HOME Choice is a transition program that assists individuals age 18 and older to move from a long-term care facility (e.g. nursing facility, hospital, or ICF-IID) into a home and community-based setting. The program provides transition services and supports to individuals whether or not they enroll on a Medicaid waiver.

What are the program requirements?
To be eligible for HOME Choice an individual must:
• Be enrolled in Medicaid
• Have resided in a long term care facility for at least 90 consecutive days
• Be 18 years of age or older
• Have income to sustain community living
• Participate in a needs assessment and have a need for the program
• Have care needs that can be adequately met in a community setting

What services and supports does the program offer?
Transition Coordination, which may include:
• Collaboration with discharge planners and care team to determine services and supports needed in the community
• Finding housing
• Coordinating Community Transition Services
• Identifying other community resources
Community Transition Services, which may include:
• Security deposits and rental expenses required to obtain a lease
• Essential household items
• Fees and deposits for utilities and other services (e.g. phone, electricity, gas, water)
• Moving expenses
• Pre-transition transportation

How do I learn more and apply?
Individuals and family members/guardian will work with the long-term care facility and HOME Choice transition staff to apply, discuss options and coordinate services and supports.

The application is available online at medicaid.ohio.gov/HomeChoice.

Questions? Contact the Ohio Department of Medicaid HOME Choice Bureau at: (888) 221-1560 or email: HOME_Choice@medicaid.ohio.gov