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5160-51-10 Helping Ohioans Move, Expanding Choice (HOME Choice).

(A) Helping Ohioans Move, Expanding Choice (HOME choice) assists individuals to transition from an institutional setting into a community setting.

(B) Definitions

(1) "Community setting" means a location that meets the home and community-based setting requirements set forth in rule 5160-44-01 of the Administrative Code.

(2) "HOME choice participant" or "participant" means a person who is enrolled in HOME choice.

~~(2)~~ (3) "Institutional setting" means a hospital as described in Chapter 5160-2 of the Administrative Code or a nursing facility as described in Chapter 5160-3 of the Administrative Code.

~~(3)~~ (4) "Needs assessment" means an in-person meeting with the HOME choice applicant to determine eligibility for the program, conducted by the Ohio department of medicaid (ODM) or its designee.

~~(D)~~ (C) To be eligible for HOME choice, an individual must:

(1) Be enrolled in medicaid in accordance with Chapter 5160:1 of the Administrative Code at the time of application;

(2) Have resided in an institutional setting for a period of not less than ninety consecutive days;

(3) Be eighteen years of age or older;

(4) Complete the HOME choice application form (form name/number) which includes:

(a) Demonstrating a need for the program, as determined by ODM. Examples include:

(i) Requiring physical or emotional supports to successfully transition from an institutional setting to a community setting;

(ii) Lacking family or informal supports willing and capable of assisting with any of the following;

(a) Locating, securing or moving into a community setting;

~~(b)~~ (b) Acquiring household furnishings and supplies;

~~(b)~~ (c) Restoring credit or obtaining financial resources necessary to obtain or set up a household;

~~(e)~~ (d) Accessing community resources and supports; or

~~(d)~~ (e) Arranging necessary home adaptations required for community living.

(b) Agreeing to adhere to the participant responsibilities outlined on the HOME choice application (add form number);

(c) Agreeing to move to a community setting within one hundred eighty days of enrolling in the program.

~~(4)~~ (5) Participate in a needs assessment and be determined by ODM to have:

(a) Health care needs that may be adequately met in a community setting; and

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~~(4)~~ (b) Enough income or means to sustain community living at the time of application.

~~(11)~~ (6) Have not previously transitioned through the HOME choice program after July 1, 2019;

~~(12)~~ (7) Not be a foster child, as defined in Chapter 5101:2-1 of the Administrative Code; and

~~(13)~~ (8) Not be eligible for both:

(a) Targeted case management, as defined in rule 5160-48-01 of the Administrative Code, and

(b) Community transition services, as defined in rule 5123-9-48 of the Administrative Code.

(D) An individual shall be enrolled in HOME choice when all of the criteria in paragraph (C) are met. ODM will notify the individual of enrollment in writing. Enrollment in HOME choice begins on the date of the enrollment letter and continues for one hundred eighty days pre-transition and thirty days post transition.

(E) Services available through HOME choice include activities approved by ODM or it's designee to assist the participant in his or her transition including:

(1) "Transition coordination" which includes:

(a) Working with facility discharge planners to determine what services and supports the participant will need in the community;

(b) Helping the participant obtain housing;

(c) Linking the participant with community resources;

(d) Coordinating the use of community transition services;

(e) Collaborating with the participant's comprehensive care team and nursing facility or hospital to coordinate services at the time of discharge from the institutional setting, and after the transition into the community setting when applicable.

(2) "Community transition service" as set forth in rule 5160-44-26.

~~(3)~~ HOME choice services can not duplicate services available to a participant enrolled on a home and community based services (HCBS) waiver.

~~(4)~~ (F) A participant may receive HOME choice services for up to thirty days post transition beginning on the date the participant moves from the institutional setting to the community setting.

~~(G)~~ If an individual fails to meet any of the requirements set forth in paragraph (C) of this rule before enrollment, the individual shall be denied participation in the program and afforded notice and hearing rights in accordance with division 5101:6 of the Administrative Code.

~~(H)~~ If an individual fails to meet any of the requirements set forth in paragraph (C) of this rule after enrollment, the individual shall be terminated from the program and afforded notice and hearing rights in accordance with division 5101:6 of the Administrative Code.