# Managed Long Term Services and Supports (MLTSS)

Pennsylvania is changing the way it provides home and community-based care. Here are a few things older Pennsylvanians should know:

## What is MLTSS?

- A new way to get health care, and home and community-based services (HCBS), with a goal to help more older adults live in their homes
- Provided through an insurance company called a Managed Care Organization (MCO): Health Insurance + Delivery of Care + Coordination



- MCO manages all health care and services: Hospital Care + Medical Care + HCBS + Prescription Drugs + Preventive Care
- Goal to make it easier to get needed HCBS such as meals, or the help of an aide to get washed and dressed
- Consumers have a **choice of MCO providers and providers** within the MCO network such as physicians, home health, etc.
- MLTSS will provide the option and encourage the use of self-direction of services (consumer-directed model) and the consumer will be the focus of planning for care (person-centered planning)



## Who is included?

- People who are eligible for Medicare AND Medicaid (Dual-eligible)
- Nursing Facility Clinically Eligible (NFCE)

   including those who may be getting services in nursing facilities, the LIFE program or HCBS waivers like the Aging Waiver

#### What Rights do Consumers Have?

- Consumers have the **RIGHT** to appeal loss of care or care that is denied
- Consumers have the **RIGHT** to complain about problems or the care they get
- Consumers have the **RIGHT** to a special advocate or ombudsman to get more information or help with ensuring their rights

#### When & Where?

- Starting in July 2016 in Western PA
- Moving to Southeast next and will include the whole state by December 2018



Goal is for a smooth transition away
 from Aging Waiver services to MLTSS without loss of care

### Will Consumers be Part of the Planning Process?

- Consumers are encouraged to provide input about the MLTSS plan
- Send questions and comments to: <u>RA-MLTSS@pa.gov</u>
- No computer? Call CARIE with your comments and we will share
- Visit <u>http://www.dhs.state.pa.us/foradults</u> and click on Managed Long-Term Services and Supports for more information

## \*Official rules regarding MLTSS are not yet in place.

Questions or Concerns? Need Help Getting Care? Contact CARIE (215) 545-5728 Toll Free: 1-800-356-3606 www.carie.org

