

What is succession of tenancy?

Succession of tenancy is when Housing Plus agrees to transfer a client's right to live in a Housing Plus property to another member of the household. This usually occurs if the head tenant dies, or is in prison or hospital/nursing home for a very long time.

If the property is no longer suitable for the household size we may ask you to transfer to a more appropriate property when one comes available.

The right to a succession of tenancy is only granted to those who:

- ✓ Are the spouse or defacto partner of the head tenant, or are an adult child or other approved household member, or are the legal guardian of the children of the household;
- ✓ Are not responsible for tenancy breaches; and
- ✓ Have lived at the property for a reasonable period of time; and
- ✓ Meet social housing eligibility; and
- ✓ Were living in the property at the time the head tenant left.

How to apply?

1



Ask your Housing Officer for an application for succession of tenancy form. In consultation with the Housing Services Manager, a decision will be made on whether you are eligible for succession of tenancy in this particular property.

2



If you are approved, you will either be offered a tenancy in the current property or in a new property that will better meet your needs.

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If you are not eligible you will be notified in writing. If you disagree with the decision you have the right of appeal, see our Complaints and Feedback factsheet.

