

1: Nebraska Social Services for Aged & Disabled Adults

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State and Local Programs In addition to the above, many health-related programs exist at the state and local level. These programs are often funded through the Department of Health and Human Services. Though some programs exist through local funding. SAIL provides services such as home health aides, home delivered meals, home nursing, homemaking services, etc. Many such state and local programs exist for qualifying seniors. Your local Area Agency on Aging can help you find these services. [Click here for an AAA in your community.](#) Health Insurance Counseling Another big issue for seniors across all socioeconomic levels is resolving health insurance claims, understanding bills, and simply filing for benefits. Each state has its own counseling program, often listed under a different name. Unfortunately for seniors on Medicare, their options for dental care are somewhat limited unless enrolled in an Advantage Plan. Seniors do, however, have options thanks to the generosity of dental professionals across the country. The following organizations provide a network of dental services from volunteer dentists, hygienists and labs. Another resource for finding free or inexpensive dental and medical care is [Freemedicalcamps](#). Nine percent of SNAP benefits go to seniors. There are several reasons for this. Some mistakenly believe that the benefit amount is too small to bother with. To find out if you may be eligible, an easy-to-use online resource. You can also see the eligibility requirements as well as how much you may receive in benefits, [here](#). Other Food Assistance Resources A good starting place to find food assistance programs in your state is at [Benefitscheckup](#). The CSFP provides qualifying seniors a monthly food package. You can pick up foods local food pantries or soup kitchens. To find contacts for your state, go to the [Food Distribution Programs](#) page. Finally, you can call The National Hunger Hotline to help you find food where you live. They also have a search tool to help you find food options in your area. Transportation Getting to the doctor, the grocery store and other necessities is crucial for seniors to remain independent. But maintaining a car is not a possibility for many whether due to cost or physical disability. Transportation is particularly acute for rural residents who may live miles from the nearest store, doctor, or pharmacy. In addition to public options bus, metro, etc. Local senior centers, Area Agencies on Aging AAA , and faith-based volunteer driver programs are just some of the sources of senior transportation. For help finding transportation resources in your area, call or click on [Eldercare Locator](#). To find public transportation options in your area, go to the [American Public Transportation Association](#). Other Ways to Lower Your Expenses Money Management Learning how to get control of your bills with a budget is one of the best things you can do for yourself financially.

2: Elderly housing with supportive social services can reduce hospital use, study finds

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Background Social housing provides secure, affordable housing for people with a housing need on low incomes. For more information on social housing, see the Housing Assistance Options Policy. **Social housing and Housing Pathways** Applying for social housing The social housing sector provides most forms of social housing assistance in NSW under Housing Pathways. For information on what assistance clients can access through Housing Pathways, see the Housing Assistance Options Policy. **Provider preference** When applying for social housing, clients may choose to receive offers of social housing for properties managed by any social housing provider, FACS only, or a community housing provider only. However, in some locations there may only be one social housing provider. In this situation, a client may not be able to choose their preferred social housing provider. Clients may change their preference of social housing providers at any time before they receive an offer of housing. FACS and participating community housing providers will then use this register to offer housing when a suitable property in the social housing sector is available. The intent of this policy is to outline the eligibility criteria for social housing in NSW. The Social Housing Eligibility and Allocations Policy Supplement provides further information to support this document. **Scope** This policy applies to all applicants for social housing under Housing Pathways. **Policy statement** To ensure that social housing assists clients who are most in need, the eligibility criteria for social housing concentrates on assisting: Clients on low income that need support to help them live independently, and Clients on low income that have problems finding affordable housing in the private market that is suited to their needs. **Participating social housing providers** will assess eligibility and priority assistance for clients seeking social housing. All participating providers will accept the outcome of this assessment. When an assessment is complete, the provider will notify the client in writing of the outcome of the assessment. If a client has any changes in their household circumstances, they must advise a social housing provider within 28 days of the change occurring. This includes any changes to contact details, the people the client may wish to include in their household or any changes to the income of any member of their household. **Eligibility for social housing** To be eligible for social housing, clients must: Establish their identity, and Be resident in New South Wales NSW , and Be a citizen or have permanent residency in Australia, and Have a household income within the income eligibility limits, and Not own any assets or property which could reasonably be expected to resolve their housing need, and Be able to sustain a successful tenancy, without support or with appropriate support in place, and If applicable, make repayments of any former debts to a social housing provider, and In general, be at least 18 years of age. Notwithstanding anything in this policy, a client may be ineligible for housing assistance including social housing, temporary accommodation and private rental assistance if: He or she has a history of having committed registrable offences, and It is likely that the presence of that client in social housing will: **Establishing identity** Clients applying for social housing must provide two forms of acceptable identification for each person on their application who is aged 18 years and over. If the client or their partner are under 18 years of age they must also provide two forms of acceptable proof of identification. The two forms of identification must be from a different source. For more information see item 1 on the Evidence Requirements Information Sheet. The exception to this is Temporary Accommodation assistance. The initial instance of assistance may be provided to clients who have one form of identification only. A second form of identification must be provided before the client can receive further assistance. However, social housing providers may waive the NSW residency rule in certain circumstances. For more information, go to **Compelling reasons to waive the NSW residency rule**. For more information see item 2 on the Evidence Requirements Information Sheet. **Citizenship or permanent residency** Clients applying for social housing must be an Australian citizen or permanent resident. For the purposes of this policy New Zealand citizens granted a Special Category Visa who are classified as Protected and not under a sponsorship arrangement are considered

