7) A licensee who elects to provide care for individuals eligible for Medicaid services is not required to admit more than one resident eligible for Medicaid services. However, if the licensee has an approved Medicaid PEA, private-pay residents who become eligible for Medicaid services may not be asked to leave solely based on Medicaid eligibility.

(8) The licensee or the Department may terminate a Medicaid PEA according to the terms of the Medicaid PEA.

(9) The Department may terminate a Medicaid PEA under the following circumstances:

(a) The licensee fails to maintain substantial compliance with all related federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, and regulations; or

(b) The license to operate the AFH has been voluntarily surrendered, revoked, or non-renewed.

(10) The Department must terminate a Medicaid PEA under the following circumstances:

(a) The licensee fails to permit access by the Department, the LLA, OHA, or CMS to any AFH licensed to and operated by the licensee.

(b) The licensee submits false or inaccurate information.

(c) Any person with five percent or greater direct or indirect ownership interest in the AFH did not submit timely and accurate information on the Medicaid PEA form or fails to submit fingerprints if required under the Background Check Rules in [OAR 407-007-0200 to 407-007-0370](#).

(d) Any person with five percent or greater direct or indirect ownership interest in the AFH has been convicted of a criminal offense related to the person's involvement with Medicare, Medicaid, or Title XXI programs in the last 10 years.

(e) Any person with an ownership or control interest, or who is an agent or managing employee of the AFH, fails to submit timely and accurate information on the Medicaid PEA form.

(11) If the licensee submits notice of termination of the Medicaid PEA, the licensee must comply with the following requirements:

(a) Simultaneously issue the Department's Notice of Involuntary Move or Transfer of Resident form ([APD 0901](#)) to each resident eligible for Medicaid services in the licensee's AFH (See [OAR 411-050-0760](#)).

(b) Update Residency Agreement according to [OAR 411-050-0705](#) and submit to the LLA for review.

(c) Obtain signatures of all current residents, or the resident's representative on the updated Residency Agreement following the LLA's review.

(12) If either the licensee or the Department terminates a Medicaid PEA, a new Medicaid PEA shall not be approved by the LLA for a period of not less than 180 days from the date the licensee or the Department terminated the Medicaid PEA.

(13) DEATH OF RESIDENT ELIGIBLE FOR MEDICAID SERVICES WITH NO SURVIVING SPOUSE. The licensee must forward all personal incidental funds (PIF) to the Estate Administration Unit, P. O. Box 14021, Salem, Oregon 97309-5024, within 10 business days of the death of a resident eligible for Medicaid services with no surviving spouse. (See Limits on Estate Claims, [OAR 461-135-0835](#)).

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#### **411-049-0150 Limited Adult Foster Homes** (Adopted 07/01/2019)

(1) The licensee must comply with all requirements for HCB Settings as described in these rules. (See [OAR chapter 411, division 004](#)).

(2) To qualify for a limited AFH license the applicant or licensee must be at least 21 years of age and submit:

(a) A completed application for initial or renewal limited licenses.

(b) The Department's Health History and Physician's or Nurse Practitioner's Statement that indicates the applicant or licensee is physically, cognitively, and emotionally capable of providing care to a specific adult who is older or who has a physical disability and with whom the applicant has an established relationship of not less than one year. The Health History and Statement must be submitted initially and every third year or sooner if there is reasonable cause for health concerns.

(c) Documentation of the initiation of a background check or copy of an approved background check for each subject individual.

(d) Completion of the Department's Caregiver Preparatory Training Study Guide ([DHS 9030](#)) and Workbook ([DHS 9030-W](#)).

(e) A \$20 non-refundable fee. If the licensee requests and is granted a variance from the capacity limitation of one resident, a \$20 per bed non-refundable fee for each non-relative resident is required.

(3) Licensees who are at least 18 years of age and under 21 years of age on January 1, 2018 are exempt from the minimum age requirement of 21 years.

(4) The applicant or licensee must demonstrate a clear understanding of the resident's care needs.

(5) The applicant or licensee must live in the home that is to be licensed.

(6) The applicant or licensee must own, rent, or lease the home where care is being provided. The applicant or licensee must provide verification of proof of ownership or a copy of the signed and dated rental or lease agreement as applicable.

