

### WHAT IS LEAP?

Leveraging Equal Access Program (LEAP) is a non-profit Adult Family Home Agency (AFHA). LEAP is vendorized through California's Regional Centers and the Department of Developmental Services to provide oversight, training, direct support and advocacy for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities living in private family homes.

Each family home and home provider is independently contracted, trained and certified through LEAP before working with individuals. Up to two consumers may reside in a family home. Home providers are trained and monitored by LEAP's professional staff. Individuals and home providers receive continuous support through our multidisciplinary team.

### The adult family home setting protects and encourages dignity, choices and personal rights.

The individual's needs and wants are addressed in a manner that supports and enables them to maximize abilities promoting function at the highest possible level.

There are no curfews, no staff and no cafeteria style menus. House rules, customs, and expectations from all parties are discussed and agreed upon before individuals move into the family home. Individuals are encouraged to maintain relationships with family, friends and community as they adjust to the new home.

**Tax free, monthly financial compensation is based on the needs of the individual served and their level of care or independence.**

### THE INDIVIDUAL'S CHOICE:

LEAP must be chosen by individual and the home provider. Assistance is provided in a home setting and the consumer determines the level of assistance or independence afforded them. In our certified homes, personal and medical assistance are provided in a manner promoting maximum independence and designed to enhance quality of life. Individuals may decide to refuse the care and service offered if it conflicts with their wishes. LEAP pushes to deliver excellent care and services through promoting real relationships.

**LEAP is seeking qualified and dedicated family home providers to assist with these individuals. The adult family home provider and their home must meet certain standards to obtain a LEAP Home Certification.**

### All family home providers and primary caregivers must:

- ✓ Pass a background check
- ✓ Complete initial and ongoing provider training
- ✓ Be physically and mentally able to assist with care and advocacy
- ✓ Live in a home that meets all structural and safety requirements

### WHY CHOOSE LEVERAGING EQUAL ACCESS PROGRAM?

- ✓ Professionalism and respect at all times
- ✓ Extensive support for our home providers
- ✓ Commitment to our individual's choices
- ✓ Unparalleled, relevant, up to date trainings
- ✓ Experience and knowledge of systems
- ✓ Advisory board of individuals and providers
- ✓ Transparency
- ✓ Community and professional partnerships
- ✓ Evidence & strengths based practices
- ✓ Ongoing data collection and synthesis



**HOME PROVIDERS  
RECEIVE  
SIGNIFICANT  
TAX FREE  
COMPENSATION**



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#### YOU CAN HELP

Throughout California and nationwide, persons with developmental disabilities have a long history of institutionalization, victimization, restriction of personal rights, and having others make decisions for them. We are committed to resurrecting personal rights and utilizing the individual's strengths to actualize the life decisions our consumers want. Join the network of LEAP Family Home providers and home by home, let's change the world.

#### SOCIAL EQUITY

LEAP promotes equal access to livelihood, education, respect, dignity, and resources; full participation in the socio-cultural and political life of the community; and self-determination in meeting fundamental needs.

#### INDEPENDENCE

LEAP advocates for all individuals we serve to have the right to make their own choices, the right to say no and the right to direct their own lives based on their preferences. We support the freedom to decide, self-rule, use self-determination and autonomy.

#### INCLUSION

LEAP home providers promote involvement in activities, developing and maintaining relationships, and having a sense of belonging. Inclusion is influenced by the contexts of experiences including living accommodations, transportation options, personal abilities, skills, and resources.

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