Planning 4 LTC

To Qualify for Medicaid LTC

A client must qualify in 3 ways:

- 1. Qualify financially
- 2. Qualify functionally
- 3. Be in a facility that accepts Medicaid OR at home with a provider that accepts Medicaid.

Step 1	Apply for Medicaid at www.washingtonconnection.org
Step 2	Receive a letter from DSHS asking for information about your household to see if you financially qualify.
Step 3	Call the "Public Benefits Specialist" who's name is on the letter to schedule the financial interview.
Step 4	Once the interview is finished, the public benefits specialist might request documents. Send the documents requested by the public benefits specialist to DSHS.
Step 5	The social worker will schedule an appointment to visit the client who needs the assistance to perform an assessment to determine if the client qualifies functionally. Once the social worker has finished they will send you document to sign to approve the care.
Step 6	Once financial case manager agrees that the client financially qualifies and the social worker has done the assessment and the client is in a facility that accepts Medicaid. The public benefits specialist will "open" the case and send a qualification letter.
10 months later	Approximately 10 months later the public benefits specialist will send a letter and ask for information to see if the client still qualifies.