

## **My Place/Money Follows the Person/MFP Louisiana Transition Assistance Program**

My Place Louisiana (My Place) is a CMS- funded program to help states try new ways of delivering Medicaid services. My Place will help people move from a qualified institution into home and community-based living settings, and then follow along for the first year of waiver services to help ensure the transition's success. My Place Transition/QM Coordinators work with Support Coordination and Provider agencies to provide assistance to ensure the health, safety and successful transition of people participating in the program.

My Place has specific eligibility requirements and enrollment is accomplished through a My Place Informed Consent presentation and signatures. Informed Consent can only be administered by trained Supports and Services Center (TSO) staff, Local Governing Entity staff, or My Place/MFP staff.

Support Coordination agency directors are notified of My Place participants' enrollment and then become responsible for notifying My Place of planned meetings before move, as well as meetings, critical incidents, and needs after move. My Place is governed by strict procedures approved and monitored by CMS. Attendance at the CPOC meeting is necessary to follow these procedures.

Below are some snapshots of OCDD My Place assistance that will be available for people participating in the My Place program either before their move or during the demonstration period (365 days post move):

### • **Pre-Move Assistance**

- **Community Living Training & Assistance**—Funding for pre-move activities, transportation, securing housing, identification documents, and needed home items
- **Family Training in Direct Care Responsibilities** - Families who will provide assistance can receive training in their roles and responsibilities
- **Facilitated Family Communication** - Family counseling for caregivers and siblings of individuals with DD moving home from nursing facilities, ICFs/DD, and hospitals
- **Health Care Communication**—Assistance for people who do not speak English
- **Housing Relocation Assistance**—Real Estate agents assigned to find and help secure housing
- **Direct Service Workforce Specialization Training**—email [OCDD.MFP@la.gov](mailto:OCDD.MFP@la.gov) to request specialized training

### • **Post-Move Assistance**

- **My Place Transition Coordinators** - Available for 365 days following the move to work with SC and providers to make the transition successful
- **Post Move visits** -to participants by My Place Transition Coordinators
- **Transition Maintenance** - Funding for post-move activities specifically related to achieving goals or accessing services in the plan of care. Transition Maintenance will only be used when no other resources are available and/or when available resources have failed to address the barrier.
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