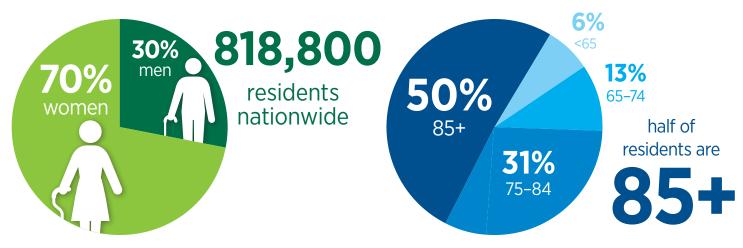
Assisted Living: A Growing Aspect of Long Term Care



Assisted Living communities offer a unique mix of personal care services, companionship, independence, privacy, and security. Assisted living communities typically serve individuals who need help with everyday activities of daily living and some health care services but generally do not require 24-hour skilled nursing care services for extended periods of time. The foundation of assisted living is to deliver person-centered care and services to each individual resident.

Residents

Assisted living communities serve those who need help with some activities of daily living (ADLs) and health care services.



Activities of Daily Living



50%
need help with walking

49%
need help with dressing

43%
need help with toileting

34% need help with bed transfer 22%
need help with eating



THE MEDIAN LENGTH OF STAY IS ABOUT 22 MONTHS

Common Diagnoses ALs Help Residents Manage



17% have diabetes





31% have heart disease



29% have depression



Activities and Services

TYPICAL SERVICES

- 24-hour supervision and assistance
- Exercise, health, and wellness programs
- Housekeeping and maintenance
- Meals and dining services
- Medication management or assistance
- Personal care services such as ADLs
- Arranging for Transportation







SPECIALIZED DEMENTIA CARE SERVICES

Memory care is an increasing component of assisted living.

- 18% have a designated unit/wing/floor
- 11% only serve adults with dementia





COORDINATED SERVICES

Assisted living does not directly provide certain health care services, but consistently works with other providers to offer these services.

- therapy (physical, occupational or speech
- pharmacy/pharmacist
- hospice
- podiatry
- dental
- skilled nursing
- · mental health screening or counseling



Communities



Workforce



Nursing Staff Breakdown

Aide 66% LVN/LPN 19%

RN

Paying for Care

\$54,000

per year Medicaid

Medicaid certified

Average Yearly Cost

This is **less** than the average cost for homemaker services (\$59,488) or a home health aide (\$61,776). The majority of assisted living residents use some form of private

funds to pay for personal care and

room and board.

A little more than 18% of residents rely on Medicaid to pay for daily services. Medicaid does not pay for room and board costs. Each state varies on whether it covers assisted living services.

Medicare

Medicare does not cover assisted living services, but most residents are beneficiaries, making Medicare issues (hospitalizations, medications, therapy services, etc.) important to assisted living providers.

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