



Housing and Services Partnership Accelerator (HSPA)

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TAC is a nonprofit organization dedicated to helping our nation's human services, health care, homelessness, and affordable housing systems implement policies and practices that empower people to live healthy, independent lives in the communities they choose.

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Coordinating Federal Programs for Housing and Health is Complex



Challenges:

- Need for significant cross-sector and cross-program knowledge
- Differences in population definitions, eligibility criteria
- Misaligned enrollment requirements and processes
- Confusion regarding how funds can be braided and blended
- Resource limitations

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The Challenge & Opportunity of Supportive Housing



Longstanding silos

Pairing housing resources with support services

Housing shortages

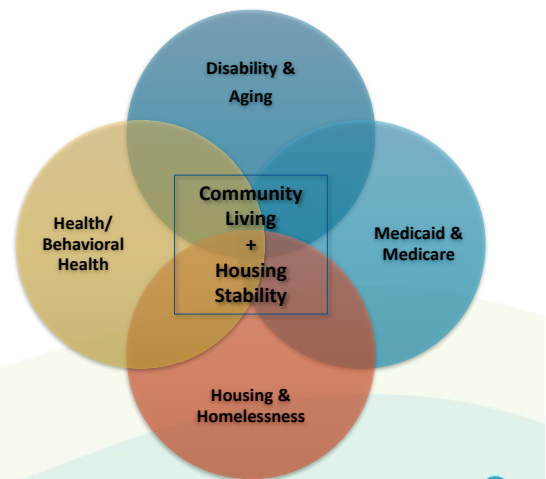
Workforce and provider capacity

Data sharing and integration

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Opportunities to Align Housing, Health, & Social Care

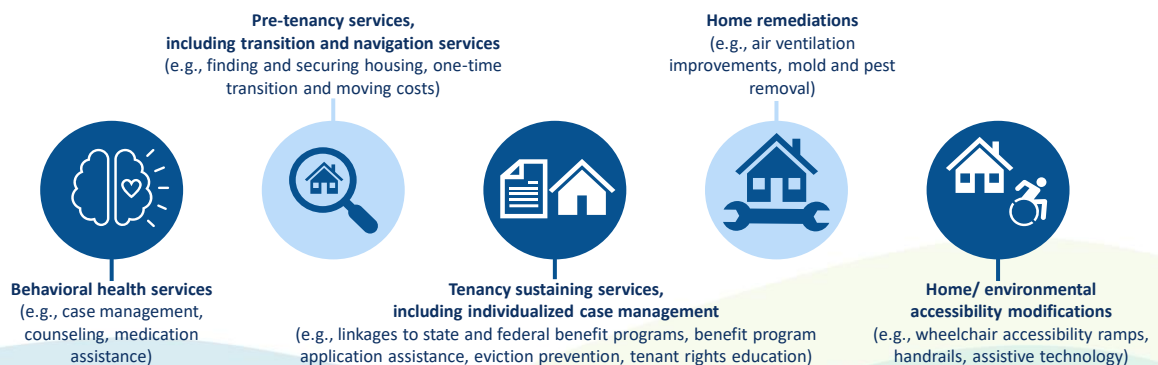
- **Increased attention on health-related social needs (HRSNs), including housing**
 - White House SDOH Playbook, HHS Call to Action, and ongoing federal interagency coordination
- **Medicaid and Medicare HRSN policy updates expand support for addressing HRSNs**
 - Medicaid 1115 demonstrations supporting state investments to address HRSNs
 - In Lieu of Services guidance for HRSNs in Medicaid managed care
 - CMS rules: new screening measures for SDOH for hospitals, physicians, and special needs plans, advanced payment incentives for Medicare ACOs, new codes in [Physician Fee Schedule Final Rule](#)



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Examples of Housing-Related Activities and Supports

Reference: [Coverage of Health-Related Social Needs \(HRSN\) Services in Medicaid](#)

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Advancing Housing Stability and Community Living

- **Goal:** Support states and communities to accelerate the development and implementation of innovative state strategies to provide housing-related activities and supports to persons with disabilities and/or older adults who are experiencing or are at risk of experiencing homelessness.
- **Why?** The coordination of housing assistance and wrap-around supportive services—such as in the form of supportive housing—is a proven, cost-effective approach to assisting people with disabilities and chronic/complex health conditions to transition from homelessness, exit or avoid institutional settings, and live in the community.

