

Residential Institutions for Children in Nevada

Children in Nevada may reside away from their families in a variety of residential institutions including emergency shelters, childcare institutions, foster homes, psychiatric hospitals, substance abuse treatment facilities, intermediate care facilities, boarding schools, etc. These entities may or may not be licensed by a government agency. They may also be SAPTA-certified to provide substance abuse treatment services.

A license and a certification are different credentials. Licensure addresses the entire scope of the care provided while certification primarily addresses one aspect of the care provided. Licensure indicates that the facility meets minimum regulatory standards for the population it is licensed to serve whereas certification indicates that one aspect of the program meets standards. A license indicates that a wide array of program services has been examined (daily menu, sleeping accommodations, staff-to-child ratio, appropriateness of program, etc.) Certification attests to the adequacy of one program area, such as the substance abuse treatment program. While licensing and certification may overlap certain aspects of the program, licensing is the more comprehensive credential.

The following entities license residential institutions for children in the State of Nevada. More information regarding licensure can be found on the Health Division's website, under the Bureau of Health Care Quality and Compliance.

- **HCQC -- Bureau of Health Care Quality and Compliance (HCQC) of the State Health Division**

- 4220 S. Maryland Pkwy. Ste. 810, Bldg. D
Las Vegas, Nevada 89119
(702) 486-6515
- 727 Fairview Drive, Suite E
Carson City, Nevada 89701
(775)684-1030

- **Child Care Licensing,**
(702) 486-0574

- Child Care Licensing
727 Fairview Drive, Suite E
Carson City, Nevada 89701
- 1010 Ruby Vista Drive, Suite 101
Elko, Nevada 89801
(775) 753-1237
- 4180 South Pecos Road, Suite 150
Las Vegas, Nevada 89121
(702) 486-7918

- **Foster home licensing agencies:**

- CCDFS – Clark County Department of Family Services
701K North Pecos
Las Vegas, NV 89101
(702) 486-3822

- **DCFS –Division of Child and Family Services, Rural Region**
Local Offices:
 - DCFS—Carson City (DCFS--CC)
2533 N. Carson Street, Suite 100
Carson City, NV 89706
(775) 684-1930
 - DCFS—Elko (DCFS--E)
1010 Ruby Vista Drive, Suite 101
Elko, NV 89801
(775) 753-1300
 - DCFS—Fallon (DCFS--F)
1735 Kaiser Street
Fallon, NV 89406
(775) 423-8566
 - DCFS—Pahrump (DCFS--P)
1780 E. Basin Avenue, Suite 2
Pahrump, NV 89060
(775) 727-8497
- **WCHSA – Washoe County Human Services Agency**
350 S. Center St
Reno, NV
(775) 337-4470
Mailing Address: PO Box 11130, Reno, NV 89420

Licensing categories and the agencies that license them include the following:

- Alcohol and Drug Treatment Facilities—Licensed by HCQC. Programs may be certified by the Nevada State Health Division Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Agency (SAPTA).
- Child Care Institutions—Licensed by HCQC (Child Care Licensing)
- Foster Homes—Licensed by local public agency which provides child welfare services, specifically.
 - Clark County, including cities –CCDFS
 - DCFS Rural Region
 - Washoe County, including cities—WCHSA
- Intermediate Care Facilities—Licensed by HCQC
- Psychiatric Hospitals—Licensed by HCQC
- Other hospitals and skilled nursing facilities—Licensed by HCQC

Juvenile justice facilities generally are not licensed but are overseen by the local court or in the case of the youth training centers, by the State. In Clark County, County-operated juvenile detention facilities are overseen by the Board of Clark County Commissioners.

Below are the names of residential institutions located in the State (on non-tribal lands) that are *most* likely to house children. Also listed are the facility location, primary purpose of the facility and operator.

Institution Name	Location	Primary Purpose	Operator
Adolescent Treatment Center	Reno	Mental health treatment	DCFS
Aurora Pines Facility	Douglas County	Juvenile detention	Public Partnership— 1 st , 3 rd , 9 th Judicial Districts
Caliente Youth Center (juvenile training school)	Lincoln County	Juvenile detention	DCFS
Child Haven	Las Vegas	Children's shelter	CCDFS
China Springs Youth Camp	Minden	Juvenile detention	Public Partnership— 1 st , 3 rd , 9 th Judicial Districts.
Clark County Juvenile Detention Center	Las Vegas	Juvenile detention	CCDJJS
Desert Willow Treatment Center	Las Vegas	Mental health treatment	
Douglas County Juvenile Detention Center	Stateline	Juvenile detention	Douglas Co JPD
Elko County Juvenile Detention Center	Elko	Juvenile detention	Elko County JPD
Family Foster Homes and Group Foster Homes	Throughout the State	Foster care	Privately operated
Facilities for Intermediate Care	Throughout the State	Intermediate care	Privately operated
Facilities for Intermediate Care of the Mentally Retarded	Throughout the State	Intermediate care	Privately operated
Girls and Boys Town of Nevada	Las Vegas	Residential care	Privately operated
Jan Evans Juvenile Detention Center	Reno	Juvenile detention	Washoe County JPD
Kids Kottage	Reno	Children's shelter	Privately operated under contract to WCDSS
Kids Kottage Modular	Reno	Children's shelter	
Kids Kottage Too	Reno	Children's shelter	
Leighton Hall	Winnemucca	Juvenile detention	Humboldt County JPD
Monte Vista Hospital	Las Vegas	Mental health treatment	Privately operated
Murphy Bernardini Regional Juvenile Justice Center	Carson City	Juvenile detention	Carson City JPD
Nevada Youth Training Center (juvenile training school)	Elko	Juvenile detention	DCFS
NNCAS Treatment Homes	Reno	Residential care	DCFS
Never Give Up	Armagosa Valley	Residential care	Privately operated
Nursing Homes	Throughout the State	Skilled nursing care	Privately operated

Reno Behavioral Health	Reno	Residential care	Privately operated
SNCAS Treatment Homes	Las Vegas	Residential care	DCFS
Spring Mountain Residential Center	Clark County	Juvenile detention	CCJJD
Spring Mountain Treatment Center	Las Vegas	Mental health treatment	Privately operated
Spring Mountain Youth Camp	Clark County	Juvenile detention	Clark County JJSD
Teen Discovery/Vitality Unlimited	Elko	Drug treatment	Privately operated
West Hills Hospital	Reno	Mental Health Treatment	Privately operated
WestCare Nevada	Las Vegas	Drug treatment	Privately operated
WestCare Nevada Inc. – Harris Springs	Mt. Charleston	Drug treatment	Privately operated
Western Nevada Regional Youth Center	Silver Springs	Juvenile detention	Privately operated
Willow Springs	Reno	Mental health treatment	Privately operated