

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services or the Social Security Administration will assist with payment if eligibility standards are met.

## WHOM SHOULD I CONTACT IF I HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT THE QUALITY OF CARE IN AN ADULT FOSTER CARE HOME?

Contact the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, Bureau of Community and Health Systems, in writing or by phone:

LARA - BCHS  
PO Box 30664  
Lansing, MI 48909  
Toll Free: 866-856-0126

To make an online complaint visit [www.michigan.gov/lara](http://www.michigan.gov/lara).

After your concern is submitted in writing, you will receive a written report of the investigation findings. Your name can remain confidential.

For general information call 866-685-0006.

For a listing of licensed adult foster care homes in Michigan, go to [www.michigan.gov/mdhhs](http://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs).

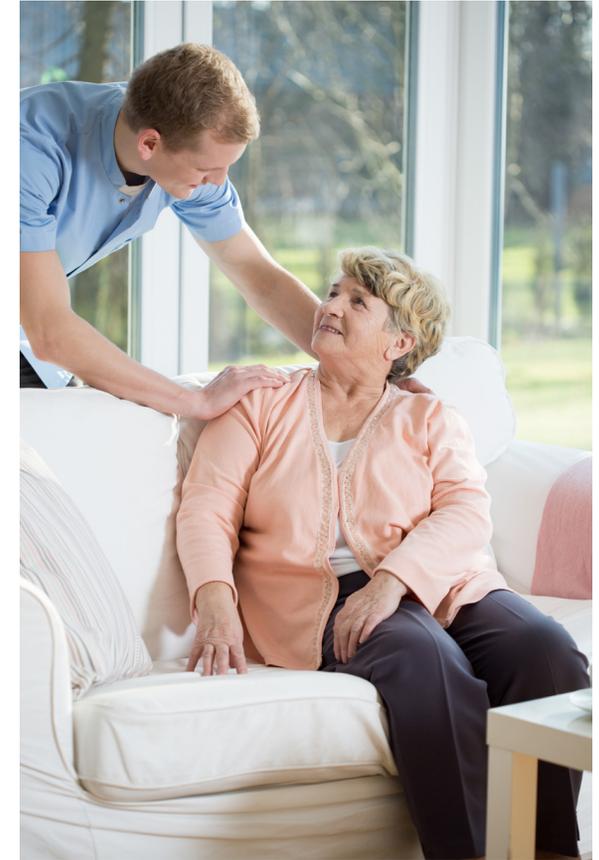
- Click "Adult & Children's Services."
- Click "Adult & Seniors."
- Click "Adult Community Placement."
- Click the blue button labeled "Find a Licensed Facility."



Contact your local Michigan Department of Health and Human Services for more information. For a list of county offices visit [www.michigan.gov/contactMDHHS](http://www.michigan.gov/contactMDHHS)

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# ADULT FOSTER CARE



## WHY DO PEOPLE NEED ADULT FOSTER CARE?

Adult foster care homes offer 24-hour personal care, protection and supervision for individuals who cannot live alone but who do not need continuous nursing care. Other options include homes for the aged or nursing homes. If you are uncertain about the level of care needed, check with your doctor or the Adult Services Unit at your local Michigan Department of Health and Human Services for assistance.

The reasons for needing adult foster care may vary. Persons in need of adult foster care may be:

- Aged
- Developmentally disabled
- Physically impaired
- Emotionally impaired

Care may include assistance with bathing, grooming, dressing, eating, walking, toileting or dispensing of medication.

## HOW DO I CHOOSE AN ADULT FOSTER CARE HOME?

There are many types of adult foster care homes. Before making a decision, we strongly recommend you visit the home, talk with the residents, consider the neighborhood and question the provider.

These programs may help you in the selection process:

- Bureau of Community and Health Systems  
[www.michigan.gov/BCHS](http://www.michigan.gov/BCHS)
- Community Mental Health Board  
[www.michigan.gov/MichiganMentalHealth](http://www.michigan.gov/MichiganMentalHealth)



- Michigan Rehabilitation Services  
[www.michigan.gov/MRS](http://www.michigan.gov/MRS)
- Aging and Adult Services  
[www.michigan.gov/OSA](http://www.michigan.gov/OSA)

When selecting an adult foster care home, it is important that you clearly understand the services to be provided and the cost of those services.

## ARE ADULT FOSTER CARE HOMES REGULATED?

Yes. The Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, Bureau of Community and Health Systems, licenses and regulates adult foster care homes.

## WHAT DOES IT COST TO LIVE IN AN ADULT FOSTER CARE HOME?

Adult foster care homes are private businesses and may set their own rates. Each resident is responsible to pay the homeowner for the cost of his or her care. Once you locate a home that provides the services needed, ask the provider about the rates available.