



## Money Follows Person Sustainability Plan

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April 30, 2015

***Revised January 3, 2017***

## Version History

The versions and revisions to this document are listed in the table below.

Revision Date	Owner/Source	Description of Change
04/30/2015	Pam Johnson	Original report submitted to CMS
01/03/2017	Rebecca Dugger	Revised document to reflect programmatic and budgetary changes

## Report Overview

### General Description and Significance

The Georgia Money Follows the Person Program (MFP) Sustainability plan was submitted April 30, 2015. Since that time, the state has engaged in several Steering Committee and Advisory Committee meetings. From those meetings, a more detailed discussion was held to obtain additional feedback on MFP services and resources needed to implement and sustain the program beginning in 2016 through the 2020 programmatic year.

This revised report reflects those changes that the state will implement. The state remains committed to the three prominent domains previously submitted:

1. Integrating ongoing administrative support for rebalancing initiatives into the infrastructure including Options Counseling and staff resources
2. Sustaining transition supports from institution to community through conversion of demonstration services into home and community-based services (HCBS) waivers
3. Strengthening Georgia's HCBS infrastructure by:
  - Revisiting and revising as necessary the design of case management to ensure enhanced and uniform practices and consistent outcomes with a focus on person-centered planning and service delivery

- Establishing a standardized electronic information technology system to collect quality outcome data and investigate the viability of centralizing components of various HCBS information systems for quality management purposes

Conversely, there are additional details that the state wishes to revise in order to have a more effective and vigorous program for its participants.

## **Revisions**

### ***Eligibility Criteria-pg. 2***

The plan originally proposed that individuals have an institutional stay of at least 30 days rather than 90 days. The state will revise that criteria from 30 to **60 days**. The plan will continue to support efforts to have qualifying residences to include no more than 6 unrelated individuals.

### ***Funding for programmatic requirements-pg. 12 section d.***

The table below reflects a revision to the funding necessary to continue meeting these programmatic requirements.

Table 3.1 revised

Activity	Responsible Party	Cost
External Evaluator/QOL Surveys (1 and 2 year follow up) as directed by CMS	Georgia Health Policy Center-GHPC	\$1,162,551 (total) 2016-2020
Reporting to CMS	Medicaid Staff (1FTE) Program Specialist	\$44,000 (per year)
Accounting/ABCD Reports	DCH Finance Office Accountant II (1FTE)	\$77,000 (per year)
Total through 2020		\$1,283,551.00

All CMS reporting activities have been assigned to the agencies Information Technology/Decision Support Systems. Additional support will be provided by the MFP

Program Specialist, whose responsibilities include participant documentation and record keeping.

***Section 4 Demonstration Services and Services Funded by Administrative Funds pg. 14 Table 4.1***

Georgia will amend four (4) 1915(c) waivers as part of the sustainability plan. All Transition services indicated as being added in the Section 4.c-d table are applicable to all waivers and all populations unless indicated otherwise. Target populations include Older Adults (OA), Physical Disability/Traumatic Brain Injury (PD/TBI), Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (IDD).

The table below reflects revised dates to the waiver amendment submission timeline.

Table 4.1

Waiver to be Amended	Target Population	Submittal to CMS	Effective Date
Elderly & Disabled Waiver <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Community Care Services Program</li> <li>SOURCE (Service Options Using Resources in the Community Environment) Program</li> </ul>	OA, PD	Between 6-1-2017 and 12-1-2017	1-1-2018
Independent Care Waiver Program (Physical Disabilities)	PD, TBI	Between 9-1-2017 and 12-1-2017	4-1-2018
New Options Waiver (ID/DD)	IDD	By 12-1-2017	7-1-2018
Comprehensive Supports Waiver (ID/DD)	IDD	By 3-1-2018	10-1-2018

***Rebalancing Fund Utilization pg. 42***

MFP currently makes available demonstration services specific to youth with mental illness that mirror the scope of services previously provided under the Community Based Alternatives for Youth (CBAY) demonstration waiver. Rebalancing funds will

continue to be used to make these services available under the sustainability plan through September 30, 2020. The table below specifically redirects funding to this initiative. It also reallocates funding based on new projection of the number of program participants.

