DIFFERENCES BETWEEN ALF AND AFCH PROGRAMS



	ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES	ADULT FAMILY CARE HOMES
Florida Statutes Chapter 408, Part II, F.S.	Yes	Yes
Florida Statues Chapter 429 Part I	Yes	n/a
Florida Statues Chapter 429 Part II	N/A	Yes
Florida Administrative Code 59A-36	Yes	N/A
Florida Administrative Code 59A-37	N/A	Yes
Florida Administrative Code 59A-35, F.A.C.	Yes	Yes
Types of Licenses Available	There are four license types in ALFs: 1. Standard 2. Extended Congregate Care 3. Limited Mental Health 4. Limited Nursing Services	No designation of license type category.
Designation of Beds	Yes	No
Liability Insurance Required	Yes	No (Homeowner or Rental Insurance recommended.)
Licensure Name: Can be licensed in the name of a corporation, individual, partnership, firm, association, or a governmental entity.	Yes	No, the license is only issued in the name of the individual applying for the license.
Statutory Limited On Bed Capacity	No	Yes, statutorily there can never be any more than a 5-bed capacity.
Administrators	Yes	No, they are "Providers."
A Change Of Ownership May Occur	Yes	No, this is prohibited.
Notice Of Surveys Prior To Arrival	Only the initial survey is announced.	All Surveys Announced.
Licensee Must Live In The Facility	No	Yes

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Relief Person Required	No	Yes
The Administrator must take core training (a minimum of 26 hours) and pass the core competency test.	Yes	No, The Provider is required to take 12 hours of training before a resident is admitted to the home. The Provider must receive 3-hour of CEUs annually.
Staff Required	Direct care staff, dining staff, housekeepers, maintenance workers, receptionist, activities person, and other list of workers, etc.	Relief person, adult household members and maybe one staff or no staff.
Required Staffing Pattern	Yes	No
Menus Required	Yes	No
Medication Training Is Required	Yes, for direct care workers that are providing assistance with self-administration of medication.	No
Resident Contracts	Required	A residency agreement is required.
Adverse Incidents	Must submit 1- and 15-day	Adverse incident reporting is not required.
Elopement Drills	Must conduct a minimum of 2 elopement drills annually	Not required.

