

# Using §1915 of the Social Security Act to Increase Access to HCBS

For the Elderly and Other Adults with Disabilities



# Mission

Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) provides opportunities, services, and programs that promote a healthy, safe and stable environment for residents to be self-sufficient.

# Community Transition Services



- 1915(i) State Plan Amendment since October 2018
- Community Transition Services (CTS) assist nursing facility residents that would like to explore community-based living options
- May also serve individuals in other institutions or persons at risk of returning to the nursing facility without the provision of CTS
- CTS does not replace nursing facility discharge planning responsibilities
- Go to: <https://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/doing-business/providers/providers/billingreimbursement/community-transition-services>

# Services Available Through CTS

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## Medicaid-Funded Services

- Transition Navigator
- Community Transition Services
- Non-Medical Transportation
- Home Modifications
- HCBS Personal Care

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## State Funded Services

- 1<sup>st</sup> Month's Rent
- Delinquent Debt
- Groceries
- Appliances
- Court costs for guardian or conservator removal or adding
- Personal care for "trial runs" in the community while still a NF resident
- Non-Medical transportation while still a NF resident

# After Transition

- Most individuals enroll in a home and community-based program
  - About half enroll in MI Choice
  - 10-15% utilize Home Help services
  - Others enroll in MI Health Link, PACE, or Behavioral Health programs
  - Many do not need services once in the community
- If enrolled in another program, CTS ends within 30 days of that enrollment.
- If not enrolled in a HCBS program, CTS may continue as long as the individual meets eligibility criteria.

# MI Choice Waiver Program

- 1915(b)(c) waiver authority
  - The (b) is for managed care
  - The (c) is for HCBS
- Has been in place since 1992
- Provides services at home and in the community to individuals who are otherwise eligible to be admitted to a nursing facility
- Administered throughout the state by 20 waiver agencies
- Go to: <https://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/assistance-programs/healthcare/seniors/michoicewaiver/mi-choice-waiver-program>

# Services Available Through MI Choice



- Adult Day Health
- Respite
- Supports Coordination
- Specialized Medical Equipment and Supplies
- Fiscal Intermediary\*
- Goods and Services\*
- Supports Brokerage
- Assistive Technology
- Chore Services
- Community Health Worker
- Community Living Supports
- Community Transportation
- Counseling
- Environmental Accessibility Adaptations
- Home Delivered Meals
- Nursing Services
- Personal Emergency Response System
- Private Duty Nursing/Respiratory Care
- Residential Services
- Training
- Vehicle Modifications



# Types of Service Delivery

Participants may choose either option.

Services that may be self-determined:

- Respite
- Fiscal Intermediary
- Goods and Services
- Supports Brokerage
- Assistive Technology
- Chore Services
- Community Health Worker
- Community Living Supports
- Community Transportation
- Nursing Services
- Private Duty Nursing/Respiratory Services

- Traditional/Agency-Based Services
  - Waiver agencies will work with network providers to furnish the services on the PCSP
- Self-Determination
  - The participant chooses their caregivers and is their employer
- May have a combination of traditional and self-determined services

# MI Health Link



- MI Health Link is another HCBS program
- It integrates Medicare and Medicaid services
- It has a 1915(b)(c) waiver option that is much like MI Choice
  - Similar eligibility criteria
  - Similar array of services
- Go to: <https://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/doing-business/providers/integrated>

# Questions?

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