

Supporting Your Independence

The Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Settings Rule promotes independent living and community inclusion for Medicaid members.



People living in a community-based residential facility, adult family home, residential care apartment complex, or children's foster home have the right to:

- **Experience full access to the community.** This includes chances to seek employment and work in integrated settings, take part in community life, control money, and get services in the community.
- **Decide where they live.** Options include non-disability-specific locations. Their long-term care support team provides options based on their needs, preferences, and resources.
- **Be treated with dignity and respect.** They have the right to privacy and freedom from threats and restraint.
- **Live with independence.** They can make choices about life, daily activities, friendships, the places they go, and more.
- **Choose services and supports and who provides them.**
- **Enter into legal agreements** to rent or occupy a residence.
- **Have a physically accessible residence.**
- **Control their privacy.** Their doors should have locks and they can choose their roommates. They can furnish and decorate their living spaces, as long as it doesn't break the rules of the lease or agreement.*
- **Control their schedules.** They can choose their activities, and access food at any time.*
- **Have visitors of their choice,** at any time.*

*Individualized restrictions must be agreed on by the individual, supported by an assessed need, and justified in the resident's Medicaid long-term care person-centered service and support plan.

Scan the QR code or go to dhs.wi.gov/hcbs/residential.htm to learn more.
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