
 <p>State of Connecticut Department of Correction</p> <p><b>ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTIVE</b></p>	Directive Number 8.16	Effective Date 3/16/2026	Page 1 of 1
	Supersedes Nursing Home Release, 11/25/2013		
Approved By   Commissioner Angel Quiros	Title  Nursing Home Release		

1. **Policy.** Inmates selected for placement shall be based on the discretionary authority of the Commissioner of Correction in consultation with the Chief Medical Officer or designee in accordance with the Connecticut General Statutes and the provisions set forth in this policy.
2. **Authority and Reference.**
  - a. Connecticut General Statutes, Sections 17b-372a, 18-81, 18-86c, 18-87a through 18-87f and 53a-54b.
  - b. Public Act 12-1, Section 104; June 12 Special Session, 2012.
  - c. Administrative Directive 9.2, Inmate Classification.
3. **Definitions and Acronyms.** For the purposes stated herein, the following definitions and acronyms apply:
  - a. **Nursing Home.** A licensed nursing home available for inmates who are suffering from a terminal condition, disease or syndrome, or is so debilitated or incapacitated by a terminal condition, disease or syndrome as to (1) require continuous palliative or end-of-life care, or (2) be physically incapable of presenting a danger to society.
4. **General Provision and Eligibility.** An inmate may be classified for release to an authorized private nursing home at the discretion of the Unit Administrator by authority of the Commissioner in consultation with the Chief Medical Officer or designee with the exception of the following:
  - a. An inmate convicted of a capital felony under the provisions of section 53a-54b of the general statutes in effect prior to April 25, 2012, or;
  - b. An inmate convicted of murder with special circumstances under the provisions of section 53a-54b of the general statutes in effect on or after April 25, 2012.
5. **Assessment.** No inmate shall be released to a nursing home unless a medical assessment has been completed, reviewed and approved by the DOC Chief Medical Officer or designee. The inmate must be reviewed and diagnosed as meeting the nursing home criteria. Upon completion of the assessment, the DOC Chief Medical Officer or designee shall complete CN 81601, Nursing Home Release Authorization Form attesting to the inmate's eligibility for release to a licensed community-based nursing home.
6. **Supervision.** An inmate shall be supervised by Parole and Community Services while classified to Nursing Home Release. Parole and Community Services shall establish conditions for Nursing Home Release in consultation with nursing home staff. As a condition of release, the Chief Medical Officer or designee may conduct periodic medical review and diagnosis of the inmate during such release. If the Chief Medical Officer or designee determines that the inmate no longer meets the criteria for Nursing Home Release, the inmate shall be returned to the custody of the Commissioner of Correction.
7. **Reclassification from Nursing Home Release.** If, for any reason, a person released to the nursing home no longer meets nursing home eligibility criteria or for any other reason even for reasons over which a person has no control, he may be returned to the custody of the Commissioner for a risk level reclassification in accordance with A.D. 9.2, Offender Classification.
8. **Forms and Attachments.** The following forms are applicable to this Administrative Directive and shall be utilized for its intended function.
  - a. CN 81601. Nursing Home Release Authorization Form
9. **Exceptions.** Any exceptions to the procedures in this Administrative Directive shall require prior written approval from the Commissioner.