BSW 414: Assisted Living (AL) At Risk Slot

Process

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PURPOSE

Assisted Living At Risk slots are intended to maintain members in their community residence when members have depleted their private financial resources. An At Risk slot prevents members from being moved to a higher level of care when they are no longer able to pay for their assisted living placement.

ASSISTED LIVING AT RISK SLOT MANAGEMENT

Assisted Living At Risk slots are managed by the Community Services Bureau (CSB) central office.

A pool of AL At Risk slots are held in the Community Services Bureau (CSB) central office to be used as a resource for residents of AL facilities who have depleted their financial resources, as a result of their stay in the AL facility, and are at risk of nursing home placement due to inability to continue to pay their costs to remain in the facility. The CMT case management team can request an Assisted Living AL At Risk slot from the central office when they receive the referral for services for eligible applicants from this pool when the CMT does not have an available Adult Residential slot for the individual. CSB central office determines the number of slots in this pool.

When the slot is approved, the case management team will work directly with the member and assisted living provider to transition Big Sky Waiver services. In the rare circumstances when an At Risk slot is not available, the member will be put on the wait list.

PROCESS

The CMT completes a Request for Assisted Living At Risk form (DPHHS SLTC 156) for an individual on the CMT wait list who qualifies for an AL At Risk slot. This form is submitted to BSW Central office for review. The completed form will be returned to the Regional Program Officer. If there is not an available slot in this pool, this individual will be put on a wait list until an AL At Risk slot becomes available.

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AT-RISK SLOTS

At risk slots are used to divert members from entering a nursing facility.

Time limits on these slots?

Communication around at risk slots?