

Mississippi Department of Mental Health

Provider Bulletin

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Subject: Clarification of Rule 30.4 A. Supported Living Services for IDD Service Components Issue Date: January 9, 2019 Effective Date: January 9, 2019

<u>Scope</u>

All DMH/H and DMH/O Certified Providers

Purpose

To clarify Supported Living residency in Rule 30.4 A. Supported Living Services for IDD Service Components.

<u>Subject</u>

Rule 30.4 Supported Living Services for IDD Service Components

A. Supported Living is provided to individuals who reside in their own residences (either owned or leased **by themselves or a provider**) for the purposes of increasing and enhancing independent living in the community. **The residence can be a Supervised Living Certified Site, if the individual so chooses.** Supported Living is for individuals who need less than 24-hour staff support per day. Staff must be on call 24/7 in order to respond to emergencies via phone call or return to the living site, depending on the type of emergency. Supported Living services are provided in a homelike setting where people have access to the community at large to the same extent as people who do not have IDD.

Please note the level of independence for individuals receiving Supported Living should be followed as outlined in Rule 30.4 and 30.5. The purpose of Supported Living continues to be increasing and enhancing independent living in the community.

Persons living in a Supervised Living Certified Site must have a written financial agreement and meet the requirements in Rule 30.1.E. Persons must have control over their personal resources as outlined in Rule 30.1.K.

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