

**Rule No. 560-X-52-.04 Characteristics of Persons Requiring ICF/~~IID~~MR Care**

(1) Generally, persons eligible for the level of care provided in an ICF/~~IID~~MR are those persons who need such level of care because the severe, chronic nature of their mental impairment results in substantial functional limitations in three or more of the following areas of life activity:

- Self Care
- Receptive and expressive language
- Learning
- Self-direction
- Capacity for independent living
- Mobility

(2) Services provided in an ~~I~~ntermediate ~~C~~are ~~F~~acility for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities ~~the mentally retarded~~ in Alabama are those services that provide a setting appropriate for a functionally individual with intellectual disabilities ~~mentally retarded person~~ in the least restrictive productive environment currently available. Determination regarding eligibility for ICF/~~IID~~MR care is made by a Qualified Intellectual Disabilities ~~Mental Retardation~~ Professional (Q~~ID~~MRP). A Q~~ID~~MRP is an individual possessing, at minimum, those qualifications in 42 C.F.R. Section 442.401. Recommended continued stay is made by an interdisciplinary team of a nurse, social worker, and a member of appropriate related discipline, usually a psychologist, and certified by a Q~~ID~~MRP and a physician.

(3) ICF/~~ID~~MR care includes those services that address the functional deficiencies of the beneficiaries and that require the skills of a Q~~ID~~MRP to either provide directly or supervise others in the provision of services needed for the beneficiary to experience personal hygiene, participate in daily living activities appropriate to his functioning level, take medication under appropriate supervision (if needed), receive therapy, receive training toward more independent functioning, and experience stabilization as a result of being in the least restrictive, productive environment in which he or she can continue his/her individual developmental process.

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