



## WHAT IS TRANSITIONS TO COMMUNITY LIVING (TCL)?

The TCL initiative has its roots in the 1999 Supreme Court ruling relating to Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), also known as the Olmstead decision, which prohibited the unjustified segregation of individuals with disabilities. The U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) found many individuals with SPMI in North Carolina were living in adult care homes and state psychiatric facilities – living situations which violated the requirements under the Olmstead decision.

This means:

- Individual choice is valued and supported
- Individuals should be given the option to live in the least restrictive setting
- An individual's community of choice should support integration and not limit access to neighborhood resources.

## WHAT ARE THE STEPS?

- An In-Reach Specialist will inform the individual about the opportunities provided by the Olmstead Settlement Agreement between the state of NC and the US Department of Justice. They can then initiate the transition process.
- A Transition Coordinator will work with the individual to identify and secure housing.
- Alliance will help the individual with initial housing setup and move-in costs.
- Ongoing rental assistance and continued tenancy support services will be provided.
- Alliance will assist the individual in finding and helping keep employment
- Access to healthcare services will be provided.

### COMPLETE CARE

*From your physical health to behavioral health, we strive to help you meet all of your individual needs.*

### DIGNITY & RESPECT

*We strive to be inclusive and honor your culture and values.*

### COMPASSION

*Our work is driven by you and understanding the importance of community in each of our lives.*



IN-REACH SPECIALIST \_\_\_\_\_

