

Interagency Partnership Agreement
By and Between

South Dakota Housing Development Authority, Department of Human Services,
Department of Social Services and the Community Support Providers of South Dakota

This Interagency Partnership Agreement (Agreement) is entered into by and between the South Dakota Housing Development Authority (SDHDA), the South Dakota Department of Social Services (DSS), the South Dakota Department of Human Services (DHS) and the Community Support Providers of South Dakota (CSP of SD). This Agreement is being entered into to provide a formal structure for collaboration, and to better position South Dakota to continue its implementation of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS) Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) Settings Final Rule by ensuring that adequate housing and services are available for all citizens of South Dakota, including those with disabilities. In addition this Agreement will act as the formal agreement between all parties participating in US Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Section 811 Project Rental Assistance Demonstration Program (Program) to develop permanent supportive housing for extremely low-income individuals with disabilities.

SDHDA is the statewide housing finance agency administering the Internal Revenue Service's Low Income Housing Tax Credit Program and US Department of Housing and Urban Development's HOME Program and will be the agency administering the Program. DHS administers programs and services for individuals and families with physical and developmental disabilities. DSS administers programs and provides services for behavioral health along with administering the State of South Dakota's Medicaid program.

Purpose of Program. The purpose of the Program is to assist eligible individuals to live independently in permanent supportive housing units in communities across South Dakota by providing the financial rental assistance and services necessary.

Target Population. Individuals assisted with the Program must meet eligibility requirements which include the following:

- Income eligibility – extremely low income which is defined as having income at or below 30 percent of the Area Median Income for the county in which they reside.
- At least one person in the household, who at the time of admission into the Program is at least 18 years of age, but less than 62, who also meets the definition of an individual with a disability as defined in Section 811 of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 8013(k)(2)) including:
- A person who has an intellectual or development disability as defined in Section 102(8) of the Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act (42 U.S.C. 6001(5)), and those individuals with co-occurring conditions of intellectual or developmental disabilities and mental illnesses.

- Individual with a long term disability must be eligible for community-based long term services and supports provided under South Dakota's plan for medical assistance under Title XIX of the Social Security Act or other comparable federal, state or local program.

Methods for Outreach and Referral. The Division of Developmental Disabilities, through its contractual relationship with the nineteen Community Support Providers (CSPs) across the State of South Dakota, will assume the combined roles of outreach, referral, and providers of support services to the eligible client/residents as well as the affordable housing management entities with which SDHDA will have a Rental Assistance Contract. The CSP Service Coordinators/Case Managers will be the hub of the service delivery mechanism, facilitating the provision of direct services including:

Services available to adults with intellectual or developmental disabilities include:

- Family Support 360 Home and Community Based Services Waiver
 - Personal Care
 - Companion Care
 - Respite Care
 - Service Coordination (Case Management)
 - Nutritional supplements
 - Environmental accessibility adaptation
 - Vehicle modifications
 - Specialized medical adaptive equipment and supplies
- CHOICES Home and Community Based Services Waiver
 - Day habilitation
 - Service Coordination (Case Management)
 - Prevocational Services
 - Supported Employment Services
 - Residential services
 - Nursing
 - Medical equipment
 - Therapies not covered by Medicaid

The CSP Service Coordinator/Case Manager will provide services on an indirect basis through appropriate referrals of eligible persons with co-occurring disabilities to the local community mental health centers under contract with the Department of Social Services, or by facilitating other appropriate linkages at the local level for rehabilitation or employment services.

Services available to adults with severe mental illnesses include:

- Community Mental Health Services:
 - Transitional Services
 - Programs of Assertive Community Treatment (IMPACT)
 - Continuous Assistance, Rehabilitation and Education (CARE) Program

- Crisis Intervention
- Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH) Program
- Psychiatric/Medication Management
- Emergency Services
- Outpatient Mental Health Services

SDHDA will only approve Program assistance for multifamily housing units that are located within the same community or within the service area of the service providers, unless arrangements are made to ensure adequate services can be provided to that community.

As multifamily housing units are approved, the listing of available units, their location and contact information will be emailed to DHS and DSS for disbursement to the service providers. A listing of multifamily housing developments participating in the Program along with the contact information will be maintained on SDHDA's website, www.sdhda.org. DHS, DSS, and service providers will be able to contact SDHDA directly to determine if housing units are available in specific geographic areas.

SDHDA, DHS and DSS will each designate a contact person for this Program from their respective agency. Name and contact information will be made available publically, including pertinent websites, to ensure public awareness and access. It is anticipated that referrals for this Program, for both multifamily housing owners and individuals, will be made to SDHDA, by DHS, DSS, service providers, Public Housing Authorities, advocacy groups, or multifamily property owners, along with other interested parties.

Available Services. In order to protect the interest of both individuals and owners of multifamily housing, DHS and the CSPs across the state commit to providing appropriate community-based long-term services and supports when requested by the individuals and contingent upon the individuals' eligibility and the department's availability of funding. However, an individual's participation in supportive services is voluntary and cannot be required as a condition of tenancy. Services will be provided to individuals by the following methods: Service providers which are certified and contracted by DHS and DSS to provide the services listed above.

SDHDA will monitor the monthly rental assistance being utilized to ensure full program utilization. In addition, SHDHA will continue to monitor the physical condition of the property by completion of physical inspections according to the standards of the particular funding source, to ensure the housing units remain decent, safe and sanitary. In addition, this includes a review of development tenant files to ensure Program compliance.

Commitment to Services. SDHDA, DHS and DSS agree that providing permanent affordable housing with services is essential for a healthy community. All agencies agree to work in conjunction with each other to address the housing and service needs for individuals and families with disabilities.

Point of Contact. Each agency will appoint at least one person to remain the point of contact for this Program. All agencies agree to notify others with any changes in their point of contact or the appointed designee. Contact information for each agency follows:

South Dakota Housing Development Authority:

Vona Johnson, Director of Rental Housing Management
SDHDA, 3060 East Elizabeth Street, Pierre, SD 57501
Vona@sdhda.org; phone 605-773-4567, fax 605-773-5154

Department of Human Services:

Dan Lusk, Director, Division of Developmental Disabilities
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Department of Social Services:

Amy Iversen-Pollreisz, Deputy Secretary
Department of Social Services, 700 Governor's Drive, Pierre, SD 57501
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Community Support Providers of South Dakota:

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This Agreement shall become effective with the award of Program funding and shall remain in place until such time the Program shall cease to exist. The Agreement is subject to change only with the acknowledgment and acceptance by the respective agencies.

South Dakota Housing Development Authority

BY: Mark Hansens
ITS: Executive Director

DATE: 5/12/2014

Department of Human Services

BY: Alma Beaman
ITS: DHS Secretary

DATE: 5-12-14

Department of Social Services

BY: Lynne A. Valenti
ITS: DSS Secretary

DATE: 5/12/14

Community Support Providers of South Dakota

BY: Edent Bohm
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DATE: April 25, 2014

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