

Transforming the Kansas Long-Term Care System Real Choice Systems Change Grant for Systems Transformation

This project seeks to promote community living for Kansans of all ages with long-term support needs by continuing or building upon achievements from previous New Freedom grants awarded to Kansas. The primary goal of the project is to encourage community living options by enhancing consumer control and direction through a coordinated service delivery system.

Specific goals toward achieving this purpose are:

Goal 2: Increased choice and control: enhancement of self-directed service delivery system.

Goal 4: Transformation of information technology to support systems change

Goal 5: Creation of a system that more effectively manages the funding for long-term supports that promote community living options

Upon the completion of these goals Kansas will have:

Enhanced Person-Centered Planning and individual budget processes across all ages of individuals with long-term support needs.

A system in which consumer direction will be the normal and preferred method of utilizing services.

Quality assurance and improvement processes resulting in a single data-based quality management system across at least four of the six Kansas Home and Community Based Waiver programs.

Enhanced participant-centered, consumer controlled Information Technology system for all Kansans will be developed

Familiarity and comfort with web-based virtual resource center to receive information about service delivery options, regardless of age or disability

Measurable improvement for individuals seeking access to information, services, and supports in a non-institutionalized long-term care setting

Performance incentive payment methodologies that weigh payment for MR/DD residential and day services based on the level of independent living

Flexibility in a person's individual budget. For example, services in a manner that will allow the participant that purchases assistive technology to save personal care time to maintain those dollars in their budget.

Developed a money follows the person payment structure that assures that all persons who reside in ICF/MR facilities (public and private) and are requesting to move into a community setting will have the funding available