

## \*Important Information\*

### Choices for Care Long-Term Care Medicaid Program

You have applied for the VT Choices for Care program. Here are some important things to know:

- ▶ You must meet both **CLINICAL** and Long-Term Care (LTC) Medicaid **FINANCIAL** criteria to be eligible for the Choices for Care program.
- ▶ You have the **CHOICE** of receiving your care at home, in Enhanced Residential Care or Nursing Facility setting.
- ▶ LTC Medicaid **FINANCIAL** eligibility is determined by the local Department for Children and Families (DCF), Economic Services Division.
- ▶ You must complete **FINANCIAL** application forms for Long-Term Care Medicaid and send them to your local DCF office.
- ▶ **FINANCIAL** eligibility is based on your income, assets (bank accounts, trusts, real estate, etc) and whether you gave away or “transferred” assets.
- ▶ Depending on how much income you have, you might have to pay a portion of the cost for care. This is called a **PATIENT SHARE**. The **PATIENT SHARE** is owed for each month you receive Choices for Care services. Your Notice of Decision from DCF will tell you how much, to which provider and when to pay your **PATIENT SHARE**.
- ▶ If you decide with your Choices for Care provider to start services before LTC Medicaid **FINANCIAL** eligibility is determined, you may have to pay for the services provided if you are found to be financially ineligible for LTC Medicaid.
- ▶ If you are eligible and have chosen **CONSUMER** or **SURROGATE** directed services, the employer and employees must complete enrollment forms with the payroll agent ARIS (1-800-798-1658)
- ▶ If you are eligible and have chosen **CONSUMER** or **SURROGATE** directed services, your caregivers will not be paid until the LTC Medicaid **FINANCIAL** eligibility has been approved and **PATIENT SHARE** (if applicable) is paid.
- ▶ If you are found eligible for the Choices for Care program, you will have a **CLINICAL** and **FINANCIAL** review at least once a year to make sure you still meet all eligibility criteria.

## **Choices for Care Program - Vermont State Contacts**

### **Department of Disabilities, Aging and Independent Living (DAIL) Long-Term Care Clinical Coordinators (Clinical Eligibility)**

Barre	(802) 476-1646
Bennington	(802) 447-2850
Brattleboro	(802) 251-2118
Burlington	(802) 879-5904
Hartford	(802) 296-5592
Middlebury	(802) 388-5730
Morrisville	(802) 888-0510
Newport	(802) 334-3910
Rutland	(802) 786-5971
Springfield	(802) 885-8875
St. Albans	(802) 524-7913
St. Johnsbury	(802) 748-8361
Waterbury Central Office	(802) 241-1228

### **Department for Children and Families (DCF) Economic Services Division (Financial Eligibility)**

Barre	(802) 479-1041 or 800 499-0113
Bennington	(802) 442-8541 or 800 775-0527
Brattleboro	(802) 257-2820 or 800 775-0515
Burlington	(802) 863-7365 or 800 775-0506
Hartford	(802) 295-8855 or 800 775-0507
Middlebury	(802) 388-3146 or 800 244-2035
Morrisville	(802) 888-4291 or 800 775-0525
Newport	(802) 334-6504 or 800 775-0526
Rutland	(802) 786-5800 or 800 775-0516
Springfield	(802) 886-8856 or 800 589-5775
St. Albans	(802) 524-7900 or 800 660-4513
St. Johnsbury	(802) 748-5193 or 800 775-0514
Waterbury Central Office	(802) 241-2800