

Home Care Program

The Massachusetts state funded Home Care program is designed to help older people who meet income and need guidelines, remain in the community and meet their care needs at home.

Elder Services believes most elders want to remain safe and independent in their own homes. Sometimes this becomes difficult when declining physical or cognitive health results in the inability to manage routine tasks of daily living. By providing trusted services and resources, Elder Services can help.

The state funded Home Care Program provides in-home help and resources to elders who are residents of Massachusetts, and who meet certain guidelines. Home care services are designed to help older adults maintain their independence at home and in the community.



Eligibility

To receive services through the Home Care Program, the person must be at least 60 years old or under 60 with a documented diagnosis of Alzheimer's Disease or a related dementia. During the initial home visit, a care manager assesses the person's physical limitations and ability to perform activities of daily living.

Services

A Care Manager and Registered Nurse collaborate to design, coordinate and monitor individualized care plans for each home care consumer by working closely with elders, caregivers, families, and community agencies aimed at meeting the health and social needs of each individual. They authorize services provided under contract with community agencies selected for cost and quality. Services may include but are not limited to:

- Adult Day Care
- Chore Services (heavy house cleaning)
- Companionship
- Grocery Shopping/Errands
- Home Delivered Meals
- Homemaker Services
- Medical Transportation
- Medication Reminders
- Meal Preparation
- Nursing Home Screening
- Personal Care /HHA Services
- Respite Care
- Social Day Care
- Transportation

Cost

Services may be available at no cost or cost shared on a sliding fee scale. Cost share for home care services is based on income and is determined according to cost sharing guidelines set forth by the state.

More Information

For more information about our Home Care Program, call our Information & Referral Department at 800-892-0890.