<b>Budget Summary – Revised January 3, 2017</b>					
Service	Program	# Enrollees	Average Annual Cost (State Share)	# Years	Total Cost
State Share for MFP enrollee demonstration benefits for 2017-2018	ICWP	50	\$12,703	2	\$1,270,300.00
	E&D	150	\$6,912	2	\$2,073,600.00
	NOW	10	\$4,507	2	\$90,140.00
	COMP	22	\$19,277	2	\$848,188.00
State Share for new waiver transition benefits 2018-2020	Trans Case Mgt.	400	\$1,359	2	\$1,087,200.00
	Trans Set-up & Move-In	400	\$1,530	2	\$1,224,000.00
	Trans Peer Support	50	\$796	2	\$79,600.00
	Trans Outreach & Ed	50	\$340	2	\$34,000.00
	Trans Adaptive Equip	200	\$850	2	\$340,000.00
	Trans Environ Mods	300	\$3,400	2	\$2,040,000.00
	Trans Supported Emp.	100	\$3,628	2	\$725,600.00
State Share for traditional waiver services for transitioned individuals 2018 - 2020	ICWP	50	\$12,703	2	\$1,270,300.00
	E&D	200	\$6,912	2	\$2,764,800.00
	NOW	25	\$4,507	2	\$225,350.00
	COMP	20	\$19,277	2	\$771,080.00
Case Management Certification and Implementation 2018 - 2020	Curriculum Development and Training/Certification System Implementation and Evaluation - \$25,000; Annual Management - \$75,000 x 2				\$175,000.00
EHR Quality Management System 2017-2020	EHR software standardization-customization and application-\$500,000 (2017) Annual maintenance and TA - \$100,000 Licenses-500 x \$ 200 each- \$ 100,000 Training-semi-annual – \$31,000				\$731,749.00
<b>Total</b>					<b>\$16,700,907</b>

**7. Timeline for planned activities in 4,5, and 6. Pg. 45**

Table 7. 1 has been revised to reflect adjustments to the submission timeline for each waiver, waiver amendment, SPA and /or SPA revision. Additionally, based upon these adjustments, request to the Legislative sessions for funding and/or authorization has also been adjusted.

Table 7.1

Waiver to be Amended	Submittal to CMS	Legislative Session Authorization	Effective Date
Elderly & Disabled Waiver <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Community Care Services Program</li> <li>SOURCE (Service Options Using Resources in the Community Environment) Program</li> </ul>	Between 6-1-2017 and 12-1-2017	Jan-Apr 2017	7-1-2018
New Options Waiver (ID/DD)	By 1-1-2018	Jan-Apr 2017	7-1-2018
Comprehensive Supports Waiver (ID/DD)	By 1-1-2018	Jan-Apr 2017	1-1-2018
Independent Care Waiver Program (Physical Disabilities)	Between 6-1-2017 and 12-1-2017	Jan-Apr 2018	7-1-2018
Preliminary Activities to Waiver Amendments			Due Date
Complete development of Eligibility Criteria/Conditions for new transition waiver services			11-1-2016
Complete development of new transition waiver service definitions			3-1-2017
Complete development of new transition waiver service provider qualifications			4-30-2017
Finalize rate methodology for basis of reimbursement for new transition services			4-30-2017
Establish prior approval processes			3-31-2017
Establish GA MMIS functionality (Submit CSR, develop BRD, implement)			11/1/2017 to 7-31-2018

Based upon this revised timeline Georgia will accept referrals to MFP through October 1, 2017.

### **8. Estimated Budget Summary**

The revised budget summary reflects the total federal dollars invested into rebalancing efforts including grant funding and rebalancing/enhanced match funding as of CY 2016. The total budget summary reflects the total federal dollars invested into rebalancing efforts including grant funding and rebalancing/enhanced match funding.

	Budget Amount 2016	Budgeted Amount 2017	Budgeted Amount 2018	Budgeted Amount 2019	Budgeted Amount 2020	Total
Personnel	\$454,422	\$454,422	\$454,422	\$399,699	\$305,530	<b>\$2,068,496</b>
Fringe Benefits	\$272,944	\$272,944	\$272,944	\$240,075	\$183,514	<b>\$1,242,422</b>
Travel	\$80,543	\$80,543	\$88,950	\$3,906	\$3,386	<b>\$257,329</b>
Equipment						<b>\$0</b>
Supplies	\$10,500	\$10,626	\$10,626	\$10,626	\$10,626	<b>\$53,004</b>
Contractual	\$9,629,289	\$8,485,188	\$8,035,188	\$4,733,988	\$1,511,838	<b>\$32,395,491</b>
Construction						<b>\$0</b>
Benefits	\$7,094,912	\$7,293,570	\$7,497,790	\$5,586,633	\$1,346,760	<b>\$28,819,664</b>
<b>Total Direct Charges</b>	<b>\$17,542,611</b>	<b>\$16,597,294</b>	<b>\$16,359,920</b>	<b>\$10,974,928</b>	<b>\$3,361,653</b>	<b>\$64,836,406</b>
Indirect Charges						<b>\$0</b>
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$17,542,611</b>	<b>\$16,597,294</b>	<b>\$16,359,920</b>	<b>\$10,974,928</b>	<b>\$3,361,653</b>	<b>\$64,836,406</b>