

Hawaii Department of Health
Adult Mental Health Division (AMHD)
Request for Information (RFI) Response Summary
RFI No. AMHD 420-3-18
Semi-Independent Living
Statewide

A Request for Information for Semi-Independent Living was issued on July 14, 2017. A written response was received from one respondent. Below is a summary of the response received through this process as they relate to the questions from the RFI.

The respondent is currently providing semi-independent living services, but not in the State of Hawaii. The respondent indicated an interest in submitting a proposal for this service contingent on the State's ability to overcome some of their concerns and challenges.

The biggest challenge cited by the respondent would be initiating this service in a new geographical location. Other challenges cited include:

1. Identifying and confirming the consistent level of need for group home services.
2. Securing properties and finding appropriate size property, floorplans that meet zoning and neighborhood association requirements, access to public transportation, and sites located near retail establishments for job opportunities.
3. Recruiting qualified staff.
4. Ensuring financial viability through reimbursement.

Some concerns expressed by the respondent on attending Treatment Planning meetings are location of meetings, availability of reliable transportation, and flexibility on the use of video conferencing.

The respondent did not appear to have any barriers in data reporting.

The AMHD appreciates the participation, interest and observations of the organization that submitted a response to the RFI for Semi-Independent Living. These observations and recommendations will be reviewed and taken into consideration when drafting the Scope of Service for the program. An RFP is planned to be issued for this program.