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Understanding **Assisted Living Services**

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At Tapestry Senior Living, our goal is to support independence, dignity, and quality of life. Assisted living provides helpful support—but it is important to understand what assisted living can and cannot provide under state regulations.

The questions on the following pages are the ones families ask us most. We answer them openly, because the best decisions are informed ones.



01 **Is assisted living the same as a nursing home?**

No, assisted living is not a nursing home. Assisted living is designed to support independence and choice, while nursing homes provide 24-hour skilled nursing care and constant supervision. Assisted living offers personal care and supportive services in an inviting environment.

02 **Are residents supervised at all times?**

No, assisted living does not provide constant, one-on-one supervision. Staff are available 24/7 to assist residents and respond when help is needed, but residents are not continuously monitored.

03 **What happens if my loved one falls?**

Falls can happen as part of the aging process, even with good care in place. Staff will respond promptly, assess the resident, and notify family and medical providers as appropriate. We work to reduce risk through care planning, equipment, and communication, but falls cannot always be prevented.

04 **Will someone stop my loved one from wandering?**

Assisted living allows residents freedom of movement. While staff are attentive, we cannot provide constant supervision. If wandering becomes unsafe or frequent, we will talk with the family about options, which may include a supportive environment like memory care or another care setting better suited to the resident's needs and safety.



05 **How are changes in health or memory handled?**

Residents are monitored for noticeable changes in health or behavior. If changes are observed, we will communicate with the resident and family and may schedule a care meeting to review services. Families are encouraged to share concerns, especially if they notice changes first.

06 **Who manages medications?**

Medication management depends on the resident's assessment:

- Some residents receive medication assistance from staff.
- Some residents choose to manage their own medications.
- If a resident self-manages medication, the community cannot be responsible for missed or incorrect doses.

07 **Can residents refuse care or services?**

Yes, residents have the right to refuse services, even if those services are part of their care plan. However, the community cannot be responsible for outcomes that result from refusing necessary care. If essential services are repeatedly refused, a different level of care may be required.

08 **What if my loved one's care needs increase?**

Assisted living services have to fall within and meet state regulations. If a resident's needs increase beyond what assisted living can safely provide, we will work with the family to explore other care options that may be more appropriate.



09 Is assisted living a risk-free environment?

No, assisted living cannot remove all risks associated with aging. Our role is to reduce risk where possible while honoring independence, not to eliminate risk entirely.

10 What happens to personal belongings if something is lost?

We encourage residents to remain as independent as possible, which can sometimes result in personal items being misplaced or damaged. While staff will help, the community cannot guarantee the safety of personal belongings. Renter's insurance is strongly recommended.

11 What role do families play in care?

Families are a vital part of the care team. Communication, honesty about changes, and collaboration help us provide the best support possible. We encourage families to stay involved and reach out with concerns or questions.

12 How do we know assisted living is still appropriate?

Assisted living is appropriate when a resident can benefit from support without needing constant medical care or supervision. If safety, health, or cognitive needs change, we will discuss next steps openly and respectfully. Our goal is to provide compassionate support while honoring each resident's independence, choice, and quality of life.





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