New Jersey's Money Follows the Person Program is Choose Home A

## A Developmental Center May Not Be The Only Option

"I lived in a developmental center for a long time until I moved into my own home. I have my own key to my house and my own bedroom. My staff understand me."

- Sharon, Camden County, moved home October 2010

If you, or someone you love, are living in a developmental center because you think it's the only option, the I Choose Home NJ program may be able to help!



## What Is I Choose Home – NJ (ICH-NJ)?

I Choose Home – NJ (also known as Money Follows the Person) is a Federal program with two main goals:

- to move people from nursing homes and developmental centers to the community with proper supports and services.
- to invest Medicaid dollars saved back into home- and community-based services.

## Who is Eligible?

NJ residents may be eligible if they:

- Have lived 90+ days in developmental center;
- Are interested in moving back to the community; and
- Are eligible for Medicaid at least one
  (1) day prior to leaving the facility.

For those choosing to move to the community, a team that includes the individual, their guardian, interested family members and other essential staff will meet to identify what services the individual will need to be successful in their new home. An individualized service plan will be developed to capture those needs and to make sure the services are in place before the individual moves.

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