Lockable Door by the Individual
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Can I choose to have a lockable door?
Yes. The new federal rule says that you can have privacy in your own bedroom or living unit. Your providers need to supply a lock for your bedroom or living unit. Only the provider and staff that need to will have keys. Your person-centered plan will help you and your circle of supports decide who will have keys.

Why is this important to me?
If you live in a provider-owned, controlled, or operated residential setting, your bedroom or living unit should have a door that you can lock. You may choose not to have a lock or choose to not use the lock on your bedroom or living unit door.

Door locks must:
- Be single action. This means the door must unlock when you turn the handle or move the lever to leave.
- Be in compliance with state and county codes.
- Meet all applicable state rules and regulations.
- Meet safety standards.
- Allow for easy exit from your unit.
- Be provided by the provider.

There may be times that your assessed needs provide reasons to consider some limits to locks on doors. Limitations will not be used without your (or your authorized representative’s) informed consent. Limitations will only be used when there is a health or safety risk and shall be documented in your person-centered plan.

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