

Dear Applicant for Sober Living Environment Registration,

Thank you for your interest in Sober Living Registration. The California Consortium of Addiction Programs and Professionals, (CCAPP) endorses the concept of sober living, and the establishment of Sober Living Environments (SLE). It has been our experience that a majority of the persons leaving our recovery programs do not have access to affordable sober living accommodations. We have also learned through our experiences that the longer a person is exposed to and part of a sober community; the better his or her chances are for long time recovery. Unfortunately, not all facilities holding themselves out to be Sober Living Homes consider the comfort and welfare of the recipient as the most important ingredient.

CCAPP has developed minimum standards for Sober Living Environments. Standards are the first step in asking the industry to regulate itself. The second step is to establish a process whereby programs can be recognized by their peers for meeting the minimum standards.

CCAPP has established a registration process for homes meeting the Sober Living Standards. It is not a certification or accreditation, but rather an acknowledgement that a facility states that it meets the SLE Standards, declares that it will continue to abide by the Standards, and is visited on an annual basis by peers who witness the environment and recognize that the program meets the minimum Standards. The name of the program is then placed in the official Registry, and the program receives a certificate.

We charge a minimal annual fee, which covers the cost of processing the program and paying transportation costs of our peer reviewers. Please complete and submit the attached application. You will be notified of your review date and receive a copy of the Standards and review material.

Sincerely,



Susan B. Blacksher, MSW  
Chief Executive Officer

REGISTRATION APPLICATION  
  
for  
  
SOBER LIVING ENVIRONMENTS

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## INTRODUCTION

In the last few years there has been a proliferation of Sober Living Environments (SLE's) throughout the State. The purpose of a Sober Living Environment is to offer a housing alternative to individuals who are recovering from alcohol and or drug addiction. SLE's offer a supportive non-drinking environment to persons who would otherwise find themselves limited to housing space that is not conducive to recovery. These environments are not subject to licensing by any State agency and are not subject to certification or accreditation. As a result SLE's have not been subject to any established standards. As in any industry, abuses have been identified, and have been associated with the larger movement in some instances.

The California Consortium of Addiction Programs and Professionals (CCAPP) endorses the concept of sober living, and the establishment of Sober Living Environments. It has been our experience that a majority of the persons leaving our recovery programs do not have access to affordable sober living accommodations. We have also learned through our experiences that the longer a person is exposed to and part of a sober community; the better his or her chances are for long time recovery. Many of our programs have established "alumni" houses, resident run housing, graduate houses, etc. We have encouraged our graduates to seek other sober individuals and to live in a sober environment.

We have been concerned about the reported misconduct in some living environments, which have been identified with the sober living movement. We have worked with programs throughout the State, and have been involved with community groups which are trying to reduce the number of abuses. As a result, CCAPP has developed minimum standards for Sober Living Environments. We have circulated these standards in the communities around the State. We have incorporated suggestions from individuals and the Association's Board of Directors has reviewed the final standards. The Standards are available for groups contacting our office that are interested in establishing SLE's. Standards are the first step in asking the industry to regulate itself. The second step is to establish a process whereby programs can be recognized by their peers for meeting the minimum standards.

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**Sober Living Environments Application for Registration**

Name of Program or SLE	
Billing Address	Phone
City	Zip Code
Administrator or Contact Name	Email
SLE Address (if different from billing address)	Fax
City	Zip Code
Administrator or Contact Name (if different from above)	Phone
Web site address: www. _____	
<b>Please attach a copy of your Liability Insurance WITH THIS APPLICATION.</b>	
Description: (Briefly describe your program, i.e.: type of organization, purpose of organization, years in operation)	
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Capacity	Persons Served

Legal Status:  Nonprofit Corp  Proprietary Corp  Partnership  Sole Owner

\$195.00 Annual fee (Non-CCAPP Program Member)\*\*

\$120.00 Annual fee (CCAPP Program Member)\*\*

\$120.00 Annual fee for each additional site

\*\* Prices are subject to change-call for current rate.

### APPLICANT'S STATEMENT

As an applicant or authorized representatives of the applicant organization I/we understand that we are applying for inclusion in the Registry maintained by California Consortium of Addiction Programs and Professionals (CCAPP). Programs included in the Registry must meet all requirements of the Standards for Sober Living Environments as promulgated by CCAPP. Applicants agree to maintain these minimum standards in their registered program at all times and agree to notify CCAPP if the standards are not maintained.

The individual(s) authorized to represent the organization:

_____	_____	_____	_____
Printed name	Title	Printed name	Title

Authorizing Signature(s):

_____	_____	_____	_____
Signature	date	Signature	date

(Office use only)
Application received (date): _____ Visit date set _____ Visit date complete _____
Reviewer(s) _____
Status _____
Comments _____
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California Consortium of Addiction Programs and Professionals (CCAPP)  
**Sober Living Environment (SLE)**  
**Code of Conduct**

As an operator of a Sober Living Environment, I will:

1. Be dedicated to uphold the dignity and worth of all human beings.
2. Provide an alcohol and illicit drug free facility.
3. Operate the SLE within all city, county, state, and federal laws, rules, and regulations.
4. Allow no physical or threatening violence at the SLE.
5. Maintain the SLE consistent with the quality of the neighborhood.
6. Assure that no weapons are allowed on the property of the SLE.
7. Assure that neither management nor staff will become personally involved with a client of the SLE.
8. Maintain good relationships with neighbors and community.
9. Respect the privacy and personal rights of all residents.
10. Maintain a clean and safe SLE for persons in recovery.

In signing this document I agree to operate the SLE in accordance with this Code of Conduct. Failure to operate within this code will subject me to suspension or revocation of my membership in CCAPP's SLE registration program.

**My signature below indicates my agreement to abide by this Code of Conduct.**

Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Name of SLE: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_