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DAIL Housing Safety and Accessibility Review

Shared Bedroom

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The occurrence of a shared bedroom is a very rare occurrence and is only allowable when it is a participant's request. The agency should present the information and situation to DAIL for review and approval before two individuals share a bedroom space.

HCBS Rules of person-centeredness require the opportunity for privacy, the person having the sense and understanding that this is their space, they have the ability to personalize it, and that they can control who comes in and out of their private space. The HCBS Rules do not prohibit more than one person sharing a private space in a bedroom, however, the individuals need to feel like they have ownership of their part of the room.

If the situation does arise, the agency should ensure the room is big enough to allow for privacy and each person has their own space, that they, their guardians, and members of their respective support teams feel they are compatible and agree to sharing the room.