

COMMUNITY LIVING disABILITY SERVICES**ADULT DISABILITY SERVICES****Subject: Support Services: Funding Supports****PURPOSE**

Respite provides the primary caregiver with short-term supports to assist them with the provision of continuous care to individuals with a mental disability.

OBJECTIVES

1. To provide support which will enable primary caregivers to continue to provide community based residential care.
2. To provide short-term alternative care which will be minimally disruptive to the individual's ongoing lifestyle and in the least restrictive environment.

DESCRIPTION**ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

The primary residential caregivers who are eligible for respite include:

- the individual's natural family; and
- Home Share providers.

Individuals residing in agency-operated Residential Care Facilities are not eligible for Respite. Respite can be provided by agency-operated Residential Care Facilities for out-of-home respite for individuals residing in other living situations as described above.

OPTIONS

Respite may be provided via a variety of arrangements suited to individual needs, namely:

1. an assortment of settings including, but not restricted to, the following:
 - the home of the individual with a mental disability
 - the home of the respite provider
 - some other location appropriate to the needs and wishes of the person with a mental disability (e.g. movie)
 - a camp or recreation/leisure program.
2. a Residential Care Facility where:
 - the resource is suitable to meet the needs of the individual
 - care and supervision is provided as specified by the Community Service Worker
 - the facility is appropriately licensed for the number of individuals which can be physically accommodated in the facility for both permanent and respite care.

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PROCESS

Requests for Respite are assessed by the individual's Community Service Worker. Refer to Appendix A (C100.2.2A) for a sample invoice to be used by external agencies, service providers and suppliers.

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