

Recovery Housing
Certified Alcohol and Drug Free Recovery House (CADFRH) Definition
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CADFRH Definition

Certified Alcohol and Drug Free Recovery Houses refer to the variety of group housing arrangements (e.g., sober houses, recovery homes, recovery residences, clean-and-sober housing, Oxford Houses, three-quarter houses) that are legally incorporated entities providing transitional living situations between residential treatment (or other institutional settings) and independent living in the community. They provide safe recovery environments recognizing multiple pathways to recovery and are ideal for individuals who are not yet ready to live on their own but who are motivated in recovery and can thrive in an environment providing limited structure. Residents pay to live and cohabitate in a family-like setting, sharing common living areas and supporting each other in the recovery process. CADFRHs are part of the recovery-oriented system of care. Even though they do not provide treatment or counseling, they may provide recovery support services.