

Contact Us

- To obtain information about Home Caregiver ID Badges
- To schedule an appointment
- To validate a Caregiver ID's Badge
- To report a Caregiver who is working in Palm Beach County without a valid Home Caregiver ID Badge

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www.pbcgov.com/consumer

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BENEFITS

For Vulnerable Adults

The Home Caregiver ID Badge ensures you that your Home Caregiver has undergone a national fingerprint based check, and has not been disqualified from working as a Home Caregiver in Palm Beach County due to certain criminal adjudications.

You can also check the Palm Beach County Consumer Affairs Division website to see if your Home Caregiver has received a Home Caregiver ID Badge:

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For Home Caregivers

With a Home Caregiver ID Badge, you will be working in compliance with the local Palm Beach County Code of Ordinances. In addition to creating **employment opportunities**, having an ID Badge from the Department of Consumer Affairs ensures that you will not be subject to any civil fines as defined in the Code updated March 2019.



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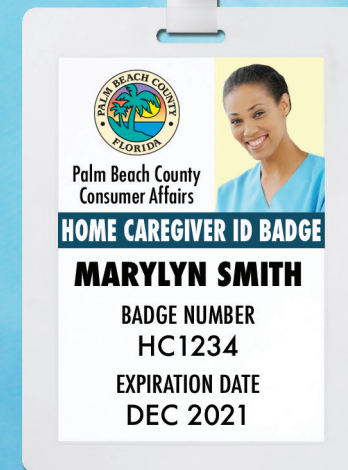
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HOME CAREGIVERS NEED ID BADGE



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Palm Beach County Home Caregiver Ordinance

Working in cooperation with the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office, the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners enacted the Palm Beach County Home Caregiver Ordinance in October of 2015.

The Ordinance requires that applicants for a Home Caregiver ID Badge must undergo a state and national fingerprint background check.

Working without a Home Caregiver ID Badge may result in a \$500.00 fine. Persons can check to see that a Home Caregiver has a valid ID Badge and also find additional information by visiting our website:

www.pbcgov.com/consumer

You Must Obtain A Home Caregiver ID Badge If...

You receive compensation, directly or indirectly, from a **Vulnerable Adult** for assisting that vulnerable adult with Covered Activities.

Vulnerable Adult is defined as a person 18 years of age or older whose ability to perform the normal activities of daily living or to provide for his or her own care or protection is impaired due to a mental, emotional, sensory, long-term physical, or developmental disability or dysfunction, or brain damage, or the infirmities of aging.

Covered Activities

Activities of Daily Living

- Bathing
- Shaving
- Dressing
- Using the Toilet
- Getting In/Out of Bed
- Grooming
- Oral Care
- Eating
- Continence-Related Activities
- From Seated To Standing Position

Instrumental Activities of Daily Living

- Preparing Meals
- Housework
- Managing Finances
- Making & Keeping Doctor's Appointments
- Driving and/or Arranging for Travel (Either by Public Transportation or Private Car)
- Shopping
- Managing Medication

Exemptions

If you hold any of the following licenses and/or certifications, you are not required to obtain a Palm Beach County Home Caregiver ID Badge:

- Registered Nurse (RN)
- Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)
- Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA)
- Clinical Nurse Specialist (CNS)
- Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner (ARNP)
- Physical Therapist (PT)
- Physical Therapist Assistant (PTA)
- Occupational Therapist (OT)
- Occupational Therapist Assistant (OTA)

Charitable and/or Faith Based Organizations

Which are exempt from federal income tax pursuant to 26 U.S.C. § 501(c)(3), and which serve Vulnerable Adults by making referrals of volunteers to provide Covered Activities are not required to obtain a Palm Beach County Home Caregiver ID Badge.

The following family members who are caring for Vulnerable Adults are not required to obtain a Palm Beach County Home Caregiver ID Badge:

- Spouse
- Domestic Partner
- Parents and Step-Parents
- Grandparents and Step-Grandparents
- Children and Step-Children
- Grandchildren and Step-Grandchildren
- Great Grandchildren
- Siblings and Step-Siblings
- Former Spouse

Services Offered on a Non-Recurring Basis

People who receive compensation directly or indirectly from a Vulnerable Adult in exchange for assisting that Vulnerable Adult with one or more Covered Activities on a non-recurring basis, **not to exceed 3 days in a calendar month or 24 days in any calendar year** are not required to obtain a Palm Beach County Home Caregiver ID Badge.

How To Get ID Badge

Go to our website:
www.pbcgov.com/consumer

Under the Home Caregiver tab, click on the APPLY FOR CAREGIVER ID BADGE link.

You Will Need:

- Government issued photo ID
- Completed Application
- Payment via check or credit card (No Cash)

To be processed as agency affiliated, you must be determined by the Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA) as eligible.

Cost

The cost of the ID Badge will depend on whether you work for a Home Caregiver Agency and have been determined by the Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA) as eligible or if you will be working as a private/independent caregiver.

Agency Affiliated Home Caregivers with AHCA verification – \$30.

Independent/Private Home Caregivers who have not submitted fingerprints and been determined as AHCA eligible are required to be fingerprinted – \$100.

National Fingerprint Background Check

If you have already undergone a state and national fingerprint background check through the Florida Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA), you must still apply for a Palm Beach County Home Caregiver ID Badge, but you will not be required to undergo another fingerprint background check.

No Training Needed

The Palm Beach County Home Caregiver ID Badge DOES NOT require education or training.

The Home Caregiver ID Badge ensures **only** that the Home Caregiver who possesses the ID Badge has undergone a national fingerprint based check, and is not disqualified from working as a Home Caregiver because of certain criminal adjudications.