

# Senior & Long Term Care Division Community Services Bureau

Big Sky Waiver Policy Manual

Title: BSW 736 Section: SERVICES

Subject: Supported Living

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#### **DEFINITION**

Supported Living is a comprehensive habilitation service designated to support individuals with brain injuries, or other severe disabilities, in the community. Individuals receiving supported living services may reside in any non-institutional setting.

## COVERED SERVICES

Supported living is a bundled service which includes: independent living evaluation, homemaking, habilitation aides, behavioral programming, non-medical transportation, specially trained attendants, day habilitation, residential habilitation, prevocational training, supported employment, 24-hour availability of staff for supervision and safety, and service coordination to coordinate supported living services.

#### SERVICE REQUIREMENTS

Providers must have two years' experience in providing services to persons with physical disabilities. A Case Management Team (CMT) may not provide Supported Living services.

Members of this service must have identifiable BSW goals that are reviewed by the CMT every six months or more frequently if necessary. Supported living providers must show progress in the achievement of these goals.

In contrast to post-acute rehabilitation, which provides shortterm rehabilitative treatment, supported living is a long term support service.

### SERVICE LIMITS

As this is a high-cost service, enrollment is limited. Supported living candidates must be prior approved by the Community Services

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Bureau by following the process for CC3 referrals outlined in sections BSW 403 and the SLTC-148 form.

An individual in Supported Living may not receive other waiver services that would be duplicative to those included in the supported living plan.