



Money Follows the Person (MFP) and Nursing Home Transition (NHT)

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Money Follows the Person (MFP) Update

- March 2022 CMS announced changes to MFP funding. For states already participating in MFP, reimbursement rate for MFP “supplemental services” will be increased.
- “Supplemental services” are:
 - One-time services to support an MFP participant’s transition to the community
 - Not otherwise allowable under Medicaid
 - Only available for MFP participants
- Opportunity for PA to receive federal reimbursement rate of 100% for state dollars spent
 - Many of these services are already covered via state funded programs

MFP Update (Continued)

- MFP individuals are a subset of total transitions. An MFP qualified individual must:
 - Reside in a qualified long-term care facility for at least 60 days
 - Transition to the community via the Consolidated Waiver, CHC, or the LIFE program

Note:

MFP is not a traditional grant. Money does not go directly to agencies or individuals. Proposals to use any of the funding options must meet MFP criteria, be approved in advance, and initially paid by the state before receiving reimbursement. Proposals are created under the direction and approval of the Deputy Secretaries for each DHS program office before submission to CMS.

MFP Update (Continued)

Under the announcement Supplemental Services may now also include:

- Short-term (up to 6 month) housing assistance to bridge gap between transition and initiation of other federal, state or local housing assistance
- Food security via 30-day pantry stocking
- Payment of certain activities prior to transition, e.g. home modifications, pre-tenancy supports, Community Transition Services (CTS), and case management in excess of 180 days prior to transition
- Housing costs such as application and administrative fees to secure housing

Nursing Home Transition (NHT) Training Services Update

- Request for Quotes (RFQ) for NHT Training Services targeted for release in the upcoming month
- Selected vendor will deliver brief, in-person NHT trainings for staff, residents, and families at each PA nursing facility
- Trainings will provide general information about NHT and Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS), including how to access NHT services