(7) A caregiver must be available at all times, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, when the resident is in the home. The caregiver must have the knowledge and ability to meet the resident's care needs. All caregivers must:

(a) Have an approved background check according to the Background Check Rules before working in the home.

(b) Complete the Department's Caregiver Preparatory Training Study Guide ([DHS 9030](#)) and Workbook ([DHS 9030-W](#)).

(c) Be at least 18 years of age.

(8) The licensee must notify the LLA if the licensee shall be absent from the home 10 days or more and the resident shall be remaining in the home during the absence. The licensee must also submit a staffing plan to the LLA demonstrating coverage during the absence that meets the needs of the resident.

(9) The resident's bedroom must be in close enough proximity to the licensee or caregiver in charge to alert him or her to nighttime needs or emergencies, or the bedroom must be equipped with a functional call bell or intercom within the resident's abilities to operate.

(10) The licensee and caregiver must have a complete understanding of the resident's medications. The licensee must have a copy of current prescribing practitioner orders including, if applicable, written authorization for self-administration of medications.

(11) Medications must be stored in the original labeled container except when stored in a seven-day closed container manufactured for advanced set-up of medications.

(12) The licensee and caregiver must place used, disposable syringes and needles, and other sharp items in a puncture-resistant, red container designed for disposal of sharp items. Disposal must be according to local regulations as stated in [OAR 411-050-0720\(15\)](#). (See [ORS 459.386-459.405](#)).

(13) The licensee, the licensee's family, and employees of the home must guarantee not to violate the Resident's Rights as outlined in [OAR 411-051-0105](#).

(14) The licensee must have a copy of any applicable legal documents, such as Advance Directive, Physician Order for Life-Sustaining Treatment (POLST), and Do Not Resuscitate (DNR) orders.

(15) The home must have a working landline and corded telephone. If the licensee has a caller identification service on the home number, the blocking feature must be disabled to allow incoming calls to be received unhindered. Voice over internet protocol (VoIP), voice over broadband (VoBB), or cellular telephone service may not be used in place of a landline.

(16) CONSTRUCTION. Interior and exterior doorways used by a resident must be wide enough to accommodate wheelchairs and walkers if used by the resident. Interior and exterior stairways must be unobstructed, equipped with handrails, and appropriate to the condition of the resident.

(17) Hardware for all exit doors and interior doors must be readily visible and have simple hardware that may not be locked against exit and must have an obvious method of operation. Hasps, sliding bolts, hooks and eyes, slide chain locks, and double key deadbolts are not permitted.

(a) The resident's bedroom must have a lockable door for the resident's privacy, as stated in [OAR 411-051-0105](#). The locking device must release by a single-action on the inside of the room and open to a hall or common-use room.

(b) The resident shall be provided a key that only locks and unlocks his or her bedroom door.

(c) A master key to the resident's door lock must be immediately available to the licensee and all other caregivers in the home.

(18) If a home has a resident with impaired judgment who is known to wander away, the home must have an activated alarm system to alert a caregiver of the resident's unsupervised exit.

(19) Buildings must be of sound construction with wall and ceiling flame spread rates at least substantially comparable to wood lath and plaster or better. The maximum flame spread of finished materials may not exceed 200 and the smoke developed index may not be greater than 450. If more than 10 percent of combined wall and ceiling areas in a sleeping room or exit way is composed of readily combustible material such as acoustical tile or wood paneling, such material must be treated with an approved flame-retardant coating. Exception: Buildings supplied with an approved automatic sprinkler system.

(20) Manufactured homes must be in compliance with [OAR 411-050-0720\(6\)](#).

(21) The applicant or licensee must meet minimal fire safety standards including:

(a) A functional smoke alarm with back-up battery must be installed in all sleeping areas and hallways or access ways that adjoin sleeping areas.



(b) A functional carbon monoxide alarm with back-up battery must be installed within 15 feet of each bedroom and at a height as recommended by the manufacturer.

(c) At least one fire extinguisher with a minimum classification of 2-A:10-B:C must be mounted in a visible and readily accessible location on each floor, including basements, and be checked at least once a year by a qualified person who is well versed in fire extinguisher maintenance. All recharging and hydrostatic testing must be completed by a qualified agency properly trained and equipped for this purpose.

