Deinstitutionalizing *Colbert* and *Williams* Class Members
Responsible State Departments

Colbert
- Department on Aging
  - Office of Transitions & Community Relations

Williams
- Department of Human Services
  - Division of Mental Health
The Class Members

- **20,000 Colbert Class Members:**
  - Must have Medicaid or be eligible to receive Medicaid
  - Must reside in a nursing facility or long-term-care facility in Cook County, IL

- **4,000 Williams Class Members:**
  - Must have Medicaid or be eligible to receive Medicaid
  - Must reside in an Institute of Mental Disease (IMD) in Illinois
Housing Goals

- **Colbert Class Members:**
  - Year 1: 300
  - Year 2 (11/8/2014): 800
  - Year 3 (5/8/2015): 1,100
  - To date: c550

- **Williams Class Members:**
  - Year 1: 256 persons
  - Year 2: 640 persons
  - Year 3: 832 persons
  - To date: c1,050
Transition Supports and Services
The Managed Care Organizations (Colbert)

- Managed Care Organizations (MCOs)
  - Aetna Better Health
  - Centene/IlliniCare

- The MCO multidisciplinary team
  - A Health Care Professional
  - A Behavioral Health Specialist
  - Care Coordinators
Community Mental Health Centers

*(Williams and Colbert)*

- Service *Colbert and Williams* Class Members with diagnoses of a Serious Mental Illness (SMI).

- CMHC Responsibility
  - Housing Location
  - Transition Assistance
  - Ongoing community mental health services and other supports
Housing Specialist Agencies  
(*Colbert*)

- *Colbert* Class Members without SMI receive housing location assistance from housing specialist agencies

- The Housing Specialist agencies work with the MCO Care Coordinator and the Class Member to identify appropriate housing and assist with the transition.
Housing Resources

• Bridge Rental Subsidy
  ◦ Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher look-alike
  ◦ Class Member pays 30% of their income towards Fair Market Rent (FMR) or Local Payment Standard, subsidy pays the remainder of the rent
  ◦ Tenant-based or Project-based (Master leasing)

• Transition Funds
  ◦ Colbert $4,000, Williams $2,900
  ◦ Security deposit/move-in fee
  ◦ Utility connection
  ◦ Furniture, food and other necessary household items
Housing Options

- Apartments with private landlords
- Family home
- Federal and State funded properties
- Senior buildings
- Supportive Living Facilities (SLF)
- Clustered Model

Note: Apartments must have private cooking and washing facilities
Accessible Housing

• Home Accessibility Modification Funds
  ◦ Adaptability modifications, e.g., ramps and grab bars
  ◦ Larger construction modifications for things like door widening and roll in showers

• IFF, Home First Illinois (HFI)
  ◦ 70 condos to be bought and renovated in Chicago and suburbs to achieve wheelchair accessibility
  ◦ Key strategy: focus on foreclosures to ensure low acquisition costs. 44% of units have been distressed sales
  ◦ Leased to persons leaving nursing homes
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