LONG-TERM NURSING CARE Helpful information for family members



HOW

will I pay for long-term nursing care? Here are some financial options to consider:

- Long-term care insurance. Medigap, employer-provided, or private health insurance plans can offset the cost of long-term nursing care, but these policies need to be in place before a major health event occurs.
- **Medicare.** While Medicare generally doesn't cover long-term nursing care stays in a nursing home, it may cover hospital care, doctor services, and medical supplies for those in long-term nursing care.
- Paying out of pocket. If your family chooses to pay for care with their own funds, be sure to ask each facility you're considering about their payment options.

HOW

do I prepare my loved one for a move to long-term nursing care? It's no surprise that most people would rather stay in their home than transition to a care facility. Here are some tips to consider before starting the discussion.

- Enlist the help of your loved one's doctor or a health care professional. Often doctors and nurses are more persuasive than a relative or close friend.
- Share information about the care center. Your loved one will want to know details about where they'll be moving, so be prepared with photos, brochures, and other educational materials.
- Listen and acknowledge your loved one's concerns. Demonstrate that you understand their feelings, and assure your loved one that the move is the best way to ensure they receive the care and attention they need.

WHAT

are my next steps?

- **Use the attached checklist** to help you select the best long-term nursing care facility for your loved one.
- Contact Cedar Crest at 973-831-3755 if you have additional questions or wish to learn more about long-term nursing care at our Northern New Jersey community. It will be our privilege to help you.

Looking for QUALITY long-term nursing care for your loved one?

With so many options for long-term nursing care, how can you feel confident that you're making the right decision? **Use this checklist to compare the long-term nursing care communities in your area.** To help you get started, we've already checked the Cedar Crest column for you.

| BUILDING DESIGN AND SAFETY | CEDAR CREST | Name | Name |
|--|----------------|------|------|
| Homelike environment strategically designed to include smaller, intimate spaces for quiet conversations and reflection | ~ | | |
| All private rooms with half baths to preserve privacy and dignity | ~ | | |

| PERSON-CENTERED APPROACH TO CARE | CEDAR CREST | Name | Name |
|--|----------------|------|------|
| A holistic assessment for each resident to determine their likes, dislikes, desires, and needs | • | | |
| Interdisciplinary approach that looks at each resident's physical, spiritual, and emotional needs to create an individualized care plan | • | | |
| Highly engaged caregivers who create meaningful relationships with the residents they support | • | | |
| Flexible dining program that includes a choice of dining locations, times, and menu items prepared fresh daily by a dedicated on-site chef | ~ | | |

| QUALITY HEALTH CARE | CEDAR CREST | Name | Name |
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| Full-time physicians on campus who are experts in caring for older | adults 🗸 | | |
| Routine care planning meetings in which the resident, family, and care work together to develop the care plan and make adjustments as nee | | | |
| Holds a coveted 5-star rating from the Centers for Medicare and Medica | id Services | | |
| Part of a national network of communities managed by Erickson Li with over 35 years of experience meeting the health and wellness r of older adults | ~ | | |

Review your long-term nursing care options, then call **973-831-3755** to request more information or to schedule a visit to Cedar Crest. Our knowledgeable team is here to help.