permanent residents. Clients who are eligible to apply for social housing include those who: Clients are required to provide proof of citizenship or permanent residency. For more information, go to Proof of citizenship or permanent residency. Generally, other household members must be permanent residents, but there are some exceptions. For more information, go to Exceptions to the permanent residency rule. Income eligibility To determine whether a household meets the income eligibility for social housing, providers will: For more information, go to Household income. Apply a number of income eligibility limits and assessment rules. For more information, go to Income eligibility limits and Income eligibility assessment rules. Clients applying for social housing must provide proof of income. For more information go to Proof of income and assets. There are no minimum income criteria. Permanent residents with no income are able to apply. Where a client declines to apply for a Centrelink income, the social housing provider will assess the client as receiving a basic Centrelink income support payment, for example, Newstart Allowance. Disability allowances Clients or household members who have expenses due to a disability, medical condition or permanent injury may be entitled to a disability allowance or exceptional disability allowance. These allowances have the effect of raising the income limit in recognition of additional expenses incurred with a disability, medical condition or permanent injury. For more information, go to Disability allowance. Exception to the income eligibility rule An exception to the income eligibility rule occurs when a client who requires a live-in carer meets all the eligibility criteria for social housing, but the inclusion of the income of the carer results in the application exceeding the income eligibility limit for social housing. In this situation, the social housing provider will assess the client as a single applicant. If the provider approves their application, the client will be entitled to an extra bedroom for the live in carer. For more information see item 21 on the Evidence Requirements Information Sheet. If the client accepts an offer of public housing, the carer cannot sign the tenancy agreement and will have no tenancy rights. This means that the carer will be required to leave the property if the client stops living in the property for any reason. Indexing income eligibility limits On behalf of the social housing sector, FACS reviews and indexes all household income eligibility limits, including disability allowances, to keep pace with the cost of living. Assessable Income Assessable incomes are incomes that social housing providers include when calculating income eligibility for social housing. Incomes that providers usually consider as assessable include payments received for general living expenses, for example: These income types are also known as statutory income. Wages, salaries and some work allowances such as overtime, bonuses, shift allowances and penalty rates. These income types are also known as non-statutory income. Other income such as regular superannuation, compensation, interest from savings and maintenance. Where an adult person in a household receives an income for a child for example, Family Tax Benefits or child support payments , this is considered assessable income for the adult person, not the child. For more information, go to Assessable income and assets. Non-assessable income Non-assessable incomes are incomes that social housing providers do not include when calculating income eligibility for social housing. Incomes that providers usually consider as non-assessable include payments received for a specific purpose, such as allowances received to assist with a particular life circumstance or disability. Income for self-employed clients Social housing providers calculate the income for self-employed clients by looking at their gross income less legitimate business expenses. Providers class legitimate business expenses as any expense essential for producing an income. Some items may be allowable as tax deductions, but providers may not consider them legitimate business expenses. For more information on legitimate business expenses, go to Legitimate business expenses. Clients who own or part own property If the client or their partner owns or has a share in property including land that could provide a viable alternative to social housing, they are not eligible for social housing if they are able to: Live in the property, or Sell their equity in the property. Clients are required to provide proof of property ownership. For more information see item 7 on the Evidence Requirements Information Sheet. Social housing providers may waive the property ownership rule in certain cases. For more information, go to Waiving the property ownership rule. Relocatable homeowners Owners of relocatable mobile homes, which are located on a leased site, are able to apply for social housing. They must meet all eligibility criteria. The social housing provider will consider the value of the relocatable home as a liquid asset, for example, savings. Ability to sustain a successful tenancy To be eligible for social housing, the client

must be able to sustain a successful tenancy. This means that they must be able to meet the obligations of their tenancy, without support or with appropriate support in place. When determining whether social housing is the most appropriate housing option for an applicant, the social housing provider will consider whether the applicant is able to: Pay their rent, and Look after their property, and Not cause or allow antisocial behaviour, and Live independently without support or with appropriate support in place, and Live in the property on an ongoing basis. Where the client needs support to maintain a tenancy, they must show that they have access to and are willing to engage with appropriate support services. Social housing providers will make appropriate referrals to other agencies in situations where the client has not accessed available support services. A living skills assessment from an external support agency, or An independent living skills report from their support worker. Four criteria must be addressed in an independent living skills report. For more information, go to Criteria to be addressed in an independent living skills report. Former social housing tenants or occupants

When a tenant or occupant of a property managed by a social housing provider including an Aboriginal housing property leaves, the provider will categorise their previous tenancy as: Eligible for a statement of satisfactory tenancy, or Satisfactory former social housing tenant , or Less than satisfactory former social housing tenant or occupant, or Unsatisfactory former social housing tenant, or Ineligible former social housing tenant. Additional occupants with a history of substantiated antisocial behaviour may also receive a less than satisfactory category. For more information on each of these categories, go to Ending a tenancy

Categorising a tenancy or occupancy. When a former social housing tenant or occupant is included in an application for social housing either the application is in their name or they are part of the household , the provider who managed the former tenancy will review the tenancy history. They will determine eligibility for social housing and any conditions that need to be met before a request for housing assistance can be approved. Housing providers will need to be satisfied that a former tenant or occupant has the ability to sustain a tenancy, without support or with appropriate support in place. The provider will also consider whether other people who lived in the previous tenancy can be part of any future household.

3: Department of Human Services | Division of Aging Services (DoAS)

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Cultural and geographic differences[edit] A nurse at a nursing home in Norway The form of care provided for older adults varies greatly among countries and is changing rapidly. One must also account for an increasingly large proportion older people worldwide, especially in developing nations, as continued pressure is put on limiting fertility and decreasing family size. There were more than 36, assisted living facilities in the United States in , according to the Assisted Living Federation of America [12] in More than 1 million senior citizens are served by these assisted living facilities. It costs less than nursing home care but is still considered expensive for most people. One relatively new service in the United States that can help keep older people in their homes longer is respite care. Another unique type of care cropping in U. In these care homes, elderly Canadians may pay for their care on a sliding scale, based on annual income. The scale that they are charged on depends on whether they are considered "Long Term Care" or "Assisted Living. An Australian statutory authority , the Productivity Commission , conducted a review of aged care commencing in and reporting in Around a million people received government-subsidised aged care services, most of these receiving low-level community care support, with people in permanent residential care. This culminated in the Productivity Commission report and subsequent reform proposals. People who have minimal savings or other assets are provided with care either in the home from visiting carers or by moving to a residential care home or nursing home. This is true for both those who will receive state funding for their care and those who will have to pay for it themselves out of savings or by selling other assets. Larger numbers of old people need help because of an aging population and medical advances, but less is being paid out by the government to help them. A million people who need care get neither formal nor informal help. OAA provides a monthly stipend to all citizens over 70 and widows over These day care services are very expensive and out of reach for the general public. Thailand[edit] Thailand has observed global patterns of an enlarging elderly class: Private care is tough to follow, often based on assumptions. Because children are less likely to care for their parents, private caretakers are in demand. Parents are typically cared for by their children into old age, most commonly by their sons. Traditional values demand honor and respect for older, wiser people. Reports of poor health were clustered among the poor, single, lower-educated and economically inactive groups. Article 41 of the Indian Constitution states that elderly citizens will be guaranteed Social Security support for health care and welfare. Barely existent now, both institutional and community-based services will need to expand to meet the growing need. China is still at an earlier stage in economic development and will be challenged to build these services and train staff. Medicare does not pay unless skilled-nursing care is needed and given in certified skilled nursing facilities or by a skilled nursing agency in the home. However, Medicare pays for some skilled care if the elderly person meets the requirements for the Medicare home health benefit. Similarly, in the United Kingdom the National Health Service provides medical care for the elderly, as for all, free at the point of use, but social care is paid for by the state only in Scotland. England, Wales and Northern Ireland have failed to introduce any legislation on the matter and so social care is not funded by public authorities unless a person has exhausted their private resources, such as by selling the home. L Experts claim that vulnerable UK people do not get what they need. If residents are confused or have communication difficulties, it may be very difficult for relatives or other concerned parties to be sure of the standard of care being given, and the possibility of elder abuse is a continuing source of concern. The Adult Protective Services Agency, a component of the human service agency in most states, is typically responsible for investigating reports of domestic elder abuse and providing families with help and guidance. Other professionals who may be able to help include doctors or nurses, police officers, lawyers, and social workers. Dignity of risk Promoting independence in self-care can provide older adults with the capability to maintain independence longer and can leave them with a sense of achievement when they complete a task unaided. Older adults that require assistance with activities of daily living are at a greater risk of losing their independence with self-care tasks as

dependent personal behaviours are often met with reinforcement from caregivers. Caregivers need to be conscious of actions and behaviors that cause older adults to become dependent on them and need to allow older patients to maintain as much independence as possible. Providing information to the older patient on why it is important to perform self-care may allow them to see the benefit in performing self-care independently. If the older adult is able to complete self-care activities on their own, or even if they need supervision, encourage them in their efforts as maintaining independence can provide them with a sense of accomplishment and the ability to maintain independence longer. As adults lose the ability to walk, to climb stairs, and to rise from a chair, they become completely disabled. The problem cannot be ignored because people over 65 constitute the fastest growing segment of the U. Therapy designed to improve mobility in elderly patients is usually built around diagnosing and treating specific impairments, such as reduced strength or poor balance. It is appropriate to compare older adults seeking to improve their mobility to athletes seeking to improve their split times. People in both groups perform best when they measure their progress and work toward specific goals related to strength, aerobic capacity , and other physical qualities. Today, many caregivers choose to focus on leg strength and balance. New research suggests that limb velocity and core strength may also be important factors in mobility. The family is one of the most important providers for the elderly. In fact, the majority of caregivers for the elderly are often members of their own family, most often a daughter or a granddaughter. Family and friends can provide a home i. Hyponatremia is the most common electrolyte disorder encountered in the elderly patient population. Studies have shown that older patients are more prone to hyponatremia as a result of multiple factors including physiologic changes associated with aging such as decreases in glomerular filtration rate, a tendency for defective sodium conservation, and increased vasopressin activity. Mild hyponatremia ups the risk of fracture in elderly patients because hyponatremia has been shown to cause subtle neurologic impairment that affects gait and attention, similar to that of moderate alcohol intake. It requires that a person file a petition with the local courts, stating the elderly person lacks the capacity to carry out activities that include making medical decisions, voting, making gifts, seeking public benefits, marrying, managing property and financial affairs, choosing where to live and who they socialize with. A less restrictive alternative to legal incapacity is the use of "advance directives," powers of attorney, trusts , living wills and healthcare directives. The person who has such documents in place should have prepared them with their attorney when that person had capacity. Then, if the time comes that the person lacks capacity to carry out the tasks laid out in the documents, the person they named their agent can step in to make decisions on their behalf. The agent has a duty to act as that person would have done so and to act in their best interest.

4: Florida Department of Elder Affairs - Programs and Services

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Now a person turns 65 every 10 seconds. By , the number of persons 65 and older will reach . Many in this enormous human wave will need affordable living options once they stop working and there are several HUD programs to help seniors. With the recent economic collapse, many older adults find themselves in an unexpected position entirely. Senior living is a general term that includes all kinds of senior-centered housing: Even if you never need senior living care , you may find yourself in a position where you have to make a lifestyle change. Asking yourself the important questions is a great place to start. Retirement Living Considerations It may be years after you retire that you need to make a major living change. Here are some questions to think about as you prepare for your retirement: Where do I want to live when retired? Where can I afford to live after I stop working? Should I downsize and move into an apartment or condominium? Do I want to live in a senior community with people my age? Do I still feel safe in my current neighborhood? Do I want to be closer to family? Could I afford the cost of assisted care? Can friends and family provide assistance with daily living if I need it? If your current or future financial circumstances call for a drastic reduction in cost of living, HUD may have a program that can help. Department of Housing and Urban Development HUD creates affordable housing for citizens across the country by funding programs for rent assistance, home ownership, and assistive services for seniors and the disabled. HUD helps more than , seniors with affordable housing through its programs. There are three types of affordable rent programs: Multifamily Subsidized Housing is privately owned housing that is subsidized by HUD and provides tenants with affordable housing. Housing Vouchers provide rental assistance to individuals and families for housing in the private market. The waiting lists are often long from two to five years , especially in metro areas. For those in need of assisted care, HUD options are limited. HUD programs are designed primarily for independent seniors. It is the largest assisted housing program administered by HUD. There are two kinds of vouchers: Tenant based vouchers TBVs move with the renter. Project based vouchers PBVs are assigned to particular units and buildings and are not transferable. There is no age requirement. Income such as pensions, retirement accounts, IRAs, insurance annuities, and assets such as real estate, cars, etc. ARE counted when assessing eligibility. Housing Depending on your location, housing options can include single-family homes, townhouses and even apartments. Rent Amounts Rental amount is calculated by using the greatest of: PHAs pay the property owner directly and the residents pay the difference to the property owner. How Do I Apply? Apply at your local PHA. They will collect information on family income tax returns, bank statements, Social Security, etc. Medical expenses, health insurance payments, prescriptions and future medical expenses are taken into consideration. Once you apply, you are placed on a waiting list. Because of the demand, waiting lists are often several years long. Ask your application to be pre-qualified for income that way you know ahead of time if you qualify. And ask about local preferences e. The applicant must find an approved financing source to purchase the home. The home must pass an inspection by the PHA and an independent inspector before the family can purchase. The PHA will make the voucher payment to either the lender or the family. There is no time limit to receive assistance under this program for the elderly and disabled. Contact your local PHA for assistance. Not all PHAs offer this program. You can find a list of participating PHAs here. Lowering your payments Help paying a second mortgage Help with fallen home value Leaving your home and avoiding foreclosure Mortgage modification for those in the military See MakingHomeaffordable. Multifamily Subsidized Housing Programs Section Supportive Housing for the Elderly The rent-assisted housing in this program is designed specifically for seniors and the disabled to live as independently as possible but who may need some assistance with activities of daily living ADLs such as dressing and bathing. Common features of these communities include housekeeping, transportation , referral services, and counseling. The types of services and amenities will vary by senior housing community. HUD provides loans to private, nonprofit organizations to finance the construction of supportive housing for very low-income seniors and provides rent

subsidies. The average resident age is Type of Housing for Seniors Typically, one-bedroom apartments with kitchen and bath, plus special features such as grab bars, ramps, nonskid flooring, etc. Other features include housekeeping, transportation to health care , home-delivered meals. Rent Amount Rental amount is calculated by using the greatest of: Contact the individual housing community you are interested in. Wait lists are usually at least a year. These communities provide residents at least one hot meal per day in a group setting, 7 days per week. Other non-medical services provided include housekeeping, personal assistance, transportation and social services. Contact your local PHA to see if the program is available at area elderly housing locations.

Type of Housing These are multifamily housing units: Contact your local PHA. For a list by state, go here.

Supportive Housing for Persons with Disabilities Program Section This purpose of this program is to enable those with disabilities to live as independently as possible in a housing environment that provides supportive services. Services may include personal assistance; meals; housekeeping; counseling; training in independent living skills; recreation and transportation. HUD awards funds to private non-profit organizations to be used to finance the construction or rehabilitation of supportive housing for persons with disabilities. There are two types of funding programs: Housing Group homes of eight or fewer units are single family structures that combine multiple bedrooms with a kitchen and shared living area. There is at least one bathroom for every four residents. Condominium or cooperative units are independent living facilities that can be cooperatively owned by the residents. Independent living complexes consist of 16 or fewer units where each dwelling contains a kitchen and bathroom. This housing may also contain congregate dining, laundry, and community areas. You can find out more on this program and the available properties by contacting your local HUD office. For a listing of regional HUD offices, visit this page.

Public Housing Public housing is rental housing for low-income families, the elderly and those with disabilities. Over 1 million families live in public housing. Income limits will vary based on area. Your local PHA can provide those limits. Once you are accepted in public housing, you must live in the community where you are accepted.

Type of Housing Public housing can include everything from single-family homes, to duplexes to high-rise apartments. Contact your local public housing agency to apply. You will need to provide proof of income such as tax returns, bank statements, Social Security award letters, etc. Preferences are usually given to the elderly and disabled. Activities necessary for one to maintain independence. These typically include eating, dressing, bathing, toileting, and transferring. These rent estimates are used as a guide for determining initial rental payments based on unit size. Deductions include dependents; status as elderly or disable family; unreimbursed expenses for childcare, medical expenses elderly and disabled only ; and disability assistance. Income limits are adjusted for family size and for areas with unusually high or low family income housing-cost-to-income relationships. Qualifying income and assets are combined when determining income eligibility. Income and assets include all amounts that are derived in a month period to which any member of the family has access to. Income Sources HUD counts the following main sources when considering income for its programs:

5: Senior Housing: Assisted Living Facilities, Independent Living, and Other Housing Options

A total of 39 California Senior Legal Services Projects assist the state's seniors and adults with disabilities with a variety of legal problems concerning housing, consumer fraud, elder abuse, Social Security, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Medicare, Medi-Cal, age discrimination, pensions, nursing homes, protective services.

Largely funded by taxes Life expectancy in Sweden is among the highest in the world: Since more and more citizens in this age group are in good health, their care requirements have declined since the s. Most elderly care is funded by municipal taxes and government grants. In , the total cost of elderly care in Sweden was SEK Healthcare costs paid by the elderly themselves are subsidised and based on specified rate schedules. Public or private More municipalities are choosing to privatise parts of their elderly care, letting private care providers run their operations. All recipients can choose whether they want their home help or special housing to be provided by public or private operators. The municipality always has overall responsibility, however, for areas such as funding and allocating home help or a place in a special housing facility. The number of private companies in the social service sector increased fivefold between and Media investigations have unearthed alarming shortfalls among several private care companies. In subsequent criticism, the companies were accused of letting profit have a negative impact on the standard of care. How the elderly live Swedish municipalities planning housing and residential areas are required to ensure that they meet the needs of elderly people and those with disabilities. These accessibility requirements have been given greater prominence in legislation over the years. In such homes, accessibility is a priority. Some are newly built, while others are regular homes that have been made more accessible as part of conversion or renovation work. Training programmes for staff Elderly care today is more advanced and complicated than in the past. Much of the care and treatment once provided in hospitals is now provided in the home, which makes it essential to have efficient, multi-professional teams capable of working with elderly people and their families. To ensure high standards, the government recently invested SEK 1 billion in additional training programmes for staff working in elderly care, and is investing another SEK million in Various forms of support help people continue to live in their own homes. This includes living in their own homes as long as possible. Elderly people who continue to live at home can obtain various kinds of support to make life easier. For example, almost all municipalities in Sweden offer ready-cooked meals that can be home-delivered. In , home help staff assisted around , people aged 65 or over. Around the clock When an elderly person is no longer able to cope with the demands of everyday life, he or she can apply for assistance from municipally funded home-help services. The extent of such care is subject to an assessment of need. Elderly people with disabilities can receive assistance around the clock, which means that many are able to remain at home throughout their lives. The severely ill, too, can be provided with health and social care in their own homes. Each municipality decides its own rates for elderly care. Municipalities offer daytime activities for elderly and disabled people in need of stimulation and rehabilitation. These activities primarily target those with dementia or mental disabilities. Daytime activities help many to continue to live in their homes. Transportation services The elderly and disabled also qualify for transportation services in taxis or specially adapted vehicles. This option is available to those who are unable to travel by regular public transport. In , 11 million such journeys were completed across the country, a national average of 35 per eligible person. To ensure high standards, the Government is investing a total of SEK 1 billion in additional training programs in for staff working in elderly care. Pensioners moving abroad In , around , pensioners in more than countries received payments from the Swedish pension system, an increase of more than 25 per cent on The majority move to other Nordic countries or to Germany, while many are also attracted to the warmer climes of France, Greece and Italy. Red Cross volunteers visit elderly people living at home or in different kinds of housing. The visits may include a chat, a walk or accompanying someone on a visit to the doctor or hospital. Each year, Red Cross volunteers make around 30, visits to the elderly. People can choose to start receiving their pension between the ages of 61 and The average retirement age today is There are several different sources that make up a Swedish pension. People who have worked and lived in Sweden will get a national retirement pension based on the income on which they have paid tax. The national

retirement pension consists of income pension, premium pension and guarantee pension. The average national retirement pension in was SEK 11, per month. In addition to the national retirement pension, most people employed in Sweden also get an occupational pension, based on contributions made by their employers. For added security, many choose to supplement their retirement benefits with private pension savings. Preparations for an ageing population Like many other countries, Sweden has a growing proportion of elderly people. Elderly care has therefore become increasingly important, and the government has taken steps to meet future challenges in this area. In , nearly one in four Swedes will be 65 years or older, and most of the people in this age group will be active and healthy. Several initiatives aimed at meeting future needs are now being put in place around the country. To meet the coming demographic challenge without jeopardising welfare levels, people will have to work longer. Another report from suggests a number of measures enabling people to prolong their working life, such as that the earliest age at which people can draw their old age pension should be raised from 61 to 62 and, later, The government recently invested SEK 4.

6: Elderly care - Wikipedia

The Social Services for Aged and Disabled Adults (SSAD) program offers two types of support services to Nebraska residents: support targeted at the individual in need of care and support targeted at their primary caregiver.

Senior Housing Your Guide to Assisted Living Facilities, Independent Living, and Other Housing Options Whether your search for senior housing is prompted by a serious medical condition or the desire for a lifestyle change, finding the right place to live can be challenging and stressful for both you and your family. What are your senior housing options? Aging is a time of adaptation and change, and planning your future housing needs is an important part of ensuring that you continue to thrive as you get older. The key to making the best choice is to match your housing with your lifestyle, health, and financial needs. This may mean modifying your own home to make it safer and more comfortable, or it could mean moving to a housing facility with more support and social options available on site. It could even involve enrolling in a network of like-minded people to share specialized services, or moving to a retirement community, an apartment building where the majority of tenants are over the age of 65, or even a nursing home. Assisted living facility, retirement community, or independent living? The names of the different types of housing options can sometimes be confusing, as the terminology can vary from region to region. However, in general, the different types of senior housing vary according to the amount of care provided for activities of daily living and for medical care. Staying at home as you age has the advantage of keeping you in a familiar place where you know your neighbors and the community. You can take advantage of home care services and make home repairs or modifications to make your life easier and safer. This is any housing arrangement designed exclusively for seniors. Other terms include retirement communities, retirement homes, senior housing, senior apartments, or any housing friendlier to older adults. Also known as residential care, board and care, congregate care, adult care home, adult group home, alternative care facility, or sheltered housing. A housing option for those who need help with some activities of daily living, including minor help with medications. A nursing home normally offers the highest level of care for older adults outside of a hospital. What is a Continuing Care Retirement Community? Continuing Care Retirement Communities CCRCs are facilities that include independent living, assisted living, and nursing home care in one location, so seniors can stay in the same general area as their housing needs change over time. There is normally the cost of buying a unit in the community as well as monthly fees that increase as you require higher levels of care. It also can mean spouses can still be very close to one another even if one requires a higher level of care. What are your senior housing needs? Physical and medical needs. As you age, you may need some help with physical needs, including activities of daily living. This could range from shopping, cleaning, cooking, and looking after pets to intensive help with bathing, moving around, and eating. You or a loved one may also need increasing help with medical needs. Even if you are completely independent at this time, circumstances can change. It pays to think a little about your current location and accessibility of your current home. For example, how far is your home from shopping, medical facilities, or other services? If you can no longer drive, what kind of transportation access will you have? Can your home be easily modified? Does it have a lot of steps or a steep hill to navigate? Do you have a large yard that needs to be maintained? You may have health problems that make it hard to manage tasks such as housework and yard maintenance that you once took for granted. Social and emotional needs. As you age, your social networks may change. Friends or family may not be as close by, or neighbors may move or pass on. You may no longer be able to continue driving or have access to public transportation in order to meet up with family and friends. Or you simply may want to expose yourself to more social opportunities and avoid becoming isolated and housebound. Modifying your home and long-term care can both be expensive, so balancing the care you need with where you want to live requires careful evaluation of your budget. Making a budget with anticipated expenses can help you weigh the pros and cons of your situation. Need a professional assessment? Geriatric care managers can provide an assessment as well as assistance with managing your situation, including crisis management, interviewing in-home help, or assisting with placement in an assisted living facility or nursing home. Understandably, the prospect of losing

independence can be overwhelming for many older adults. It can bring with it feelings of shame, embarrassment, fear, confusion, and anger. Most of us over the age of 65 will require some type of long-term care services. You may feel guilty at the prospect of being a burden to family and friends, or yearn for the way things used to be. Communicate your needs with family and loved ones. However, you might not want to uproot yourself from your community and friends. Similarly, just because you have family close by does not automatically mean they will be able to help with all your needs. They may also be balancing work, their own children, or other commitments. Clear communication from the outset can help avoid misunderstandings or unrealistic assumptions. Be patient with yourself. Losses are a normal part of aging and losing your independence is not a sign of weakness. Allow yourself to feel sad or frustrated about changes in your housing situation or other aspects of your life without beating yourself up or labeling yourself a failure. Be open to new possibilities. Your loved ones may offer suggestions about senior housing options or other ways to make your life easier. Rather than dismissing them out of hand, try to keep an open mind and discuss the possibilities. Find a way of accepting help that makes you comfortable. It can be tough to strike a balance between accepting help and maintaining as much of your independence as possible. But remember that many people will feel good about helping you. If it makes it easier, offer to trade chores. For example, you can sew on buttons in exchange for some heavy lifting or cleaning chores. Maybe clothes are not as clean as they used to be or the house is getting increasingly messy. Or maybe your loved one is experiencing frequent falls or memory lapses such as leaving the stove on or the door unlocked. Sometimes a senior will listen more to a doctor, care manager, or other impartial party. Explain how care may prolong independence. Accepting some assistance now may help your loved one remain in his or her home for as long as possible. Or if your loved one considers an assisted living facility now, for example, it may negate the need for a nursing home later on. Help your loved one cope with the loss of independence. Encourage your loved one to stay active, maintain relationships with friends and family, and to keep an open mind about new interests, such as trying a day care facility. There are only 24 hours in a day, and you need to be able to balance your own health, family, work, and finances. Caregiving can start with small assistance, and rapidly grow to an all-encompassing task. Getting help is not a sign of weakness. Educate yourself about the resources that can help your loved one, and see if other family members can also help.

