



CCO's EFT is a specialized, highly supported, and well-monitored program for adults who have significant developmental disabilities, that is provided within the family home of the host family (similar to foster care). In this residential program one, and in some cases two, persons with developmental disabilities join an Extended Family Teaching Couple or single Extended Family Teacher in the host family's home. The EFTM living arrangements are essentially an extended family living together under one roof. These placements are designed to be long-term.



EFT teachers receive extensive training and monthly observations and evaluations. The EFT teachers also participate in an annual certification evaluation process. Clinical supports which include access to a Behavior Analyst for program needs and a Registered Nurse for medical needs are provided to each EFT. In addition, other services and supports, including respite relief, are tailored to meet the needs of each extended family and the persons supported. The EFT is expected to provide residential services in accordance with each individual's program and support plan, and meet the requirements of Title 17 Family Home Agency regulations and CCO's Family Teaching Model Certification.

EFT individuals or couples are independent contractors of CCO. Because EFT placements are administrated as independent contracts between each EFT teacher and CCO, there are many standards of review, including business practices and insurance coverage requirements, which must be maintained and reviewed externally by CCO to insure positive outcomes. The independent contractor strategy is a requirement for receiving tax-exempt payment made possible by federal law.