



Money Follows the Person (MFP) Overview and Facts For Providers

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MFP Overview

In 2008, Virginia launched Money Follows the Person (MFP) to provide extra supports and services to Virginians who choose to transition from long-term care institutions into the community. MFP moves Virginia closer to a rebalanced long-term support system that promotes choice, quality, and flexibility for participants by paying for necessary start-up expenses during the transition period out of a long-term care institution. Virginia receives funding and support for this program from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).

MFP Participant Eligibility Requirements

To qualify for MFP, the potential participant must:

- Have resided for at least 90 consecutive days in a long stay hospital, nursing facility (*any days spent in short-term skilled rehabilitation services do not count towards the 90 days*), intermediate care facility for individuals with intellectual disabilities (ICF-IID), long-stay hospital, institute for mental diseases (IMD), psychiatric residential treatment facility (PRTF), or a combination thereof **and**;
- Be a resident of the Commonwealth of Virginia **and**;
- Have received Medicaid benefits for inpatient services for at least one day prior to MFP enrollment **and**;
- Qualify for, and enroll into upon discharge, a Program for All-inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) or one of the four following waiver programs:
 - Elderly or Disabled with Consumer-Direction Waiver (EDCD),
 - Individual and Family Developmental Disabilities Support Waiver (DD),
 - Intellectual Disabilities Waiver (ID), or
 - Technology Assisted Wavier (TECH) **and**;
- Move to a “**qualified residence**.” A **qualified residence** is: **1) a home** that the individual or the individual’s family member owns or leases; **2) an apartment** with an individual lease, with lockable access and egress, that includes living, sleeping, bathing and cooking areas over which the individual or the individual’s family has domain and control; or **3) a residence in a community-based residential** setting in which no more than **four (4) unrelated individuals** reside.

Important MFP Forms

The following forms must be completed for **each MFP Participant**.

- MFP Informed Consent Form (DMAS-221)
- MFP Enrollment Form (DMAS-222)
- MFP Quality of Life Survey (DMAS-416)

These forms can be found on the **Virginia Medicaid Web Portal** in “**Providers Form Search**” under the “**Provider Services**” tab.

These forms are completed by the **Transition Coordination Provider (TCP).*

MFP Participant Enrollment Process Breakdown	<p>MFP Participant Enrollment Process:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Individual selects and informs Transition Coordination Provider (TCP) or institutional staff of interest in enrolling in MFP; ▪ TCP meets with individual and determines MFP eligibility; ▪ TCP completes the MFP Informed Consent Form (DMAS-221), and the MFP Enrollment Form (DMAS-222), maintains a copy in the individual's record and <u>sends a copy to DMAS</u>; ▪ Individual and TCP develops an Individual Support Plan that includes a back-up plan for essential services; and ▪ TCP administers Quality of Life Survey (DMAS-416) once, prior to discharge from the facility, and <u>sends a copy to DMAS</u>. <p>* Please Note: Completion of the forms and enrollment steps does not mean MFP participants will be able to transition out of the institution immediately. While all circumstances vary, participants, facilities, and TCPs should anticipate at least <u>6-8 weeks after enrollment</u> in MFP for successful transitioning of the participant out of the institution.</p>
Services Offered through MFP	<p>Individuals participating in MFP have access to the following services:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Transition Coordination up to two months prior to and 12 months following discharge from an institution, for a total of 14 months (Only for individuals transitioning to the EDCD Waiver); ▪ Transition Services up to nine months, two of which can be prior to discharge from an institution where the TCP will assist the client in making essential household purchases, and paying for moving costs, and one-time deposits (<i>when such funding cannot be obtained from other sources</i>). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Items are purchased and deposits are paid on behalf of the participant by the TCP and reimbursed to the TCP. At no time are MFP funds ever given or paid directly to MFP participants by Medicaid. ▪ Assistive Technology for individuals who are enrolled in the EDCD waiver for up to 12 months after discharge from an institution; ▪ Environmental Modifications for individuals who are enrolled in the EDCD waiver for up to 12 months after discharge from an institution. <p>*Please Note: Individuals also have <u>access to supports</u> offered within the waiver (or PACE program) they use.</p>
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