

RCW 70.128.010 Definitions. Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter.

(1) "Adult family home" means a residential home in which a person or persons provide personal care, special care, room, and board to more than one but not more than six adults who are not related by blood or marriage to the person or persons providing the services. An adult family home may provide services to up to eight adults upon approval from the department under RCW 70.128.066.

(2) "Adult family home licensee" means a provider as defined in this section who does not receive payments from the medicaid and state-funded long-term care programs.

(3) "Adult family home training network" means a nonprofit organization established by the exclusive bargaining representative of adult family homes designated under *RCW 41.56.155 with the capacity to provide training, workforce development, and other services to adult family homes.

(4) "Adults" means persons who have attained the age of eighteen years.

(5) "Capacity" means the maximum number of persons in need of personal or special care permitted in an adult family home at a given time. This number shall include related children or adults in the home and who received special care.

(6) "Department" means the department of social and health services.

(7) "Home" means an adult family home.

(8) "Imminent danger" means serious physical harm to or death of a resident has occurred, or there is a serious threat to resident life, health, or safety.

(9) "Provider" means any person who is licensed under this chapter to operate an adult family home. For the purposes of this section, "person" means any individual, partnership, corporation, association, or limited liability company.

(10) "Resident" means an adult in need of personal or special care in an adult family home who is not related to the provider.

(11) "Resident manager" means a person employed or designated by the provider to manage the adult family home.

(12) "Special care" means care beyond personal care as defined by the department, in rule. [2020 c 220 s 1. Prior: 2019 c 466 s 2; 2007 c 184 s 7; prior: 2001 c 319 s 6; 2001 c 319 s 2; 1995 c 260 s 2; 1989 c 427 s 16.]

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