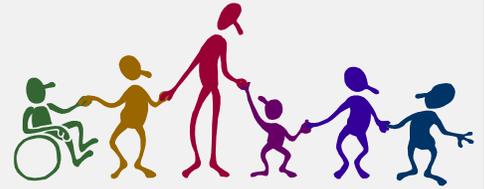


# CERTIFIED FAMILY HOME ACCEPTING A NEW RESIDENT



How to screen residents for your Certified Family Home:

Having a comfortable match between you and the person you are caring for is important for everyone's well being, stress level, and satisfaction:

- Know your capabilities and limitations.
- Do not accept a resident if you cannot meet their needs.
- You may wish to consider a "trial visit" for a weekend or a few days to allow all persons involved time to assess compatibility.
- Other residents in your home should be allowed to participate in the decision regarding whom they live with.

## Lifestyle Considerations

- The resident's personal habits, i.e., smoking, drinking
- Expectation for visitors
- Bedtime and awakening preferences
- Hobbies
- Reaction to any children or pets in the home
- Transportation needs

## Level of Care Considerations

- Ability to communicate
- Need for help with bathing, dressing or grooming
- Contenance/Incontinence
- Mobility
- Special equipment or therapy
- Medications
- Level of confusion

## Need for protective supervision or behavior management

- Daily schedule
- Diet