

**9570.2100 GENERAL OBJECTIVES OF PROGRAM.**

Subpart 1. **Aims.** At least these essential aims shall be incorporated in the general philosophy and subsequent policies of the program:

- A. to promote the greatest degree of independence possible for each resident;
- B. to enhance the ability of each resident to cope with the resident's environment;
- C. to maximize and foster the human qualities of each resident; and

D. to provide a homelike atmosphere to the greatest possible extent, in which the resident is recognized as an individual whose personal interests are maintained and developed and whose personal dignity is respected and safeguarded.

Subp. 2. **Culturally normal behavior.** The residential program shall attempt to elicit and maintain behavior that is as culturally normative as possible, taking into account local and subcultural differences.

Subp. 3. **Location of program.** The residential program should be located within and conveniently accessible to the population served, so as to have access to necessary generic community services.

Subp. 4. **Sharing with the community.** The residential program and the surrounding community should be encouraged to share their services and resources on a reciprocal basis.

Subp. 5. **Use of community services.** Residents should be integrated to the greatest possible extent with the general population. To this end, generic and specialized community services, rather than program services, should be used extensively or, if possible, completely.

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