

MFP Award Communication

Public Notice – Illinois awarded Money Follows the Person funding to promote home and community-based services

The Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services (HFS) is pleased to announce a Notice of Award of nearly \$5 million from the federal Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) to conduct planning for a Money Follows the Person (MFP) demonstration program.

Illinois is among five new states and territories to receive planning funds to expand access to home and community-based services (HCBS) through MFP. In the coming year, HFS and its sister agencies will work with stakeholders including HealthChoice Illinois Medicaid managed care health plans, providers, advocates, and especially *customers* to develop an operational protocol to increase the use of home and community-based services (HCBS), eliminate barriers to receiving long-term services and supports (LTSS) in a setting of one's choosing, and ensure sustainability of HCBS for individuals who transition to community living.

Stakeholder engagement will be critical to designing a program that supports individuals to live and participate in their communities rather than in institutional settings. If you would like to receive further information and notice of opportunities to provide input, please sign up for Money Follows the Person email notifications here:

<https://www2.illinois.gov/hfs/MedicalProviders/notices/Pages/ProviderEmailSubscribe.aspx>

More information about this award can be found [here](#).