# Life Transitions

### Why is addressing life transitions important?

Nelson worked as an electrician for 30 years. He is about to retire to do the things he loves and spend more time with his family. He also looked forward to being able to help family more. As retirement grew closer, he wondered if he should make a plan for his finances and his health. He received financial planning assistance from the Medical Legal Partnership, and his provider worked with him to create a goal of care. Nelson now feels more confident about his retirement, knowing he has plans for his future. Aging brings about life transitions that can impact your health, overall wellness, and family. By making a plan and getting the support you need, you can take care of yourself and your family.

# What are some considerations for life transitions?

- Recent injury or illness making you feel like you are not able to safely take care of yourself or others.
- Upcoming life changes
  (for example: retirement
  or moving to a new
  community) making
  you feel anxious or
  under pressure.

How you navigate life transitions is important and can be difficult if you have not planned for it. If you are planning a trip, you need to know where you are going and what to bring. Aging is no different. It is important to have these conversations in case of an accident or big life change.

#### Questions to ask yourself:

- What goals are you working toward?
- · Will you need help?
- Who can you reach out to if you do need help?
- Do you have the finances/resources to pay for the things you need?



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#### What can you do?

Talk with someone you trust.

· Reach out to your support system.

#### Where can you find support?

Contact your primary care team directly or call Benteh Nuutah Valley Native Primary Care Center ......(907) 631-7800

Your Primary Care Team <a> \infty</a>

Your primary care team can assist with decisions and make sure your voice is heard.

Community resource specialists can connect you with programs and resources at SCF and in the community.

☑ Behavioral Health Consultants ② ......(907) 631-7800

Behavioral health consultants can provide support for life transitions.

☑ Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium Elder Outreach <a>©</a> .........................(907) 729-3602

Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium Elder Outreach an provide services and resources to help you stay connected and meet your goals.

Family Health Resource can assist with applying for Medicaid, Medicare and other Public Assistance programs.

☐ Medical Legal Partnership ......(907) 729-4451

Medical Legal Partnership can provide legal support with advance directives, wills, estate planning and more.

Traditional Healing can assist with changing roles as you age, and provide support with body work for

physical changes.



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