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Kentucky Transitions



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Introductions

Kentucky Transitions

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MFP Program Overview

- 🏠 In 2007, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) awarded funds for 46 states to start *Money Follows the Person* demonstration grant programs (MFP)
- 🏠 There are 47 active MFP programs
- 🏠 Since inception, over 100,000 individuals transitioned using MFP programs

MFP Program Overview

MFP Goals:

- 🏠 Increase the use of home and community-based services (HCBS) and reduce the use of institutionally-based services
- 🏠 Eliminate barriers in state law, state Medicaid plans, and state budgets that restrict the use of Medicaid funds to enable Medicaid-eligible individuals to receive support for appropriate and necessary long-term services and supports in the settings of their choice

MFP Program Overview

MFP Goals:

- 🏠 Strengthen the ability of Medicaid programs to provide HCBS to people who choose to transition out of institutions
- 🏠 Put procedures in place to provide quality assurance and improve HCBS

Kentucky Transitions Program

- 🏠 In 2007, *Kentucky Transitions* was created to administer the MFP program in Kentucky
- 🏠 Designed to assist Medicaid members who reside in inpatient facilities choosing to return to the community
- 🏠 Since 2008, *Kentucky Transitions* has moved over **860** individuals from institutional facilities to community setting
- 🏠 Participants moved to residences in 103 of the 120 counties in Kentucky

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Kentucky Transitions Program

To align with the Home Community-Based Services Waivers HCB, ABI-LTC, and SCL, *Kentucky Transitions* targets the following populations:

- 🏠 Physically disabled - HCB
- 🏠 Elderly (≥ 65 years) - HCB
- 🏠 Persons with a primary diagnosis of Mental Illness – HCB or SCL
- 🏠 Acquired Brain Injuries – HCB or ABI-LTC
- 🏠 Persons with primary diagnosis of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities - SCL

Eligibility

Who is Eligible?

Anyone that is:

- 🏠 Living in an institution/nursing facility for a minimum of 60 days
- 🏠 Meets nursing facility level of care
- 🏠 Medicaid eligible, not with a subsidized Medicaid benefit plan (MAGI, Exparte, etc.)
- 🏠 Able to live in the community with supports and services

Benefits

- 🏠 Full transition planning and support
- 🏠 Continuity of Care- ensures individuals have a waiver slot when completing the 365-days of services
- 🏠 No “Wait List” for waiver services
- 🏠 Pre-Transition expenses for household setup
 - 🏠 Assistance allowing up to \$2,500*
- 🏠 Home modifications assistance for accessibility
 - 🏠 Lesser of \$15K or 10% PVA*

*One-Time use per person (lifetime)

Pre-Transition Allowable Expenses

- 🏠 Housing Security Deposit – includes first month's rent
- 🏠 Household set up includes furnishings, bedding, linens and dishes
- 🏠 Kitchen set up, laundry and cleaning supplies along with necessities
- 🏠 Food stock sufficient for sustenance
- 🏠 Durable medical equipment with a physician's order
- 🏠 Pre-Transition transportation
- 🏠 Pest eradication

Housing Benefits

- 🏠 Networks with housing authorities to locate affordable, accessible, and safe housing options
- 🏠 Assists participants with completion of housing applications and leasing agreements
- 🏠 Complete Housing Quality Standards Inspection on non-subsidized housing units
- 🏠 Home modifications assistance for accessibility - Entry ramps, door widening, bathroom accessibility, etc.

Enrollment

How can someone enroll?

Complete a Pre-Screening Referral and

Submit referral to:

Kentucky.Transitions@ky.gov or

Fax: 502-564-8029



Kentucky Transitions

Pre-Screening Referral

Kentucky Transitions - MFP
Department for Medicaid Services
275 E. Main Street, 6th Fl.
Frankfort, KY 40621
Fax: 502-564-8029
Email: Kentucky.Transitions@ky.gov

Date: _____ Received by: _____
_____ KY Transition Staff

Individual's name/ phone number: _____

Current Facility: _____

(Phone) _____

(Nursing Facility Address) _____

(City,State,County,Zip) _____

Facility Social Worker & Email _____

Admit Date _____ Last Day Medicare was used _____

Natural Supports or Guardian/POA/Family/Family Contact: _____

Name Relationship (phone)

Referral Source _____ Section Q Y ___ N ___

Medicaid ID # _____ SS # _____

Primary Diagnosis (with ICD 10 code): _____

Axis 2 Diagnosis: _____

Other Pertinent Information: _____

If the referral is incomplete, the facility social worker will be contacted to submit a complete form. A referral will not be processed until it is complete.

Please read to the individual/guardian and have individual/guardian sign.

Information was recently submitted on your behalf to Kentucky Transitions because you are interested in returning to the community with the assistance of Kentucky Transitions. Submitting a referral to Kentucky Transitions starts a prescreening process to review if an individual may be eligible for the Kentucky Transitions Program. Only those individuals who meet the prescreening criteria will go on to a formal application. The facility social worker will inform you if you do not meet the requirements to advance to a full review. If you do not agree with the result of the prescreening, you may contact the Kentucky Transitions office.

Signed: _____ Date: _____
Individual / Guardian

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Questions?

