

# RIVERSIDE COUNTY SOBER LIVING COALITION

*A Fiscal Sponsee of the Sober Living Network*

## COALITION MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

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Internet Referral Listings at <http://www.soberhousing.net>

Six day a week sober living referral service 1-800-799-2084

**Do not mail.** Call Randy Reissner at (909) 936-3212 for an appointment **ONLY** after you complete the training, application, and other member Requirements. If you don't pass inspection you will be required to pay a **\$25.00 Re-inspection fee, each time the inspector has to come out.**

Coalition membership **demonstrates** that your sober living home is healthy, safe, well managed and ethical. The **Riverside County Coalition is a membership association for quality homes.** Once all membership requirements have been met you will be accepted as a full member of the Coalition. Your home will be placed on the Quality Sober Living Home Referral 800 number, and provided with a listing on the Approved Housing referral pages on the Sober Living Network website. An Approved Certification will be made available for pick up at your next coalition meeting.

### **These are the membership requirements:**

1. Complete the membership application and review the membership requirements. Complete the application with the following attachments.
  - **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.**
2. Prepare the **\$200 application fee payable to the Riverside County Sober Living Coalition.** Add \$100 for each additional location operated by you or your organization.
3. Prepare your home for inspection by reviewing the Pre-Inspection Instructions and Inspection Check List. Preparation is essential to avoid a follow up visit. (You will be charged \$25 for each re-inspection.)
4. Call the inspector to set up an appointment for inspection.
5. The inspector will prepare a summary sheet with comments for any improvements.
6. While your membership is being processed, (this may take 30 – 60 days) or longer if you are not prepared. Attend all monthly coalition meetings and events. You will be removed if you miss 3 consecutive meetings or 4 total per calendar year and required to start the application process over.

Sober living homes do not provide services covered under the State Department of 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 24-hour 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))*