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The Money follows the Person Grant will provide community living arrangements of the Consumer's choice to approximately 180 over age 65 MA eligible persons now in state hospitals.

The process is envisioned to have the following basic steps:

- Each facility CEO will appoint a Transition Coordinator. The coordinators will manage and facilitate movement of eligible persons to community placements of their choice. Overall responsibility for each stage of the process will continue throughout the life of the project.
- Initial screening and assessment of eligible persons will be completed:
 - Peer to Peer Assessments completed by consumer organizations.
 - Family Assessments
 - Clinical Assessments
 - Dept. of Aging Assessments
- Input will be solicited from Stakeholders:
 - Advisory Committee
 - Consumer Organizations
- Transition Coordinator will collaborate with Community Partners to facilitate Consumers' choice of living arrangements.
- Community Support Teams will be developed by facilities on a cooperative and/or regional basis. Facilities that are in close proximity can share teams.
- Consumers will be transitioned to the Community. Beds will be closed at facilities. There will be less than a 5% readmission rate to community hospitals.
- A Consumer Satisfaction Survey will be completed after one year. The Transition Coordinator will implement change based on the survey. The coordinator will also be responsible to work with the Community Support Team to make appropriate changes based on consumers' needs and desires.

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