

Project Abstract

The Commonwealth of Kentucky, Department for Medicaid Services' (DMS) Money Follows the Person Grant proposal contains several goals and objectives to remove barriers and close gaps to allow residents of institutions who choose to live within the community to do so while ensuring their health, safety and welfare. It is the goal of DMS to address these barriers and gaps and collaborate with all stakeholders, government and private agencies, consumers, advocates and family members to alleviate these burdens and facilitate a successful transition for individuals choosing to leave the institutional settings. The Commonwealth of Kentucky will explore expanding existing 1915(c) services as well as the addition of supplemental demonstration services to ensure all identified service needs are met and the member is living in a safe environment.

The Department for Medicaid Services is seeking funding through the Money Follows the Person Rebalancing Demonstration for a total of \$41,561,750. This award and demonstration would span five (5) years.

Collaborative partnerships have been formed between DMS and many organizations in an effort to successfully obtain and implement this demonstration. In particular, the Kentucky Housing Corporation, the Kentucky Association of Health Care Facilities, the Department of Public Advocacy, ARC of Kentucky, the Department for Mental Health and Mental Retardation, the Division of Aging Services, the Kentucky Association of Assistive Technology Act Programs and the Centers for Accessible Living will play a crucial role in implementation of this demonstration.