

Dignity and Respect

I. Policy:

Every individual receiving services will always be treated with dignity and respect. There will be no restriction or modification to individuals' right to dignity and respect.

II. Standards:

The following rights will be afforded all individuals receiving Home and Community Based Waiver Services:

1. Individuals will be treated with dignity and respect at all times including mealtimes and in the provision of all services and supports, including assistance with Activities of Daily Living (ADLs).
2. Individuals will be assisted with clothing and other personal attire that are age and seasonal appropriate.
3. All communications with individuals, written, verbal and non-verbal, will demonstrate and evidence the values of dignity and respect.
4. The HCBS Compliance Checklist, issued by ADMH-Developmental Disabilities Division in July 2022, will be used in training staff on all rights including providing guidance to staff on how to practice and apply these rights.