CERTIFIED FAMILY HOME NURSING FACILITY LEVEL OF CARE (NFLOC)

Purpose:
To ensure that nursing facility level of care (NFLOC) residents receive safe and effective services while residing in a certified family home (CFH).

A home may care for one (1) resident who requires NFLOC without obtaining a waiver. A home seeking to provide care to two (2) residents who require NFLOC must request a waiver from the department. If the department determines the living situation is safe and effective, a one (1) year waiver will be approved.

The Level of Care (LOC) for residents residing in a CFH is determined by the results of the UAI assessment. The NFLOC is applicable for A & D waiver participants as well as private pay residents who score twelve (12) or more points on the Uniform Assessment Instrument (UAI).

Procedure:
Department staff should check the LOC status of current residents residing in the CFH prior to conducting a UAI assessment for a new applicant or authorizing services for an existing A & D waiver participant. For private pay residents, the provider will make available to the department a completed UAI for review.

If the Department determines that a NFLOC waiver is required, the home shall be notified and provided a waiver form. It is the responsibility of the home to return the form to the Department for approval.

If the participant’s living situation is safe and effective, a one year waiver may be granted. The CFH Program Manager’s signature on the waiver form will be the documentation of the Department’s assessment that the living situation is safe and effective. The waiver is not transferable to any other provider, address, or resident and has to be renewed yearly.

The department may revoke the waiver if there is a threat to the life or safety of either resident or the arrangement is no longer safe and effective. The waiver becomes invalid if one of the residents moves from the home or no longer wishes to live in the home with the other resident.