

ORANGE COUNTY SOBER LIVING COALITION

FIELD ORGANIZING OFFICE

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COALITION MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

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Do not mail application. Call Patricia at the above number after you complete the application page and all the other coalition membership requirements. Remember – you must have everything completed and ready before an inspector is assigned.

Coalition membership **demonstrates** that your house is healthy, safe, well managed and ethical. The **Orange County Coalition is a trade association for quality houses**. Once you have met all the membership requirements, your house will be placed on the Sober Living Network referral services and a membership certificate will be issued. The following are the membership requirements.

1. Complete the membership application and review the membership requirements. Be sure you have
 - A copy of your Sober Living Network Training Certificate.
 - A signed copy of the Code of Ethics.
 - The endorsement page of your liability insurance coverage. \$500,000 minimum.
 - A copy of brochure (information sheet), resident agreement, rules and policies for review.
2. Enclose the \$100 application fee payable to the Orange County Sober Living Coalition. Add \$50 for each additional location operated by you or your organization.
3. Prepare your house for inspection by reviewing the Pre-Inspection Instructions and Inspection Check List. Preparation is essential to avoid a follow up visit.
4. A two person Peer Review Team will contact you for an appointment to visit your house.
5. The Peer review Team will send the inspection results to the Field Organizing Office.
6. Attend Coalition meetings and events.

Sober living houses do not provide services that meet the State Department Alcohol and Drug Programs' (ADP) alcohol & drug facility licensing requirements as stated in Chapter 5, Title 9, California Code of Regulations, Subchapter 1. Purpose and Definitions. The following are relevant excerpts from current State law:

"... no person ... shall operate a facility which provides 24hour nonmedical, residential, alcoholism or drug abuse recovery or treatment services to adults without first obtaining a license from the Department of Alcohol & Drug Programs (ADP). (CA Code of Regulations §10505)

"Alcoholism or Drug Abuse Recovery or Treatment Service" means a service which is designed to promote treatment and maintain recovery from alcohol and drug problems which includes one or more of the following: detoxification, group sessions, individual sessions, educational sessions, and/or alcoholism or drug abuse recovery or treatment planning. (CCR §10501 (5))