

## Waiver Homes Person Centered Choice Policy

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## I. Purpose

To ensure member is fully in charge of directing his or her life and there are no barriers to choice making within the setting.

## II. Policy

It will be the policy of UCP of Maine Waiver Program to have staff support the members to design and direct their person-centered schedule and his/her life. Staff will support member to discover what options of choice are available in all aspects of life, and how to access these options.

## III. Procedure

Through the PCP process and ongoing dialogue with member, staff will seek interests of the member. Staff will research community options to present ideas and options to members. Staff will share options with member for any topic the member explores such as food, employment, volunteering, visitation, shopping, travel, hobbies, etc.

Staff will support member to develop a periodic schedule to help plan their life. The member will make all decisions on what they will do. Staff will not place restrictions on member choice. Staff will also support member in spontaneous decision- making. Staff will remain flexible to schedule changes and non-scheduled activities.

There will be no time barriers established by the program. The program will not mandate specific meal-times, quiet times, or times when a member cannot access the community. Member will have twenty- four hour per day choice making ability.

Staff will have training at hire and ongoing to ensure they fully support the Person Centered Choice model. The agency will monitor staff to ensure compliance. The only exceptions to the Member Choice model is if there was a plan in the PCP that had restrictions and the IDT has approved these specific restrictions.

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Date