

Summary of CMS Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) Settings Rule Site Visit

Location	
Type	Agency Foster Home for Adults
Name	Blessed Homes
Visit Date	3/26/2024
State Staff	Erica Reiner, Program Administrator
Specialized Services	Residential Habilitation and Community Supports
License	Agency Foster Home for Adults Licensing Policy 670-05-20
Capacity	4
Medicaid Consumers	3
Education Provided	Information and education regarding the Home and Community Based Services Settings requirements published in the Federal Register on January 16, 2014, was emailed to the AFHA owner. An assessment tool was developed by the state that was based on the settings criteria and the exploratory questions provided by CMS, and was used to provide education to the Agency. State staff utilized North Dakota Administrative Code 75-03-21.1 Licensing of Agency Foster Homes for Adults, Agency Foster Home for Adults Licensing Policy 670-05-20, and Chapter 75-03-23 Provisions of Home and Community Based Services Under the Service Payments for Elderly and Disabled Program and the Medicaid Waiver for the Aged and Disabled Program as resources to provide education.
Technical Assistance	The State provided technical assistance upon request and the provider submitted an evidence package for the State to review prior to onsite visit. The evidence package was used by the State to prove compliance with setting requirements. The assessment tool was completed onsite during the licensing study visit.
Settings Experience Interviews	Thirty days after the first Medicaid consumer admission a Settings Experience Review will be completed by the State. Survey questions focus on the quality of the individual's experiences, integration into the broader community, options for choice in where to live, ensuring the individual's rights of privacy, dignity, and respect, freedom from coercion and restraint, ensuring the individual has initiative, autonomy, and independence in making choices to include but not limited to activities, cares, and services along with who provides them.