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2.3.3.3 Residential care and other forms of assisted living

Residential care and other forms of assisted living denotes a wide variety of **alternative institutional accommodation**, ranging from traditional multi-group residential facilities and Children's Villages to independent residential groups, children's homes and various types of assisted living settings.

Residential care can have one of three objectives:

- 1. return to the family,
- 2. preparation for placement in another family, or
- 3. a longer-term residential arrangement designed to prepare the recipient for an independent life.