**RESIDENT RIGHTS**

The following resident rights must be adhered to by all employees. Any staff observing any person violating these Resident Rights must report it to the administrator/home manager immediately and in writing.

1. The right to be free from discrimination on the basis of race, religion, color, national origin, sex, age, handicap, marital status, or source of payment in the provision of services and care.

2. The right to exercise his or her constitutional rights, including the right to vote, the right to practice religion of his or her choice, the right to freedom of movement, and the right of freedom of association.

3. The right to refuse participation in religious practices.

4. The right to write, send, and receive uncensored and unopened mail at his or her own expense.

5. The right of access to a telephone for private communications.

6. The right to voice grievances and present recommendations pertaining to the policies and services of the home without fear of retaliation.

7. The right to associate and have private communications and consultations with his or her own physician, attorney, or any persons of his or her choice.

8. The right to participate in the activities of social, religious, and community groups at his or her own discretion.

9. The right to use the services of advocacy agencies and to attend other community services of choice.

10. The right of access to and use of his or her personal clothing and belongings.

11. The right to have contact with relatives and friends and receive visitors in the home. Exceptions shall be covered in the Resident's Assessment Plan and Person Centered Plan.

12. The right to employ the services of a physician, psychiatrist, or dentist of his or her choice for obtaining medical, psychiatric, or dental services.

13. The right to refuse treatment and services, including the taking of medication, and to be made aware of the consequences of that refusal.

14. The right to request and receive assistance from the responsible agency in relocating to another living situation.

15. The right to be treated with consideration and respect, with due recognition of personal dignity, individuality, and the need for privacy.

16. The right of access to his or her room at his or her own discretion.

17. The records of the resident that are required to be kept by the licensee under the Adult Foster Care Facility Licensing Act or rules shall be confidential and properly safeguarded as required by the Licensing Act, Section 12(3).

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Signature of Resident or Designated Representative Date