GETTING PAID TO CARE FOR DAD · PART 1 · FREE PRINTABLE

Is CDS a Fit for Our Family?

In Missouri's Consumer Directed Services program, the person who needs care chooses their own caregiver, often someone they already know and trust.

The basics for the person who needs care

- ☐ 18 or older
- ☐ Active Missouri Medicaid (MO HealthNet)
- ☐ Needs help with daily activities, like bathing, dressing, meals or getting around
- ☐ Lives in their own home, not a nursing home
- ☐ Can direct their own care: choose the caregiver, set the schedule, and say what help they need

Who they might want as their caregiver

Name: _____

How they know them: _____

Another choice: _____

The caregiver must be 18 or older, legally able to work in the U.S., and pass the state's background screening. A spouse, or a court-appointed guardian or conservator, can't be paid. That's a Missouri rule.

Questions to ask your mom or dad

- ✓ Would you want help at home with the things that have gotten harder?
- ✓ If you could choose anyone, who would you want?
- ✓ What days and times would help most?
- ✓ What would you want to stay in charge of?

Their answers, in their own words

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Next step: ask them first. In CDS, the person who needs care is the boss. Then take the two-minute check at caringcds.com, or call us at (417) 218-2888.

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