CHOICE—What is it?

Community and Home Options to Institutional Care for the Elderly and Disabled (CHOICE) is an Indiana-funded program to provide in-home services to eligible elderly or disabled Hoosiers. Services provided may include:

Attendant
Homemaker
Home Health Aide
Registered Nurse
Therapies
Supplies
Emergency Response Systems
Adaptive Aids
Home Modifications
Adult Day Care
Home Delivered Meals

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Who is Eligible?

- Indiana residents who are at least 60 years old,
- Or permanently disabled,
- And at risk of losing independence because of inability to perform 2 types of self care such as bathing taking medications, walking or transferring.

In Addition,

- it must be "safe and feasible" for the person to remain at home
- The cost of services must not exceed the cost of nursing facility care.

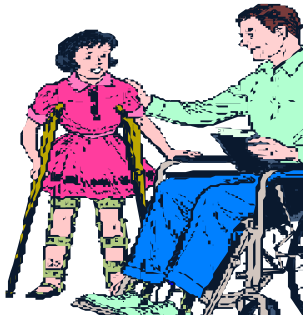
How Does It Work?

- A case manager makes a home visit to assess your needs and to determine your eligibility for CHOICE. It will also be determined if you will be required to pay a portion of the care cost by considering your personal income and expenses.

- After it has been certified that services are safe and feasible for you, you and the case manager develop a care plan that will best meet your needs and stay within the allowed budget. The care plan includes:
    - type of service,
    - amount and frequency of service,
    - the specific agency that will provide each service.
    - If you have a cost share, you will know exactly how much you will pay each month for the services in your care plan.

- Services and payment for them are then arranged.

- At regular intervals, the case manager checks to see that services are being performed as planned and makes adjustments as necessary.

- The case manager also helps you resolve any problems with services and/or providers.

- Each year your eligibility for the CHOICE program must be redetermined.