

Foundational Community Supports transition assistance program quick reference guide

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What is the role of Wellpoint?

As the TPA of the FCS program, Wellpoint will be managing the transitional assistance program (TAP) funds for FCS. Wellpoint provides administrative oversight of TAP for FCS including contracting, authorizations, reimbursement, quality assurance, and reporting.

What is the Transition Assistance Program (TAP)?

TAP for FCS is a program designed to support Foundational Community Supports-Supportive Housing (FCS-SH) enrollees. It is time-limited, flexible funding assistance that covers housing-related fees, including move-in costs, first and last month's rent, deposits, and non-refundable fees. TAP aligns with the Community Behavioral Health Rental Assistance program (CBRA), Section 8 (project-based and Housing Choice Voucher), and other longer-term rental assistance programs.

Who is eligible?

In order to be eligible for TAP for FCS, an FCS-SH enrollee must meet the following criteria:

- Active FCS-eligible Medicaid. See the FCS Medicaid Eligibility Check
- Authorized by Wellpoint to receive FCS supportive housing services and active FCS-SH enrollment segments in Provider One. See the **FCS Enrollment Inquiry Process Guide**.
- Experiencing a behavioral health treatment need.

How do I request FCS TAP funding for an SH enrollee?

Step 1:

FCS supportive housing provider completes FCS TAP Reimbursement Request Form and sends to Wellpoint for

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Step 2:

Wellpoint responds to TAP for FCS request within five business days with an approval, denial, or rejection requesting more

Step 3:

Once approved, FCS provider receives reimbursement through electronic funds transfer (EFT) or paper check.

What is covered and how much is covered?

FCS-SH enrollees must be making housing transitions to access TAP for FCS funding. FCS-SH enrollees can use TAP for FCS funding with a maximum spending amount of \$5,000 per 12-month period.

Below are TAP reimbursable items and the reimbursement rate of each item.

TAP for FCS funding category	Items covered	Can spend
IDs and other documentation	Identification documents/cardsBirth certificatesSocial Security cards	Up to \$80 each
Application fees	Rental application feesBackground checkCredit check	Up to \$100 each
Transitional housing fees	Fees associated with entering certain transitional housing such as urinalysis	Up to \$100 each
Moving expenses *Can be used once per 12-month period	Moving vehicle rentalMoving supplies	Up to \$300 total
Move-in assistance *Can be used once per 12-month period	 Security, pet, and/or damage deposits First and last month's rent Any appropriate and reasonable non-refundable fees (fees may be annualized) 	 Up to \$5,000 total: Monthly rent must be under 120% Fair Market Rent (FMR) Enrollee must have ability to pay ongoing rent with or without long-term rental assistance

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What items require an exception to policy (ETP) request?

An ETP can be requested if an item is not listed on the approved list above and is a barrier to housing transition or if seeking funding beyond \$5,000 per 12-month period.

TAP for FCS funding category	Items covered	Can spend
Home essentials & sustainability items	• Mattress	ETP required
	Small household appliances	
	Light furnishings	
	Cleaning supplies	
Arrears	Utility	ETP required
	• Rental	
	• Storage	
Home modifications	Reasonably priced home modifications approved by landlords	ETP required