

# HOME CHOICE

Helping Ohioans Move, Expanding  
Choice

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Money Follows the Person

Federal grant

Currently in 45 states

Ohio's Institutional Transition Program

Serve adults

Moving from long-term care back to the community

# HOME CHOICE BY THE NUMBERS

## Program Referrals

**72%**

From nursing facilities

## Applications

**2300** average per year

## Transition Time

**122**

Average number of days from program enrollment to return to the community

## Total Transitions

Since 2008

**17,000+**

Transition definition: An individual participated in the program to exit the facility and return to the community

## Program Reach

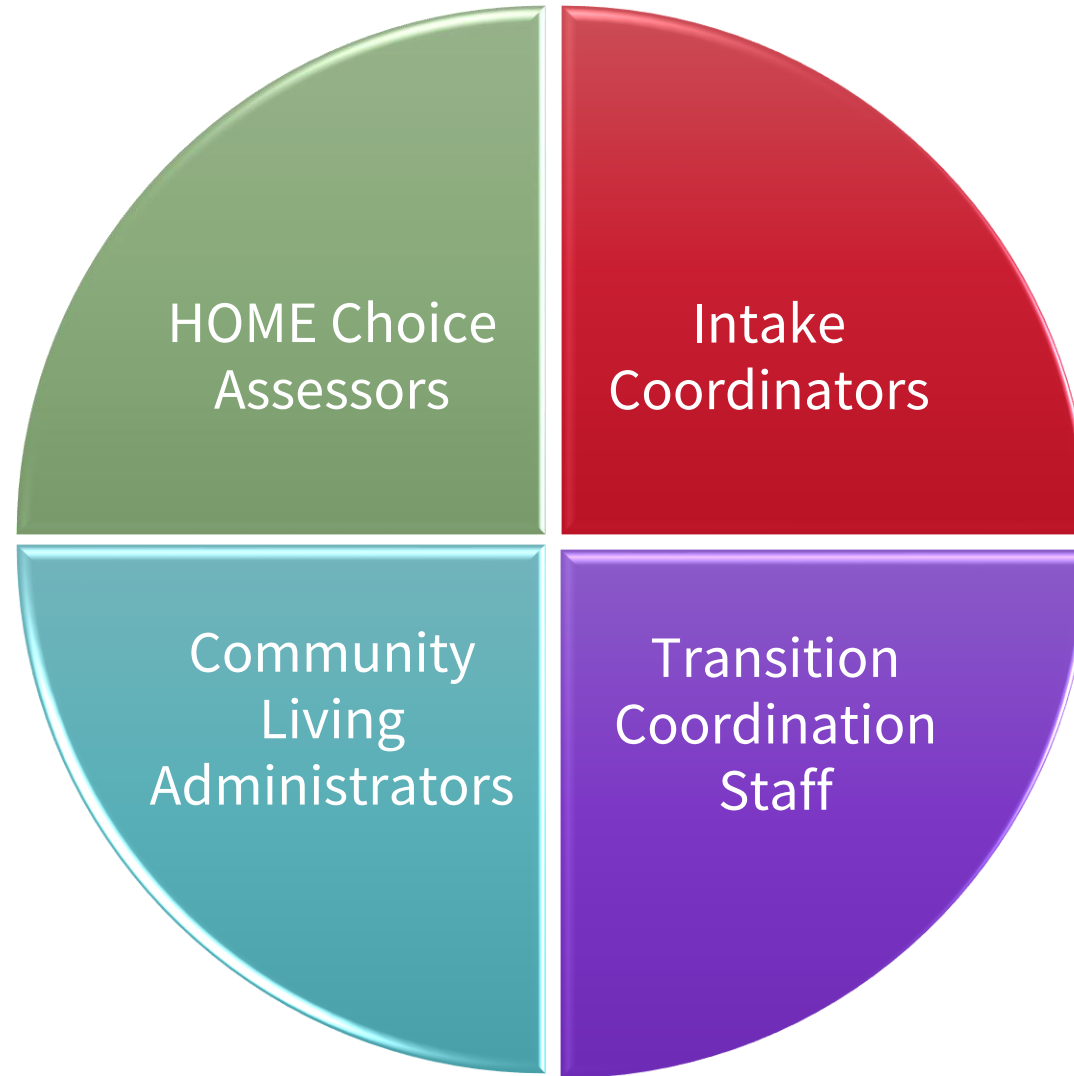
**88**

Number of Ohio Counties with HOME Choice Transitions

# Philosophy on Transitions



# HOME CHOICE COMMUNITY TRANSITION STAFF



# ADDITIONAL HOME CHOICE STAFF



# HOME CHOICE

## Eligibility Requirements

- Be enrolled in Medicaid
- Be a resident of a long-term care facility for 60 days
- Have income to sustain community living
- Participate in an assessment that establishes a need for the program
- Have care needs that can be adequately met in a community setting

# Home & Community-Based Settings





## Transition Coordination

- HOME Choice Transition Coordinator(TC) collaborates with the program enrollee to create a plan to the return to the community
- TC assists in multiple areas including locating housing & setting up a household

## Community Transition Services

- Provides up to \$2000 to use establish community-based living.
