

Community Transitions

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Vision ONE GICATREGION

Mission

Foster thriving communities for all within the Atlanta region through collaborative, data-informed planning and investments.

Values

Excellence | Integrity | Equity

Goals



Healthy, safe, livable communities in the Atlanta Metro area.



Strategic investments in people, infrastructure, mobility, and preserving natural resources.



Regional services delivered with **operational excellence** and **efficiency**.



Diverse stakeholders engage and take a regional approach to solve local issues.



A competitive economy that is inclusive, innovative, and resilient.





What we do!

Provide information and resources to people in long term and short-term facilities to provide options to return home to the community

Every nursing home resident has the right to ask to return to their home!

- Options Counseling
- Money Follows the Person
- Nursing Home Transition





Options Counseling

First Step

Options counseling is Person-Centered counseling for any nursing home resident who has expressed a desire to return to the community and is in need of additional resources or counseling to make that desire a reality.

- Screen for Money follows the Person
- Screen for Nursing Home Transitions Program
- Screen for Medicaid waiver programs including the Elderly and Disabled waiver and Independent Care Waiver Program
- Provide Information and Resources to client's and caregivers



Money Follows The Person Program

- A Federal program that provides transition coordination services to return home
- Collaborate with client's, caregivers, nursing homes, waiver programs, medical staff to plan a client's discharge
- Provide goods, services, and support for 365 days

Basic Eligibility:

- Live in an inpatient facility for at least 60 consecutive days can include hospital stay
- Receive nursing home Medicaid for at least one day prior to transition
- Be eligible for a Medicaid waiver program
- Transition to an approved community-based residence. A person must have housing established





Money Follows The Person Program Resource

- Household Goods and Supplies
- Household Furnishings
- Moving Expenses
- Utility Deposits
- Security Deposits
- Caregiver education and Training
- Equipment and Supplies
- Environmental Modifications
- Transition Support
- Transportation home
- Life Skills Coaching
- Peer Community Support
- Gap services for personal support





Nursing Home Transitions Program

- Nursing Home Transition Program is a State Funded Program to assist short term nursing home patients return to the community.
- Must be 55 and older
- The individual must have citizenship or have legal status.
- Must stay at least 20 consecutive days in a facility. Can include hospital stays
- Must have an identified barrier for returning home





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- ▼ 70-90 referrals a month
- 49 Money Follows the Person Transitions
- 29 Nursing Home Transitions



