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TO: Iowa Medicaid Home- and Community-Based (HCBS), Home Health Agencies, Hospice, Screening Centers, Maternal Health Centers, Skilled Nursing Facilities, Occupational Therapists, Physical Therapists, Rehab Agencies, Remedial Services Providers and Managed Care Organizations (MCOs)

FROM: Iowa Department of Human Services (DHS), Iowa Medicaid Enterprise (IME)

RE: Money Follows the Person (MFP) Program

The Iowa Health Link managed care program will begin April 1, 2016. This informational letter addresses the continuation of the MFP program after this date.

In 2007, Iowa received a \$51 million dollar federal “Money Follows the Person” grant to assist residents of Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF/ID) to move into a community of their choice. Since 2014, Iowa has also been able to assist individuals living in nursing facilities with either an intellectual disability or brain injury diagnosis to move into a community of their choice. To date, Iowa has transitioned 513 individuals into the community. Iowa’s MFP grant is authorized to continue through at least 2018.

The MFP grant program will continue operating through a Fee-for-Service (FFS) structure for all HCBS services, enhanced MFP services, and certain State Plan Long Term Care Services for 365 days after the Medicaid member moves into the community. Please see the attached chart for a list of these services and their procedure codes. Providers authorized to provide MFP HCBS and the included Long Term Care Services will continue to submit claims to the IME. The MCOs will be responsible for all other medical services. Members enrolled in the MFP Program will continue to work with an MFP transition specialist. The transition specialist and the MCOs will work together to coordinate all Long Term Care services and medical services needed to support the member.

During the 365 MFP days, Critical Incidents are still required to be reported in the [Iowa Medicaid Portal Access](#)¹ (IMPA) system.

Please refer to the DHS web page [Money Follows the Person](#)² for further information.

Please direct any questions to the MFP Project Coordinator, Brooke Lovelace at blovela@dhs.state.ia.us or 515-256-4637.

¹ [https://secureapp.dhs.state.ia.us/impd/\(S\(0xsfrei1dcv2utsqyarg550l\)\)/Default.aspx](https://secureapp.dhs.state.ia.us/impd/(S(0xsfrei1dcv2utsqyarg550l))/Default.aspx)

² <http://dhs.iowa.gov/ime/members/medicaid-a-to-z/mfp>