

Resident's Acknowledgment Form

RESIDENT'S RIGHTS TO CONTROL THEIR OWN INCOME AND RESOURCES

1. The SLP will support individuals in controlling their own resources and income.
 - a. The SLP offers a Resident Trust account. This account is available to all residents who wish to participate. SLP cannot mandate a resident to use this account.
 - b. The Resident Trust Fund account is an interest-bearing account that is only available to residents and is insured for the safety of the residents.
 - c. If a resident chooses to participate in this account, they can see the office to set it up and sign authorizations.
 - d. Access to the Resident Trust Fund is available Monday-Friday, 8am-4pm (excluding weekends and holidays) at the front office.
 - e. If the resident needs assistance accessing their income or PNA, the SLP will assist as they are able. Some examples of assistance include, but not limited to, answering resident questions, providing clarification and transportation assistance.
2. Representative Payee
 - a. The resident has the right to choose who will be their Representative Payee. The Representative payee can be an organization or a person. Residents are not required to authorize the SLP to become the Representative Payee.
 - b. Resident request SSA or SSI permission for another to manage their benefits.
 - c. The Representative Payee will use benefits for current or future needs of the beneficiary.
 - d. The Representative Payee is required to keep records of expenses. SSA or SSI will request how the funds were used or saved.
 - e. The Representative Payee must be approved by SSA.
3. Personal Needs Allowance (PNA)
 - a. Each Medicaid-eligible resident must have income equal to or greater than the current SSI and must contribute all but \$120 each month to the provider for lodging, meals and services.
 - b. Residents are allowed to keep \$120 per month as their PNA.
 - c. Residents have the right to use their PNA as they wish, which includes (but not limited to) personal cash, shopping needs, entertainment, etc.

- d. The PNA is the same for a single resident or a resident sharing a room.
- e. Additional information regarding the PNA can be found at
<https://hfs.illinois.gov/medicalprograms/slf/residentfactsheet.html>

Resident Signature and Date

Staff Signature and Date