



RESIDENTIAL SUPPORTS-SUPPORTED LIVING

For individuals who reside either in their family home or who live independently in their own home or apartment, Diversified Enterprises offers *Supported Living services*. Supported Living Services delivers in-home customized supports and training designed to maximize independence and promote autonomy of adults who require assistance to stay healthy and safe in their own homes. Hours and types of support provided are based on the needs and desires of the individuals and/or their family members. Areas of support might include, but are not limited to, assistance with meals, shopping, personal hygiene and community involvement.

Diversified Enterprises is dedicated to ensuring everyone we work with is afforded opportunities to make decisions that affect their lives. To support this, all service decisions are based on an individual's input and based on their preferred lifestyle.

Program Goals:

Diversified Enterprises goal is to create opportunities that afford individuals supported to live, work and participate fully in their communities. Diversified Enterprises believes everyone should have the home of their choice that is typical for persons without disabilities (such as apartments, condominiums and houses), the ability to select/hire support staff, and become the leaseholders or owners of their home so that they can control their own living arrangements.

Program Location:

Southern Georgia (Regions 4 and 5)

Services/Benefits Provided:

Services and supports are individually tailored supports that assist with the acquisition, retention or improvement of skills related to participants' continued residence in their own or family homes. Supported Living services provide a focus on Social, adaptive, and leisure skill development, Personal care and protective oversight, Medical related services, Implementation of behavioral support plan, Transportation of participant to facilitate personal care, advocacy and decision-making, and maintaining a home. Services are provided under the categories of *Community Living Support Services (CLS)*

Populations served:

- ❖ Individuals over 16 years of age or older with a Developmental Disabilities that are eligible for COMP waiver funding through DBHDD.

Admission criteria:

- ✓ Must have a documented disability
- ✓ Eligible for Medicaid Waiver or Private Funding.
- ✓ Ability to benefit from services within the levels of staffing provided under current funding structures.
- ✓ Medical needs do not necessitate skilled Nursing Care exceeding authorized services
- ✓ Must be 16 years or older
- ✓ Must be medically stable prior to admission including free from communicable diseases that pose a serious threat as defined by public health authorities (ex. Tuberculosis).
- ✓ Not actively abusing drugs or alcohol.
- ✓ Must submit required intake paperwork for admission.

Discharge Criteria:

- All applicable individual goals have been met.
- Acceptance in alternate program.
- Violent or disruptive behavior that poses danger to self or others and that has not been successfully controlled with appropriate support methods.
- Consistent refusal to participate.
- Presents needs which cannot be met with available resources.
- Services no longer required, excessive absenteeism or does not benefit from program.

Program Capacity:

- ◆ Varies based on need

Opportunities for vocational supports and wage earning:

- ❖ Diversified Enterprises is an Employment First Organization so Community Living Support Services may be combined with Supported Employment and Customized Employment Opportunities.

Staff Qualifications:

- ◆ Trained and holds current CPR/ First Aid certification
- ◆ Trained and holds current Medication Assistance certification
- ◆ Trained and holds current Mandt (behavior management) certification
- ◆ Free of communicable disease in any form.
- ◆ Cleared through criminal background investigation and drug testing.
- ◆ RN and LPN staffing and supports available
- ◆ Behavioral Support Services available
- ◆ Has demonstrated skills and abilities in supporting individuals with Developmental Disabilities.

Accreditation & Licensure:

- Diversified Enterprises is accredited by the Council on Quality and Leadership (CQL). It is also licensed through the Georgia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities.