

Questions to help you find an Assisted Living Facility right for you...

YES	NO	QUESTION
		As you arrive at the residence, do you like its location and outward appearance?
		As you enter the lobby and tour the residence, is the decor attractive and homelike?
		Do you receive a warm greeting from staff welcoming you to the residence?
		Does the administrator/staff call residents by name and interact warmly with them as you tour the residence?
		Do residents socialize with each other and appear happy and comfortable?
		Do residents seem to be appropriate housemates for you or your loved one?
		Are staff members that pass you during your tour friendly to you?
		Are visits with the resident welcome at any time?
		Is the community well-designed for your needs?
		Is the floor plan easy to follow?
		Are elevators available for those unable to use stairways?
		Are handrails available to aid in walking?
		Are floors of a non-skid materials and carpets firm for easy walking?
		Is the residence clean, free of odors, and appropriately heated/cooled?
		Does the residence have a means of security if a resident wanders?
		Is there a written plan of care for each resident?
		Does the residence have a process for assessing a potential resident's need for services and are those needs addressed periodically?
		Are additional services available if a resident's needs change?

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		Are there different costs for various levels or categories of services?
		Does the residence have specific policies regarding storage of medication, assistance with medications, training and supervision of staff and record keeping?
		Is self-administration of medication allowed?
		Is staff available to assist residents who experience memory, orientation or judgement losses?
		Does the residence have a clearly stated procedure for responding to a resident's medical emergency?
		Does a physician or nurse visit regularly to provide medical checkups?
		Is the staff available to meet scheduled and unscheduled needs?
		Is staff available to provide 24-hour assistance with activities of daily living if needed?
		Does the residence arrange for transportation?
		Are pharmacy, barber/beautician, and/or physical therapy services offered on-site?
		Are units for single and double occupancy available?
		Is a 24-hour emergency response system accessible from the unit?
		Do all units have a telephone and cable or satellite TV? How is billing handled?
		May residents keep food in their units?
		May residents decorate their own units?
		Is there evidence of organized activities, such as a posted daily schedule, events in progress etc?
		Does the residence create a sense of community by encouraging residents to participate in the activities?

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		Do dining menus vary from day to day and meal to meal?
		Does the residence provide three nutritionally balanced meals a day, seven days a week?
		Are snacks available?
		May a resident request special foods?
		May residents eat meals in their units?
		May meals be provided at a time a resident would like, or are there set times?
		Other comments: