



vita nova
Maternity Community

Applicant Eligibility and Criteria

Intake Criteria

Application process includes: initial phone screen, in-person interview, background check, drug screen, and on-campus interview/tour. Additional documentation may be required.

The following are applicant requirements:

Eligible Applicants:

- Women 19 and older.
- Currently pregnant.
- Single mother with young children (cases reviewed individually).
- Motivated to participate in a 9-12 month program.

We are unable to consider applicants who:

- Are non-ambulatory or unable to independently manage self-care.
- Are a risk to themselves or are in imminent danger from others.
- Have outstanding or active warrants.
- Have active substance use/abuse (drugs and/or alcohol).
- Use nicotine products (e.g., vaping, cigarettes, etc.).

Expectations & Guidelines:

- Follow handbook guidelines and rules of the program.
- Participate in case management services and required Vita Nova Maternity Community curriculum.
- Residents are expected to demonstrate respect toward staff, volunteers, and other residents. Rude behavior, disrespectful comments, profanity, verbal aggression, threats, physical aggression, and bullying will not be tolerated.
- Residents are expected to remain substance-free while participating in the Vita Nova program.
- Residents with a valid driver's license, who own a legally registered and insured vehicle are permitted to drive themselves to work/school and appointments after discussing schedules with staff.
- Residents should only bring necessary clothing and comfort items for themselves, their baby, and their children. There is a maximum of four (4) large totes/bags/suitcases allowed. Residents who are admitted with older children will be allowed two (2) additional bags per child.