(d) The licensee must have a safe evacuation plan and may be required to demonstrate the evacuation plan. The licensee may be required to install an Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant ramp for the safety of all occupants.

(e) The licensee and all occupants must be able to evacuate within three minutes to an initial point of safety exterior to and away from the structure, with access to a public sidewalk or street. The licensee and all occupants must be able to demonstrate the ability to further evacuate all occupants from the initial point of safety to the final point of safety within two minutes or less.

(f) Smoking is prohibited in any bedroom, including that of the resident, the licensee, occupants, or caregivers and in any room where oxygen is used or stored.

(g) The home must be built of standard construction and must meet all applicable state and local building, mechanical, and housing codes for fire and life safety.

(h) A resident must have a bedroom that:

(A) Was constructed as a bedroom when the home was built or remodeled under permit.

(B) Is finished with walls or partitions of standard construction that go from floor to ceiling.

(C) Has a door large enough to accommodate the occupant of the room and any equipment that may be necessary such as a hospital bed or wheelchair.

(D) Has adequate ventilation, heat, and lighting with at least one operable window or exterior door that leads directly outside as a secondary egress for resident use.

(E) Has at least 70 square feet of usable floor space.

(i) All exit ways, including windows, must remain unobstructed at all times.

(j) Flammable materials must not be stored within 36 inches of open flame or heat sources.

(k) Only sealed electric transfer heaters or electric space heaters with tip-over shut-off capability may be used when approved by the State Fire Marshal or State Fire Marshal's designee. Heaters must be plugged directly into an outlet and may not be used with extension cords.

(l) The licensee must install or make available, any supportive device necessary to meet the resident's needs and ensure resident safety including, but not limited to, grab bars, ramps, and door alarms.

(22) A license is not transferable and does not apply to any location or person other than the location and the person indicated on the license obtained from the LLA.

(23) The licensee must notify the LLA at least 30 days before any change in residential or mailing address.

(24) The Department, the LLA, and the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) have authority to conduct inspections with or without advance notice to the licensee or the resident of a home. The licensee must allow and authorize other caregivers and occupants to permit entrance and access to the home and the resident for the purpose of

assessing, monitoring, inspection, investigation, and other duties within the scope of the Department, the LLA, or CMS.

(25) The applicant or licensee must obtain any training and maintain resident record documentation deemed necessary by the Department to provide adequate care for the resident.

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#### **411-049-0155 Ventilator-Assisted Care Requirements** (Amended 09/26/2022)

(1) AFHs that provide ventilator-assisted care for residents must meet the requirements of this rule, in addition to the other requirements set forth in these rules.

(2) LICENSE REQUIRED. A person or entity may not represent themselves as operating an AFH that provides ventilator-assisted care or accept placement of an individual requiring ventilator-assisted care without being licensed as a ventilator-assisted care AFH.

(3) The licensee must comply with all HCB Settings requirements as described in these rules.

(4) To apply for an initial license to provide ventilator-assisted care, and to renew the license, an applicant must complete the Department's ventilator-assisted care application form ([APD 0448V](#)) and submit the application with the required information and nonrefundable fee as outlined in [OAR 411-049-0105](#) to the LLA. Applications are processed according to [OAR 411-049-0135](#).

(5) QUALIFICATIONS AND TRAINING. An applicant, licensee, and all other caregivers must meet and maintain compliance with [OAR 411-049-0125](#). Additionally:

(a) The applicant, licensee, administrator, resident manager, floating resident manager, or shift caregivers, as applicable, must

demonstrate one year of full-time experience in providing ventilator-assisted care.

(b) The applicant, licensee, or administrator, as applicable, must have experience operating a Class 3 AFH in substantial compliance with these rules for at least one year.

(c) An applicant for an AFH providing ventilator-assisted care must be the primary caregiver and live in the home where ventilator-assisted care is to be provided for a minimum of one year from the date the initial ventilator-assisted care license is issued. The licensee may employ a resident manager to be the primary live-in caregiver after providing ventilator-assisted care for the one-year period. The resident manager must be approved by the LLA and the Department.

