



## Snohomish County Council

**Committee:** LJHS  
**ECAF:** 22-0149  
**Proposal:** Mot. 22-070

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**Date:** Feb. 10, 2022

### **Consideration**

The Executive's Office requests Council consider approving proposed Motion 22-070 which would approve and authorize an agreement with the Washington State Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) Money Follows the Person (MFP) Grant.

### **Background**

The Money Follows the Person Medicaid demonstration project supports state efforts for rebalancing their long-term care services and supports system so that individuals have a choice of where they live and receive services.<sup>1</sup>

The goals of the program are:

- Increase the use of home and community-based services (HCBS) and reduce the use of institutionally based services
- Eliminate barriers in state law, state Medicaid plans, and state budgets that restrict the use of Medicaid funds to enable Medicaid-eligible individuals to receive support for appropriate and necessary long-term services and supports in the settings of their choice
- Strengthen the ability of Medicaid programs to provide HCBS to people who choose to transition out of institutions
- Put procedures in place to provide quality assurance and improve HCBS

### **Current Proposal**

*Scope:* Motion 22-070 approves an agreement with DSHS for Snohomish County to partner with local hospitals to implement the MFP demonstration program.

*Duration:* July 1, 2021 through December 31, 2023

*Fiscal Implications:* \$195,000

**2022 Budget:** This was not included in the 2022 Grant Work Plan – no match required. Appropriation exists in Dept. 20 – Pending Grants.

2021 – NTE \$39,000; 2022 – NTE \$78,000

**Future Budget Impacts:** 2023 – NTE \$78,000

**Handling:** Normal

**Approved-as-to-form:** N/A – state form agreement

**Risk Management:** YES

**Executive Recommendation:** YES

**Request:** Move this motion to GLS on February 23<sup>rd</sup> for council to consider taking action.

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<sup>1</sup> [Money Follows the Person | Medicaid](#)