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## PROGRAM INSTRUCTION

**TO:** Aging Service Access Points (ASAP) Executive Directors, ASAP Community Transition Liaison Program Managers, ASAP Program Managers, ASAP Nurse Managers

**FROM:** Lynn C. Vidler, Senior Director, Policy and Operations, Home Care, MBA, BSW

**DATE:** July 11, 2024

**RE:** Money Follows the Person Demonstration

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### **Purpose:**

*This Program Instruction (PI) identifies MFP Demo Business Rule and includes required procedures for ASAPs to follow to fulfill their obligations concerning the MFP Demo.*

### **Background:**

The Money Follows the Person (MFP) Demonstration (Demo) is a Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) federal grant awarded to MassHealth to assist eligible MassHealth Members residing in facility-based long term care settings to transition to a community-based setting where they can receive home and community-based services.

ASAPs currently operate care coordination and case management programs that engage with individuals residing in nursing facilities short or long term. These individuals may already be receiving care and support from the Community Transition Liaison Program (CTLTP) which requires staff to visit assigned nursing facilities in the ASAPs geographic region; the Home Care Program which has consumers temporarily residing in nursing facilities; and the Clinical Assessment and Eligibility (CAE) Program

which has ASAP nurses assessing individuals for nursing home level of care. These programs work in conjunction with the MFP Demo.

Section 4.5 of the ASAP contract (Interdisciplinary Care Management) includes subsection 4.5.16, which requires ASAPs to “have processes to identify, enroll, track, and manage any consumer transitioning from a nursing facility who is identified for and/or enrolled in the Money Follows the Person (MFP) Demonstration in accordance with program requirements.”

Section 1.6.3.3 of the ASAP contract defines a “Business Rule” as a document issued by EOEI that sets forth required actions, procedures, and data entry requirements. Under Section 1.13 of the ASAP contract, EOEI may issue Program Instructions (PIs) to Contractors to implement new policy and programmatic initiatives, including Business Rules, and ASAPs are required to comply with the terms of such PIs.

**See attached MFP Demo Business Rule which is hereby incorporated into this PI.**

**Effective Date:**

The effective date of this Program Instruction is July 11, 2024.

**Contact:**

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