

## Frail Elder Waiver (300% SSI)

This program is designed to keep nursing home eligible consumers home safely with services, as long as possible.

The Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services authorizes payments for home and community-based services from Aging Services Access Points, also known as ASAPs to frail, nursing home eligible consumers. Approval for the Frail Elder Waiver enables the consumer to receive MassHealth benefits and to qualify for enhanced services.

The program is for consumers who are over income for standard Medicaid, are in need of home care services, and need nursing home level of care in their home.

## **ELIGIBILITY**

Any adult, age 60 and over and a resident of Massachusetts who meets the following criteria:

- Eligible for state home care services
- Clinically eligible for nursing home care as determined through an in-home assessment by a Registered Nurse from AgeSpan
- Personal individual income not greater than 300% of SSI (see mass.gov website for current figures)
- Assets of no more than \$2,000 per person. If married see mass.gov website for more information related to spousal asset allowances

## **PROCESS**

A referral to **AgeSpan's** Information & Referral Department is made for the State Home Care Program. The consumer must be eligible for and accept services such as: homemaker, personal care, respite, home health aide, or meals. A complete list of services is available by request.

A MassHealth application must be completed along with the clinical eligibility screening. MassHealth determines if financial and clinical eligibility requirements are met. If approved, the consumer may qualify for enhanced services at no cost.

## MORE INFORMATION

For more information about Frail Elder Waiver, call our Information & Referral Department at 800-892-0890.