Benefits



Opportunity to develop and expand knowledgebase



Access to technical assistance to support state activities



Increased capacity to implement and strengthen strategies for providing housing-related activities, supports, and services



Implement a whole-of-government approach to address housing stability

Learn More:

<https://acl.gov/HousingAndServices/Accelerator>

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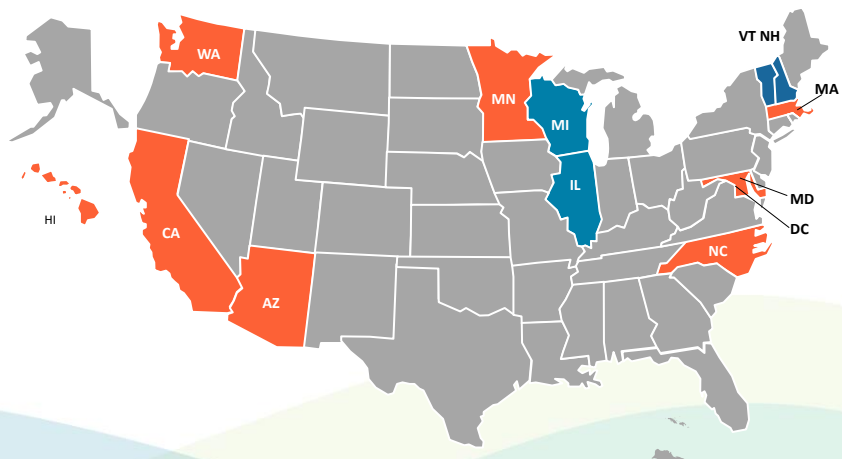
Participating States & Medicaid Authorities for Coverage of Housing-Related Services & Supports

1115 Demonstrations

- Arizona
- California [w/1915(b)]
- Hawaii
- Maryland [pilot]
- Massachusetts
- North Carolina [pilot]
- Washington
- Illinois
- Vermont [Pilot]

1915(i) SPAs

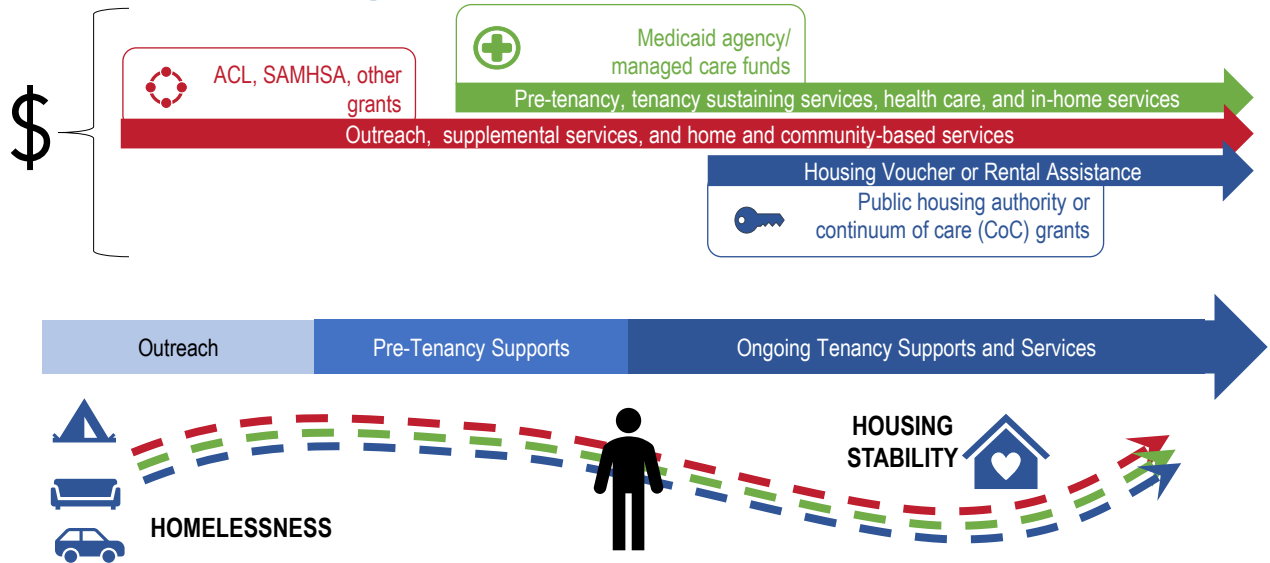
- Washington DC
- Minnesota
- New Hampshire
- Michigan



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Housing, Health, & Social Care: Example



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Importance of State & Local Housing Partners in Implementing Medicaid Housing Supports

- HSPA states recognize that limited affordable housing supply & access to subsidized housing resources as challenges to ensuring housing availability for those eligible for & receiving Medicaid housing supports
- Effective design, implementation & scaling of Medicaid housing-related benefits requires strong housing sector partnerships
- State & local housing agencies who support the development of affordable & supportive housing are critical partners for state Medicaid agencies to engage to ensure the availability of & access to these resources

Scaling Medicaid-Funded Tenancy Sustaining Services in Affordable and Supportive Housing

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Housing and service strategies that work for people

