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State program continues to support resident transition into the community

Waiting time is now shortened to 60 days

The California Community Transitions Project, (CCT) also known as "Money Follows the Person" received a renewal of funds and shortened the waiting time for residents to be eligible for the program from 90 days down to 60 days.

This program provides support for residents that want to transition from skilled nursing back to the community when obstacles such as income or lack of accommodations to the home are present.

When Section Q, question 0500 of the MDS is completed, a resident that indicates they are interested in transitioning back to the community must be referred to the local CCT Lead Organization. Then a transition coordinator will work directly with willing and eligible individuals, support networks and providers to facilitate and monitor the residents' transition from a facility to the community settings of their choice.

Eligible individuals of all ages with physical and mental disabilities have an opportunity to participate in CCT.

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In some situations, a resident may state that they want to transition but require full care - and though the team may not feel a transition would be safe for this resident, the referral should be made and the transition coordinator should be given the role of deciding if the program can support the level of transition services the resident would require utilizing the programs assessment tools.

Additionally, if the facility social services team has the connections to ensure a positive and safe transition and is actively working on the transition details, the referral to the local CCT Lead Organization should still be made.

The resident would benefit from the continued support from the transition coordinator for a full year after the transition. The added support and resources will ensure the resident is in a good situation and provides additional help to meet the readmission reduction goals of the facility.