(d) The applicant, licensee, and all other caregivers must successfully complete the Department's approved training pertaining to ventilator-assisted care and other training as required. Training is required on an annual basis and must be completed by the licensee, resident manager, floating resident manager, shift caregivers, and substitute caregivers, as applicable, prior to approval of a renewed ventilator-assisted care license.

(6) CLASSIFICATION. An applicant for a ventilator-assisted care license must possess the minimum qualifications outlined in section (5) of this rule. The applicant and licensee must meet and maintain compliance with [OAR 411-049-0105](#). The LLA shall issue a Level A, Level B, or Level C ventilator-assisted care AFH license to qualified applicants.

(a) A licensee with a Level C ventilator-assisted care license may admit a maximum of one resident who requires ventilator-assisted care. The LLA may issue a Level C license if the applicant has:

(A) Satisfied the requirements described in section (5) above; and

(B) Successfully operated a Class 3 home in substantial compliance with these rules for a period of not less than one year.

(b) A licensee with a Level B ventilator-assisted care license may admit a maximum of three residents who require ventilator-assisted care. The LLA may issue a Level B license if the licensee has:

(A) Satisfied the requirements described in section (5) above;  
and

(B) Successfully operated and provided ventilator-assisted care in their Level C home in substantial compliance with these rules for a period of not less than one year.

(c) A licensee with a Level A ventilator-assisted care license may admit a maximum of five residents who require ventilator-assisted care. The LLA may issue a Level A license if the licensee has:

(A) Satisfied the requirements described in section (5) above;  
and

(B) Successfully operated and provided ventilator-assisted care in their Level B home in substantial compliance with these rules for a period of not less than one year.

(7) CAPACITY. An applicant and licensee must meet and maintain compliance with [OAR 411-049-0105](#). The number of residents permitted to reside in a ventilator-assisted care AFH is determined by the level of the home, the ability of the staff to meet the care needs of the residents, the fire and life safety standards, and compliance with these rules. A licensee may only admit or continue to provide ventilator-assisted care for residents according to the level of the home's license. A licensee may admit other residents who do not require ventilator-assisted care within the approved license capacity listed on the home's license.

(8) OPERATIONAL STANDARDS. In addition to the standards set forth in these rules:

(a) FOR LEVEL A AND LEVEL B. A minimum of two qualified and approved caregivers must be on site and available to meet the routine and emergency care and service needs of the residents 24 hours a day. A minimum of one of the two qualified and approved caregivers must be awake during nighttime hours.

(b) FOR LEVEL C. At least one qualified and approved caregiver must be on site, available, and awake to meet the routine and emergency care and service needs of the residents 24 hours a day.

(c) All caregivers must demonstrate competency in providing ventilator-assisted care.

(d) The applicant and licensee must have a satisfactory system in place to ensure the caregivers are alert to the 24-hour needs of residents who may be unable to independently call for assistance.

(e) All caregivers must know how to operate the back-up generator without assistance and be able to demonstrate how to operate the back-up generator upon request by the Department or LLA.

(9) FACILITY STANDARDS. An applicant and licensee must meet and maintain compliance with [OAR 411-050-0715](#). In addition:

(a) The residents' bedrooms must be a minimum of 100 square feet, or larger if necessary, to accommodate the standard requirements of [OAR 411-050-0715](#), the needs of the resident, and the equipment and supplies necessary for the care and services needed by individuals requiring ventilator-assisted care.

(b) Homes that provide ventilator-assisted care for residents must have a functional, emergency back-up generator. The generator must be adequate to maintain electrical service for resident needs until regular service is restored. Hard wired, back-up generators must be installed by a licensed electrician. Back-up generators must be tested monthly and the test must be documented in the facility records.

(c) The home must have a functional, interconnected carbon monoxide and smoke alarm system with back-up batteries.

(d) The home must have a functional sprinkler system and maintenance of the sprinkler system must be completed as recommended by the manufacturer. A home that does not have a functional sprinkler system, but was approved to provide ventilator-assisted care prior to September 1, 2013, must install a functional

whole-home sprinkler system. (See [OAR 411-050-0725\(3\)](#) for evacuation requirements with sprinklers).

(e) Each resident's bedroom must have a mechanism in place that enables the resident to summon a caregiver's assistance when needed. The mechanism must be within the abilities of the resident to use. The summons must be audible in all areas of the AFH.

