POLICY TITLE	FAMILY (AFC) HOME PET POLICY
POLICY NUMBER	
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AUTHORIZED BY:	

I. POLICY STATEMENT

It is the policy of XXX (AFC NAME) that pets may be allowed if there is proper care and oversight and if everyone living at the home both wants the pet and suffers no physical discomfort due to its presence.

II. PURPOSE

To establish guidelines keeping pets in AFC Family homes.

III. DEFINITIONS:

Rules and Regulations: The rules and regulations regarding animal ownership for the city, county, and state in which the animal will reside.

Vaccinations: A vaccine given to produce immunity to an infectious disease.

IV. APPLICABILITY AND RESPONSIBILITY

- A. This policy applies to all staff and residents.
- B. Pets belonging to staff are allowed in the home only for the enjoyment of the people living there, and not for the convenience of staff. When staff wish to bring pets into the home they must secure advance permission from people in the home and the home manager.
- C. No pet that is suspected of being aggressive or destructive to property will be allowed on the premises. Any pet which becomes a threat will be removed from the home.
- D. The pet owner is responsible for veterinarian care and vaccinations, food, and any boarding care.
- E. All pets must have up-to-date shots, and proof of vaccinations must be supplied if requested.
- F. No pet shall be mistreated, either by abuse or neglect.
- G. Residents are not permitted to own pets.

V. MONITORING AND REVIEW

VI. PROCEDURES

VII. REFERENCES