

	INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF CHILD SERVICES CHILD WELFARE POLICY	
	Chapter 11: Older Youth Services Section 25: Collaborative Care (CC) Host Homes	
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POLICY OVERVIEW

A Collaborative Care (CC) Host Home is a place where youth in CC can live. This type of placement is used when the youth or their team finds a trusted adult that the youth agrees to live with.

POLICY STATEMENT

The Indiana Department of Child Services (DCS) offers Host Homes for youth in CC who qualify.

- A Host Home is not required to be licensed
- The Host Home will be monitored by the Older Youth Case Manager (OYCM)
- Host Home adults should be at least 18 years of age.

LEGAL REFERENCES

- [IC 31-28-5.8-3: "Host home"](#)
- [IC 31-28-5.8-5: Eligibility; petitions](#)