(10) STANDARDS FOR CARE. Licensees must meet and maintain compliance with [OAR 411-051-0110](#). In addition:

(a) Prior to admitting a resident requiring ventilator care to the AFH, the licensee must obtain preauthorization from the Department.

(b) The licensee must have a primary care physician identified for each resident being considered for admission.

(c) The licensee, including a licensee who is an Oregon licensed practical nurse (LPN), must retain the services of a registered nurse (RN) consultant to work in the home who is licensed by the State of Oregon and trained in the care of individuals requiring ventilator-assisted care. RN services include, but are not limited to, the provision of medical consultation and supervision of resident care, skilled nursing care as needed, and delegation of nursing care to caregivers. When the licensee is an RN, a back-up RN licensed by the State of Oregon and trained in the care of individuals requiring ventilator-assisted care must be identified and available to provide nursing services in the absence of the licensee.

(d) The licensee must develop individual care plans for each resident with the RN consultant addressing the expected frequency of nursing supervision, consultation, and direct service intervention. The RN consultation must be documented on the resident's completed care plan with the RN's signature and date signed.

(e) The licensee must have physician, RN, and respiratory therapist consultation services, all licensed by the State of Oregon and trained in the care of individuals requiring ventilator-assisted care available on a 24-hour basis and for in-home visits as appropriate. The

licensee must call the appropriate medical professional to attend to the emergent care needs of the residents.

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#### **411-049-0160 Variances (Amended 09/25/2024)**

(1) An applicant, licensee, or administrator may request a variance to the provisions of these rules. The variance request must be in writing and must include clear and convincing evidence that:

- (a) The requested variance does not jeopardize the care, health, welfare, or safety of the residents;
- (b) All of the residents' needs shall be met; and
- (c) All residents, in addition to other occupants in the home, may be evacuated in three minutes or less.

(2) VARIANCES NOT ALLOWED. Except for section (1) of this rule, no variance shall be granted by the LLA from a regulation or provision of the rules pertaining to:

- (a) Resident capacity as described in [OAR 411-049-0105](#).
- (b) Minimum age of licensee and any caregivers as described in [OAR 411-049-0125](#), except as stated in [OAR 411-049-0150\(3\)](#).
- (c) The training requirements of a licensee and all other caregivers, except as allowed for:
  - (A) Provisional licenses as described in [OAR 411-049-0105\(14\)\(b\)](#);
  - (B) When a substitute caregiver holds an Oregon health care professional license as described in [OAR 411-049-0125](#); or



(C) A licensee designated as a corporate entity must obtain a variance to the training requirements as described in [OAR 411-049-0125\(2\)\(a\) – \(2\)\(g\)](#).

(d) Standards and practices for care and services as described in [OAR chapter 411, division 51](#).

(e) In-person inspections of the facility as described in [OAR 411-052-0005](#).

(f) Background checks as described in [OAR 411-049-0120](#).

(3) The LLA shall not grant a variance request to any rule that is inconsistent with Oregon Revised Statutes or [42 CFR 441.301\(c\)\(2\)\(xiii\)](#) and [42 CFR 441.530\(a\)\(1\)\(vi\)](#) (See [OAR 411-049-0160\(4\)](#)).

(4) The LLA shall not grant a variance request related to fire and life safety without prior consultation with the Department.

(5) In deciding to grant a variance, the LLA must consider the licensee's history of compliance with rules governing AFHs or other long-term care facilities for adults who are older or adults with physical disabilities in Oregon and any other jurisdiction, if appropriate. The LLA must determine that the variance is consistent with the intent and purpose of these rules before granting the variance. The LLA must respond, in writing, within 30 days of receiving a request for a variance. The written response must include the frequency of renewal.

(6) A variance is not effective until granted in writing by the LLA. Variances are reviewed pursuant to these rules. If applicable, the licensee must re-apply for a variance at the time of license renewal, or more often if determined necessary by the LLA.

(7) In seeking a variance, the burden of proof that the requirements of these rules have been met is upon the applicant or licensee.

(8) If a variance to any provision of these rules is denied, the applicant or licensee may request a meeting with the LLA.

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