

All persons seeking to become a training provider for licensed care settings in the state of Florida must be approved by The Department of Elder Affairs in accordance with the specific requirements for each facility-type pursuant to Florida Statute 430.5025. Please see criteria for each setting detailed below:

Assisted Living Facility

Rule 58A-5.0194 ADRD Assisted Living Facility Training Provider and Curriculum Approval outlines criteria for ADRD training in Assisted Living Facilities:

1. Individuals who seek to become an ADRD training provider must provide the Department of Elder Affairs with the documentation of the following educational, teaching, or practical experience:

a. A Master's degree from an accredited college or university in a health care, human service, or gerontology related field, **OR**

b. A Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university, **OR** licensure as a registered nurse, **AND:**

(I) Possess at least one year of teaching experience as an educator of caregivers for persons with ADRD, **OR**

(II) Proof of completion of a specialized training program specifically relating to ADRD totaling at least 4 hours, **AND** a minimum of 2 years of practical experience in a program providing direct care to individuals with ADRD, **OR**

(III) Proof of 3 years of practical experience in a program providing direct care to persons with ADRD.

Please note: Teaching experience pertaining to Alzheimer's disease or related disorders may substitute on a year-by-year basis for the required Bachelor's degree.

Adult Day Care/Hospice/Skilled Nursing Facility

Rule 58A-6.016 Adult Day Care Center Training Provider and Curriculum Approval; Rule 59A-38.019 ADRD Hospice Training Provider and Curriculum Approval; and Rule 58A-4.002 Skilled Nursing Home Training Provider and Curriculum Approval outline criteria for ADRD training providers in the above settings:

1. Individuals who seek to become an ADRD training provider must provide the Department of Elder Affairs with the documentation of the following educational, teaching, or practical experience:

a. A Master's degree from an accredited college or university in a health care, human service, or gerontology related field, **OR**

b. a Bachelor's degree in a health-care, human service, or gerontology-related field from an accredited college or university, **OR** holds a license as a registered nurse; **AND:**

(I) Possess at least one year of teaching or training experience as an educator of caregivers for persons with ADRD, **OR**

(II) Have one year of practical experience in a program providing care to persons with ADRD, **OR**

(III) Have completed a specialized training program in ADRD from a university or an accredited health care or human service or gerontology continuing education provider totaling at least 4 hours.

Please note: Teaching experience or training as an educator of caregivers for persons with Alzheimer's Disease or Related Disorders may be substituted on a year-by-year basis for the required Bachelor's degree.

Home Health Agency

Rule 58A-8.002 ADRD Home Health Training Provider and Curriculum Approval outlines criteria for ADRD training in home health care settings:

1. Individuals who seek to become an ADRD training provider must provide the Department of Elder Affairs with the documentation of the following educational, teaching, or practical experience:

a. A Master's degree from an accredited college or university in a subject related to the content of this training program, **OR**

b. Bachelor's degree in a health-care, human service, or gerontology-related field from an accredited college or university, **OR** holds a license as a registered nurse;
AND:

(I) Possess one year of teaching experience as an educator of caregivers for persons with ADRD, **OR**

(II) Have one year of clinical experience providing direct personal health care services to persons with ADRD, **OR**

(III) Have completed a specialized training program in ADRD from a university or an accredited health care, human service, or gerontology continuing education provider totaling at least 4 hours.

Please note: years of teaching experience related to the subject matter of this training program may substitute on a year-by-year basis for the required Bachelor's degree.