

# **Marshall County Group Homes, Inc.**

## **Swimming Guidelines**

1. Ability to swim or inability to swim will be documented and reviewed annually in the Self-Management Assessment.
2. Recipients residing in Marshall County Group Homes, Inc. facilities can participate in water activities if there is a lifeguard on duty. If no lifeguard is on duty the consumer will be allowed to enter the water as long as one or two staff persons are present, who can swim, are available to supervise the consumer and flotation life support devices are available at the site.
3. Staff accompanying Recipients will set boundaries for safety. Recipients will not be allowed past the designated water depth.
4. Recipients should wear Lifesaving vest if they will be swimming in deeper water.
5. Staff accompanying Recipients will be responsible for the proper supervision of any consumer entering the water. At no time will any consumer be left in a swimming area unattended.
6. These guidelines will be reviewed by staff upon employment as part of orientation and annually.