Independent Living Independent living is simply any housing arrangement designed exclusively for seniors, generally those aged 55 and over. Housing varies widely, from apartment-style living to freestanding homes. In general, the housing is friendlier to older adults, often being more compact, with easier navigation and no maintenance or yard work to worry about. While residents live independently, most communities offer amenities, activities, and services. Often, recreational centers or clubhouses are available on site to give seniors the opportunity to connect with peers and participate in community activities, such as arts and crafts, holiday gatherings, continuing education classes, or movie nights. Independent living facilities may also offer facilities such as a swimming pool, fitness center, tennis courts, even a golf course or other clubs and interest groups. Other services offered in independent living may include onsite spas, beauty and barber salons, daily meals, and basic housekeeping and laundry services. Since independent living facilities are aimed at older adults who need little or no assistance with activities of daily living, most do not offer medical care or nursing staff. As with regular housing, though, you can hire in-home help separately as required. Independent living may be your best choice if: Assisted living facilities offer the safety and security of hour support and access to care. Day or night, help is only a phone call away. However, privacy and independence are encouraged. A good facility will develop a personalized plan that meets your needs and accommodates your disabilities, while giving you the freedom to do what you can for yourself. In general, assisted living is in a residential type facility, ranging from converted homes or apartment complexes to renovated schools. Some provide apartment-style living with scaled down kitchens, while others provide rooms. Most facilities have a group dining area and common areas for social and recreational activities.

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A full range of medical, social, recreational and support services are provided. Chronic And Convalescent Nursing Home: Chronic and convalescent nursing homes are designed for individuals who need continuous skilled-nursing services and/or nursing supervision; these individuals have uncontrolled and/or unstable and/or chronic conditions.

Continuing-care retirement communities CCRCs are also sometimes referred to as life-care communities. Through contractual agreements, continuing-care communities provide residents living accommodations and a wide variety of services, including long-term health and nursing services. Residents may move from one level of care to another as their needs change. Each resident must enter into a continuing-care contract with a CCRC in order to obtain residency; the resident must be independent upon admission. Every resident is required to pay a substantial, lump-sum entrance fee and monthly fees in exchange for lifetime housing and health-related services. These fees vary depending upon the community, the type of living unit chosen and whether an individual or couple is the occupant. Continuing-care communities have different policies regarding the availability and terms of entrance-fee refunds. Housing units can be apartments in high-rise or low-rise buildings, townhouses, garden apartments, cottages or free-standing homes. Units can range in size from studios to three bedrooms. Residents are not generally entitled to have equity in their units; instead, they are entitled to lifetime use of their units. Various components of their health-care packages, however, are licensed by the State of Connecticut. Cooperatives are associations that own and operate housing communities for the benefit of their occupants. The associations may be incorporated and may be for profit or non-profit. Each resident owns shares in the cooperative corporation that in turn owns all the living units and common spaces associated with the community. Shareholders are required to cooperate in ownership and management. These leases grant residents the right to occupy units, but they do not stipulate rent. Instead, residents are required to pay maintenance charges that are set annually by a board of directors. Residents do not carry mortgages and, as shareholders, are responsible for the debts of the cooperative. Cooperatives may decide with whom they wish to share ownership as long as they do not violate existing laws prohibiting discrimination. Residents who wish to move must sell their shares in the cooperative to buyers who must acquire approval from the board of directors. Similar approvals are also required for subleasing units. Facilities designated as independent living in this directory are rental housing communities that are restricted to elderly individuals. In some communities, younger persons with disabilities may also be allowed admission. Residents are generally permitted to occupy living units by entering into rental contracts for fixed periods of time. Living units are usually apartments that can vary in size. These communities are not licensed, but they must comply with building and safety codes regarding the design, construction and safety features of their buildings. They can be either publicly or privately sponsored, and they may have rent subsidies available to their residents. Although residents are typically independent, some of them may use support services to help maintain their independence. Facilities may employ resident service coordinators who help residents live independently by helping them access community-based services. Some communities may be congregate-meal sites where, usually on weekdays, one afternoon meal in a central dining area is available to each resident. Communities vary in terms of the amount and types of services they provide. Manufactured homes can refer to mobile homes or prefabricated houses that are manufactured off site. Prefabricated houses can be transported as one unit or in separate sections. Houses are either set down or erected and finished on site. Manufactured homes are usually less expensive per square foot than housing that is built completely on site. Standards for the construction of manufactured homes have been regulated by the federal government since Homes manufactured after this time have metal plates on them showing that they comply with these standards. Federal standards specify how strong, durable, fire and wind resistant and energy efficient a home should be. Notwithstanding these requirements, the cost of casualty insurance is often higher for manufactured homes than for homes built on site. Local zoning ordinances may restrict or prohibit manufactured homes from residential districts. Consequently, many residents who live in such homes typically live in mobile home parks. Residents usually own their homes and site them on spaces they rent from owners of these parks. Once

