Memory care touring checklist

Community:

When contacting or visiting a prospective memory care community, be sure to use this checklist to keep notes, compare communities, and get answers to important questions.

General Observations

You're greeted and feel welcome
Entrances and exits are secure
Common areas are easy to navigate
Outdoor areas prevent wandering
Community is clean and odor-free
Residents look happy and engaged
Residents appear well-groomed
Bathrooms include safety features
Emergency protocols are available
Pet-friendly environment

Staffing

Staff are licensed or certified
Staff are kind to residents
Staff call residents by name
Staff are tenured
Staff look well-groomed
Staff-to-resident ratio is comfortable

Notes: What specialized memory care training does staff receive?

What methods are used for de-escalation?

Living Units

Natural light is present during the day

Temperature is controllable and comfortable

Emergency call system is available

Balance of safety and privacy

Notes: Who has keys and access to the unit?

Personal Services

Care assessment begins upon admission
Daily care and chores are managed
Outside patient care is coordinated
Meals are tailored and nutritious
Special diets are accommodated
Person-centered care is provided
Transportation is available

Notes: What specialized memory care therapies or services are offered? What specialized activities are available to residents in various stages of memory loss?

Finances

Renters insurance requirements are clear

Appeal process for dissatisfied residents is available

Monthly cost breakdown is clear

Additional fees are mentioned

Notes: What sort of pricing incentives, move-in

specials, or other financial programs are available?

How long is the waitlist, and how are availabilities awarded? Is it first come, first served?



Independent living touring checklist

Community:

When calling or visiting a prospective senior living community, use this checklist to keep notes, compare communities, and get answers to important questions.

General Observations

You are greeted and feel welcome
Exits are clearly marked
Available indoor and outdoor common areas
Areas are clean and odor-free
Residents seem to enjoy the community
You're comfortable with the emergency procedures
Pet-friendly environment

Staffing

Staff are onsite
Staff are polite to residents
Staff appear well-groomed

Notes: What types of staff are on-site, and what are their hours?

Living Units

Private bathroom in unit

Bathroom has accessibility features like handrails

Natural lighting is good throughout the day

Temperature is comfortable and controllable

Emergency call system you feel comfortable with

Notes: Who will have keys to your home?

Personal Services

Meal services available with appealing options
Dietary accommodations are offered
Interesting on-site and off-site activities and events
Staff-coordinated transportation is available
Housekeeping, laundry, and linen services

Notes: What third-party services are offered?

Who coordinates activities (staff, residents, or both)?

Finances

Requirements for renter's insurance are clear

There is an appeal process for dissatisfied residents

Monthly price breakdown is clear

All additional fees are mentioned

Notes: What sort of pricing incentives, move-in specials, or other financial programs are available?

How long is the waitlist, and how are availabilities awarded? Is it first come, first served?

Additional notes:



Assisted living touring checklist

Community:

When calling or visiting a prospective senior living community, use this checklist to keep notes, compare communities, and get answers to important questions.

General Observations

You are greeted and feel welcome

Exits are clearly marked

Plenty of indoor and outdoor common areas

Areas are clean and odor-free

Residents appear engaged and happy

Residents appear well-groomed

Bathrooms have accessibility features like handrails

You're comfortable with the emergency procedures

Pet-friendly environment

Staffing

A licensed nurse is on staff

Staff are kind and caring to residents

Staff call residents by name

Staff are tenured

Staff appear well-groomed

Staff has experience with your specific care needs/diagnosis

You're comfortable with the staff-to-resident ratio

Notes: What other certificated or licensed professionals are on staff, and what are their hours?

Living Units

Private bathroom in unit

Natural lighting is good throughout the day
Temperature is comfortable and controllable
Emergency call system you feel comfortable with
You'll receive an appropriate amount of privacy

Notes: Who has keys and access to the unit?

Personal Services

Care and service assessments done prior to admission
Assistance with activities of daily living
Additional services available if needs change
Outside care provider visits are coordinated
Meals are nutritious and appealing
Dietary accommodations are offered
Interesting on-site and off-site activities and events
Residents are enthusiastic about activities
Staff-coordinated transportation is available
Housekeeping, laundry, and linen services

Notes: What unique therapies or services are offered?

Who coordinates activities (staff, residents, or both)?

Finances

Renters insurance requirements are clear

Appeal process for dissatisfied residents is available

Monthly cost breakdown is clear

Additional fees are mentioned

Notes: What sort of pricing incentives, move-in specials, or other financial programs are available?

Additional notes:



Senior living touring checklist

Community:

When contacting or visiting a prospective memory care community, be sure to use this checklist to keep notes, compare communities, and get answers to important questions.

General Observations

You are greeted and feel welcome Exits are clearly marked

Plenty of indoor and outdoor common areas

Areas are clean and odor-free

Residents appear engaged and happy

Residents appear well-groomed

Bathrooms have accessibility features like handrails

You're comfortable with the emergency procedures

Pet-friendly environment

Staffing

A licensed nurse is on staff

Staff are kind and caring to residents

Staff call residents by name

Staff are tenured

Staff appear well-groomed

Staff have experience with your specific care needs/diagnosis

You're comfortable with the staff-to-resident ratio

Notes: What other certificated or licensed professionals are on staff, and what are their hours?

Living Units

Natural light is present during the day
Temperature is controllable and comfortable
Emergency call system is available
Balance of safety and privacy

Notes: Who will have keys to your home?

Personal Services

Care and service assessments done prior to admission
Assistance with activities of daily living
Additional services available if needs change
Outside care provider visits are coordinated
Meals are nutritious and appealing
Dietary accommodations are offered
Interesting on-site and off-site activities and events
Residents are enthusiastic about the activity schedule
Staff-coordinated transportation is available
Housekeeping, laundry, and linen services

Notes: What unique therapies or services are offered?

Who coordinates activities (staff, residents, or both)?

Finances

Renters insurance requirements are clear

Appeal process for dissatisfied residents is available

Monthly cost breakdown is clear

Additional fees are mentioned

Notes: What sort of pricing incentives, move-in specials, or other financial programs are available?

How long is the waitlist, and how are availabilities awarded? Is it first come, first served?

