



# Money Follows the Person Fact Sheet

## New Choices. New Lives.

### *What is Money Follows the Person?*

Money Follows the Person (MFP) is a program operated by the D.C. Department on Disability Services, Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA) and the D.C. Department of Health Care Finance (DHCF) that can help people move out of nursing facilities or Intermediate Care Facilities for Persons with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF/IDs) and begin a new life in a home setting of their choice.

### *Who can participate in Money Follows the Person?*

You can participate in MFP if you are:

- Eligible for DC Medicaid IDDD (formerly known as MRDD) Waiver Services
- Live in a nursing facility or ICF/ID for at least 90 days and
- Want to have a choice about where and with whom you live

### *What benefits would I get from participating in Money Follows the person?*

You would get extra help making choices about how you want to live your life, including:

- Finding and setting up a new home
- Choosing who you want to live with
- Choosing service providers
- Getting to know your neighbors and places to go in your neighborhood
- Making new friends
- Finding a job or other activities to get involved in
- Learning to do new things
- Getting the supports you need to live more independently.

### ***Who will help me make all these decisions?***

Family, friends, people who have helped you make decisions in the past including your DDS service coordinator.

### ***How will I get the help that I need to move and live in the community?***

You and your team will decide what assistance you will need to live in a home or apartment. This assistance will be paid for through the DC Medicaid waiver. The waiver pays for the help that many people with disabilities need to live in the community.

### ***What other assistance will I get by participating in MFP?***

MFP will provide 2 services for the first year. After the first year, the services listed below will stop, **but you will continue to get all of the waiver services and supports you need to live in the community.**

The 2 MFP services for the first year are:

- Transition Coordination to help plan your move and new activities you want to try
- Community mapping and resources to help you learn about and explore your new community

**For more information**, feel free to contact Ms. Sakena McWright, MFP Project Coordinator, at (202)442-9011 or by email at [sakena.mcwright2@dc.gov](mailto:sakena.mcwright2@dc.gov).

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