sited, most homes are not moved. As a result, individuals interested in manufactured homes have a choice of buying new homes or already-sited, used homes. Residents are responsible for maintaining their homes. The parks typically provide common facilities such as laundry and recreation areas, private roads within the parks, maintenance of the grounds, property taxes on lots and utilities. In Connecticut, mobile home parks are licensed by the Department of Consumer Protection. They must conform with requirements of the State Building and Fire Safety Codes and local ordinances and zoning regulations. Every park must have a caretaker in charge at all times to keep the park and its facilities and equipment clean, orderly and in sanitary condition. Park owners are not allowed to charge residents entrance fees. Only parks that are restricted to elderly residents are listed in this directory; most of these communities are comprised of mobile homes. Two types of nursing facilities that are licensed by the Connecticut Department of Public Health are rest homes with nursing supervision and chronic and convalescent nursing homes. Nursing homes can elect to be licensed in one or both of these categories. Before entering nursing homes, prospective residents or their guardians must sign admission agreements. Nursing homes provide their residents with rooms, meals, recreational activities, help with daily living and protective supervision. Residents live in private or semi-private rooms. They usually have physical or mental impairments that keep them from living independently. Unlike some other facilities, nursing homes employ medical personnel to provide health care to residents. Some facilities provide sub-acute care, which is medically more sophisticated than traditional nursing home care. These facilities can usually provide this care at a lower cost than hospitals. The costs of staying in a nursing home vary by facility. Along with meeting stringent standards, Medicare-approved facilities agree to participate in the Medicare program and limit the rates they charge Medicare-reimbursed residents. Any nursing home can elect to qualify all its beds for Medicare reimbursement or allocate only some beds for this purpose. Non-Medicare beds can be charged rates above the Medicare limit. Long-Term-Care Ombudsmen help protect the health, safety, welfare and rights of individuals living in nursing homes. Ombudsmen receive, investigate and resolve complaints made by or on behalf of residents against nursing homes. Ombudsmen and their support staff respect the privacy and confidentiality of individuals who make complaints or request information.

Rest Homes With Nursing Supervision: Rest homes with nursing supervision are for individuals with chronic conditions who are unable to live independently but do not need constant skilled care. Residents are normally not confined to a bed and usually have a greater degree of mobility than those individuals who reside in chronic and convalescent nursing homes. Nursing supervision under medical direction is provided twenty-four hours a day. A full range of medical, social, recreational and support services are provided.

Chronic And Convalescent Nursing Home: Individuals can also have chronic conditions that require substantial daily assistance with personal care. Skilled-nursing care is provided under medical supervision and direction to carry out non-surgical treatment and dietary procedures for chronic diseases or convalescent stages of acute diseases or injuries. Residents need nursing care but do not require hospitalization. Residential-care homes in Connecticut are licensed by the Department of Public Health. These homes can also be referred to as homes for the aged, rest homes, personal-care homes or board and care homes. In Connecticut, a board and care home usually provides fewer services than a facility that is generally considered a residential-care home; it is also not licensed by the State. Residents of residential-care homes may have some health, social and personal-care needs, but they do not require the extensive medical care a nursing home provides. Although residents may use devices, they are ambulatory and have some degree of independence, but they are not able to live on their own. Residents should be able to evacuate their homes unassisted in case of an emergency. Residential-care homes provide residents with a communal living environment. Residents typically live in a private or semi-private room; lavatories and bathing areas can be either private or shared among residents. The cost of living in these homes depends upon the home and type of room chosen; private rooms are generally more expensive than semi-private rooms. Some residents use government assistance to help them pay for their care. Many of the smaller homes are large, single-family homes that have been renovated. The owners of these homes often provide services to residents with the assistance of other staff. Close relationships may develop among residents and between residents and staff that contribute to a home-like atmosphere and family environment. Residential-care homes are required to provide three meals per day, housekeeping and laundry

services, personal care, recreational activities, twenty-four-hour supervision and emergency call systems. Menus for meals must meet requirements set by the Department of Public Health. The personal-care services that these homes provide do not require the training or skills of a licensed nurse. Staff is not required to provide nursing services. Some homes, however, have a nurse on staff. Retirement communities are typically designed for independent older people who are in reasonably good health. Some communities offer rental units, while others require residents to purchase their units. Units can exist in any form in which housing is created, for example, single-family homes, condominiums, townhouses, apartments, cooperatives or mobile homes. Retirement communities vary in terms of the kinds of services they provide and the fees they charge. Some communities feature extensive recreational and leisure activities.

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9: HUD-Sponsored Senior Housing Programs | Low Income Senior Housing

These include Jersey Assistance for Community Caregiving, Congregate Housing Services Program (CHSP), Statewide Respite Care Program, Alzheimer's Adult Day Services Program, weekend home delivered meals, the Lifeline Utility Assistance program, Hearing Aid Assistance to the Aged and Disabled, and two state prescription assistance programs.

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