

## SUCCESS STORY

When Maggie\* walked out of her apartment building one morning, she didn't expect to fall and break a hip, let alone spend the next two years recuperating in a nursing home. Although she was receiving the necessary care, she missed her old home, her friends, and her independence.



Maggie learned about what NH Community Passport had to offer following the recommendation of nursing home staff. She met with a transition coordinator and discovered that returning to an apartment was a realistic option. The transition coordinator and Maggie spent some time outlining Maggie's service needs, and over the next few months, the coordinator helped Maggie with her transition to the community. On moving day, Maggie walked into an apartment where all the necessary details had been taken care of.

Since transitioning out of the nursing home, Maggie has remained in the community. "I have my privacy," she says, "and I really enjoy the freedom of being home."

\*name changed

**"The Passport Program was very beneficial for me. It got me back in my community and back in the swing of things."**

– NH Community Passport participant

## LEARN MORE

If you have questions about your eligibility or would like to learn more about Community Passport, contact:

### NH Community Passport Program

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## WHO WE ARE

The **New Hampshire Community Passport Program** is a collaborative initiative that provides:

- ▶ **Information about community living options to people in nursing facilities or hospitals.**
- ▶ **Help to make informed choices about where to receive services and supports.**
- ▶ **Opportunities to talk about your individual situation, including available supports and any challenges or concerns you may have.**

**Our goal is to support you to live and receive services where you prefer.**

If you choose, NH Community Passport can assist you to resettle in the community. The program will work with you and gather professionals from your current health care team, staff from appropriate community service agencies, and your personal support network to develop a community care plan.

By giving you the choice and making you the focus of our planning, we work to ensure that your transition is successful.



## OUR SUCCESS

Moving back to the community can be a difficult transition, both logistically and emotionally. At NH Community Passport, we know that the right kind of support during the first year is critical to a person's chances of success. That's why **we focus on you**, on your goals, and on bringing together the necessary network of people and services to achieve those goals. And after two years in our program, **95% of our participants are still living in the community.**

## DO I QUALIFY?

To qualify, you must:

- ▶ **Be a New Hampshire resident.**
- ▶ **Have lived in a qualified institutional setting for at least three months.**
- ▶ **Be receiving New Hampshire Medicaid at least one day before you are discharged.**
- ▶ **Qualify for the Choices for Independence waiver, the Developmental Disability waiver, the Acquired Brain Disorder waiver, or for specific state-funded mental health services.**
- ▶ **Have a desire to move to a home you or a family member owns, an apartment that you rent, or a small group home.**

## AVAILABLE SERVICES



Depending on which Medicaid waiver or services you qualify for, the program may help pay for some of the costs of setting up your new home.

When you participate, you will receive:

- ▶ **A transition coordinator to help you relocate.**
- ▶ **A specialist to assist with locating housing.**

If you need it, you will also receive assistance to obtain:

- ▶ **Equipment and supplies to help you in the community.**
- ▶ **Modifications to your home to assure your safety.**
- ▶ **Caregiver training, including funding for training of direct care providers.**
- ▶ **And more!**

NH Community Passport works toward your uniquely tailored plan that allows you the ability to make the best service and care choices for yourself.