

Limited Mental Health License

For Assisted Living Facilities

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A New Online Course for Assisted Living Facilities in Florida that have or are applying for a Limited Mental Health License.

This course is authorized by the Florida Department of Children and Families, Office of Substance Abuse and Mental Health, and offered by FADAA, a subsidiary of the Florida Behavioral Health Association. It is designed to help address the needs of persons with mental health conditions who live in assisted living facilities (ALFs). The course meets the statutory requirements for six (6) hours of initial training for all direct service staff members in ALFs that have a Limited Mental Health License (s. 429.075, F.S.). Its overarching purpose is to help staff to better understand and respond to the unique challenges of residents who have mental health conditions.

The **free online course** is self-paced, so the learner can take it anytime, anywhere. Each of the seven modules is fully narrated and interactive. The learner can come and go in each module as their time allows, and pick up where they left off. A Certificate of Completion is awarded after the learner successfully passes the exam at the end of each module.

Registration is Easy.

- 1 Create a learner account on the FADAA Online Education Platform at FloridaLearner.org
- 2 Confirm your account through a link sent to your email address.
- 3 Search for Limited Mental Health License for Assisted Living Facilities.
- 4 Log into the course using your self-designated username and password.
- 5 Self-enroll in the course – There is no charge for this course.



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UPON COMPLETION – 6 hours of continuing education is provided through:

- Florida Certification Board Provider #A-001
- Florida Board of Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy and Mental Health Counseling Provider #50-676
- Florida Board of Nursing Provider #50-676

Course Objectives



Identify and discuss the Florida statutes, administrative rules, and state agencies that pertain to the Limited Mental Health License for ALFs.



Detail the roles and responsibilities of ALF staff members in understanding the needs of mental health residents.



Present ethical issues related to how ALF staff manage the care for mental health residents and protect their rights.



Introduce the most common mental health conditions, how they are diagnosed, their symptoms, and how they are treated.



Explore the role of medications in managing mental health conditions and the regulatory requirements for medication practices in ALFs.



Describe the range of services, strategies, and approaches when caring for ALF residents with mental health conditions.



Enhance knowledge about the process of recovery and the recovery supports that are available for mental health conditions.



Elaborate on methods that facilitate behavior management through specific observation skills, and the use of techniques to reward desired behaviors and reduce problem behaviors.



Explore the responsibilities of ALF staff in crisis situations and skills needed to prevent, de-escalate and intervene in a crisis.



Specify community resources and laws that can facilitate appropriate responses when crisis situations need outside assistance.

Course Structure

Module 1: Mental Health Residents and the Intent of Limited Mental Health License

Module 2: Legal and Ethical Issues

Module 3: Mental Health Conditions (Part 1)

Module 4: Mental Health Conditions (Part 2)

Module 5: Recovery Principles and Systems of Care

Module 6: Behavior Management

Module 7: Crisis Situations

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