

# Are Self-Directed Services for You ?

## YES

- Do you know what services you want and need?
- Would you like more choice and control over the services you receive?
- Do you know what resources are out there to help you stay independent?
- Do you want more control over your own Choices for Independence budget?
- Would you like to choose someone to assist you in directing your service?
- If your worker calls in sick, do you have a back up plan and support system in place?
- Do you want to discuss this with your case manager?

If you answered yes to 3 of these questions you might want to consider Self Directed Services. Self Directed Services gives you the opportunity to be in charge of the supports and services that you receive from the Choices for Independence program. Self Directed Services puts you in charge so that you can remain in your home and independent.

The self directed option provides a natural customized feel to services. Individuals and their families are best equipped to prioritize and figure out what they need, while agencies are experts in fiscal management, payroll function, and oversight for regulatory compliance.

Up until now, a person's ability to choose or manage long term support was limited. There was little room for innovation relative to choices, workers, schedules, etc.

Now, people define what they need, direct individual budgets, and personally manage their supports. As long as it is within defined regulations and allocated funding – they can do it their way.

## Self Directed Services

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“The workers who we choose to care for my mother are like guardian angels.”

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