- Can be used for expenses such as deposits & fees, rental expenses
- Household items including furniture, cleaning & paper supplies, personal care items including essential clothing

# HOME CHOICE PROGRAM PROCESSES

## Application

- Reviewed and processed by HOME Choice Intake staff

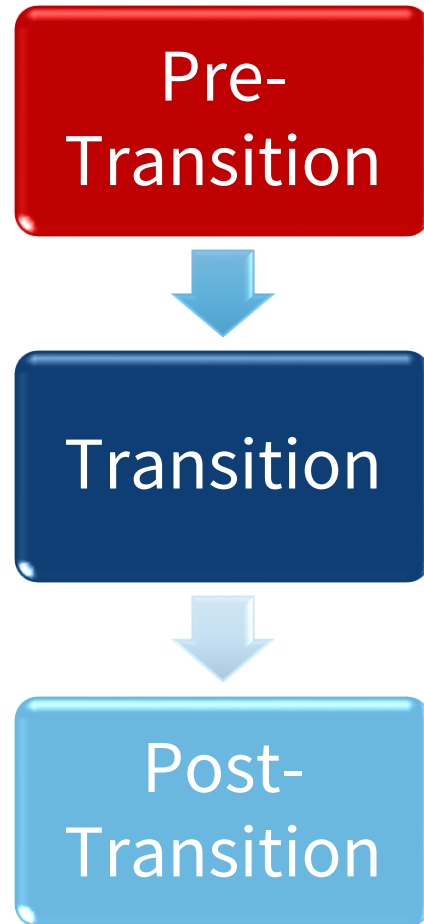
## Assessment

- Completed by HOME Choice Assessors
- HOME Choice Community Living Administrators review assessment, determine program enrollment

## Program Enrollment

- Transition Coordinator is assigned

# PROGRAM PARTICIPATION



## **Pre-transition enrollment period is up to 180-days**

- Individuals may re-apply and re-enroll if they are unable to transition during that period

## **30-days post-transition follow up**

- After the 30-day post transition period, individuals are no longer eligible for the program.

## **HOME Choice is a one-time program**

# HOME CHOICE PROGRAM PHASES

## Pre-Transition

- Develop a transition plan & budget
- Locate housing

## Transition

- Final household set up
- Return to community living

## Post-Transition

- 30-day follow up by TC
- Additional CTS requests made as needed

# HOME CHOICE PROGRAM COLLABORATION

## **Transition Coordinator works with the individual to:**

- Establish preferences & needs
- Develop a plan & budget to establish a household
- Locate prospective housing
- Link to community services and supports

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# Who Can Refer An Individual to HOME Choice?

**Family or Guardian**

**Facility Staff**

**Care Managers**

**Individual**

# HOME CHOICE

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