

**441—111.1(249) Definitions.**

*“Department”* means the Iowa department of human services.

*“Eligible adult”* means a person 18 years of age or older who meets the eligibility requirements for services or is a recipient of protective services, and who is considering or needs a living arrangement in a family-life home.

*“Encouragement to share in the interests and activities of the household”* means that the family members welcome and encourage the person to participate with them in their general family conversations and in their social, recreational, educational, and religious activities; that they invite and encourage use of the general facilities of their home; and they expect the person to care for assigned living quarters and participate within reason in the chores of the household.

*“Essentially capable of self-care”* means the person is ambulatory or can move from place to place; can manage the activities of daily living including personal hygiene and grooming, toileting, dressing and undressing, feeding, and medicating; and can attend to the care of personal property adequately with minimal support or occasional assistance.

*“Family”* means a person or persons, either related or unrelated to the client, who constitute the members of the household and are related to one another by kinship of blood, marriage, or adoption.

*“Family-life home”* means a private household offering a protective social living arrangement for one or two eligible adults who are not able or willing to adequately maintain themselves in an independent living arrangement, but who are essentially capable of physical self-care. In this living arrangement, the family provides the client room, board, laundry, encouragement to share in the interests and activities of the household, and opportunities for participation in the social, cultural, educational, religious, and other activities of the community.

*“Not able or willing to adequately maintain themselves in an independent living arrangement”* means that the person requires some assistance, encouragement, or social stimulation for adequate self-care or to maintain physical or mental health or personal safety.

*“Private household”* means a dwelling unit occupied exclusively by a family and furnished by and belonging to them by reason of ownership, rental, or by a contract for purchase of life estate.