

HELPING YOU RETURN TO THE COMMUNITY

If you are in a nursing facility or “long-stay” hospital and want to move back to the community, a new program called Money Follows the Person (MFP) Demonstration may help you return with the supports and services you need.

- Assistance can include:
- finding accessible and affordable housing
 - moving expenses
 - security deposits
 - home furnishings
 - home modification
 - peer support
 - case management
 - assistive technology devices
 - orientation and mobility services

Am I eligible?

To qualify, you must be

- in a nursing facility, chronic-disease or rehabilitation hospital, including a public health hospital, an intermediate-care facility for people with intellectual disabilities, or certain psychiatric hospitals, for at least 90 consecutive days (excluding Medicare rehabilitation days);
- 18 years old or older and have a disability, or 65 or older;
- a MassHealth member, or meet the financial requirements to qualify; and
- willing to move to an MFP-qualified residence in the community, which may include returning to your home.

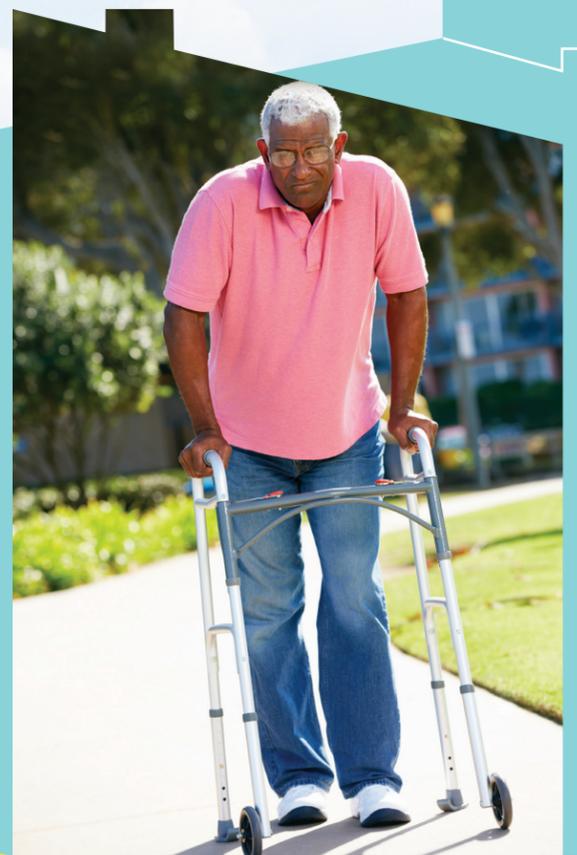
Where can I live?

You can choose from many places to live. This may include:

- returning to your home;
- a home owned or leased by you or a family member;
- an apartment;
- a community-based home setting in which no more than four unrelated people live; or
- an assisted-living apartment with separate living, sleeping, bathing, and cooking areas; lockable doors; and other requirements.

What kind of help can I get?

A designated person, called a transition coordinator, will help you plan and organize the services you will need. You will learn about your choices of available home- and community-based services. You will learn about state agency programs you can use. You also will be linked with a case manager. Your case manager will make sure you get the services you need when you are in the community.



What can Money Follows the Person do for me?

Money Follows the Person offers supports and services that can help you move to your own home or community where you can live more independently.

What kind of services can I get?

Money Follows the Person can help you find a place to live; pay security and utility deposits; and provide moving costs, home modifications, furnishings, dishes, pots, pans, and other household goods. Your transition coordinator will help you get the items, services, and supports needed for your new home. You may also qualify for other services through a Home- and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Waiver.

How do I learn more?

To learn more about the services you can get through Money Follows the Person, call **1-800-841-2900** (TTY: 1-800-497-4648, for people who are deaf, hard of hearing, or speech disabled) or visit www.mass.gov/masshealth/MFP.

