THE FINANCIAL SIDE OF RETIREMENT PLANNING

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OUR TIME TOGETHER

What options are available if I need assistance?

Can I stay home?

If I move, what options are available?

What will all of this cost?

Who pays?

What can I be doing now?

Who can help?





WHY THIS TOPIC IS IMPORTANT

Nearly 70% of individuals over age 65 ... will become cognitively impaired or unable to complete at least two "activities of daily living"-- including dressing, bathing, or eating -- over his or her lifetime.



HOME SWEET HOME?



Physical layout: stairs, wheelchair accessibility, location of restrooms/showers/laundry room

> Home maintenance and upkeep Yard work



Transportation, isolation, and financial resources

CAN I STAY HOME?



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HOME CARE: HOW CAN CAREGIVERS HELP?

Medication reminders

Assistance with meals

Transportation for errands or appointments

Companionship

Oversight/safety

Dressing, showering, & toileting

Fall prevention



HOME CARE: WHAT DOES IT COST

Service in Seattle Metro Area	Average Cost	Monthly Average Cost
Home Care (20 hours/week)	\$75/hour	\$6,000
Home Care (8 hours/day)	\$45/hour	\$10,800
Home Care 24/7 ("Live-in Caregiver"=able to sleep)	\$685/day	\$20,550

RESOURCE: WWW.GENWORTH.COM/AGING-AND-YOU/FINANCES/COST-OF-CARE



OPTIONS FOR MOVING

Independent	Assisted	Memory
Living	Living	Care
Skilled Nursing	Continuing Care Retirement Community (CCRC)	Adult Family Home





COSTS TO EXPECT

1) Community fee (1x)

2) Rent (Monthly)

3) "Care" (Monthly)





INDEPENDENT LIVING VS ASSISTED LIVING

Independent Living What comes with "rent?"

- Companionship
- Activities
- Meals
- Some laundry
- Some transportation
- Social environment

Assisted Living What care is provided?

- Medication reminders
- Assistance with dressing
- Assistance with showering
- Assistance with toileting
- Escort to activities
- Escort to meals
- Nursing support



RETIREMENT COMMUNITY COSTS

Service in Seattle Metro Area	Monthly Average Cost
Independent Living	\$7,000
Assisted living with care	\$12,000
Memory Care	\$15,000
Adult Family Home	\$12,000

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ANNUAL COST OF CARE 2022







HOW MUCH HELP WILL I NEED?



• Women: 3.7 years • Men: 2.2 years	
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National Clearinghouse LTC Information: http://www.longtermcare.gov/LTC/Main_Site/Index.aspx



AVERAGE LENGTHS OF STAY

Independent – 38 months (~ 3 years)

Assisted – 22 months (~ 2 years)

Memory Care – 17 months (~ 1.5 years)

CCRC – 77 months (~ 6 years)

Life Expectancy Compression: The impact of moving into a long-term care facility on length of life February 12, 2013 / Chris Orestis / http://tinyurl.com/guffj93



MEDICARE PAYS, RIGHT?!



Short-term Rehab Stay Home Health (PT, OT, RN) Medical Equipment Hospice Services

HOW TO PAY FOR LONG-TERM CARE OPTIONS



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PRIVATE PAY

- Seek assistance early
- Avoid a crisis
- Can start with a few hours and build up
- Value of home
- Meet with your financial advisor



RESOURCE: WWW.CFP.NET

LONG-TERM CARE INSURANCE

- Can cover caregivers, assisted living, memory care, adult family homes
- Daily or monthly maximum benefit with a maximum Lifetime benefit
- Maximum benefit period (length of policy)
- Elimination period
- Trigger is often <u>substantial</u> assistance with 2-3 activities of daily living (bathing, continence, dressing, eating, toileting, transferring)
- Or *substantial* supervision for severe cognitive changes
- If you have it, make sure to take advantage of the coverage



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VA BENEFITS: AID & ATTENDANCE

Helps with cost of caregivers, assisted living facility, nursing home

- Must have served at least 90 days of active duty
 - with at least one day during a period of war
- Must meet income and countable asset criteria
- Must be 65 years and older or totally disabled
- Must need assistance with at least two of the daily activities
 - (bathing, dressing, eating, toileting, and transferring)
- A surviving spouse must have been married to the veteran at the time of their passing and not remarried unless to a wartime veteran



RESOURCE: WWW.VA.GOV/PENSION/AID-ATTENDANCE-HOUSEBOUND/

MEDICAID/LONG-TERM SERVICES & SUPPORT

- Jointly funded with Federal and State dollars
- Pays for caregivers (never 24/7) in the home, assisted living, memory care, adult family homes, and nursing homes
- Eligibility criteria includes income, savings, <u>and</u> care needs
- Caveat: <u>very</u> difficult to find placement in King County

RESOURCE: WWW.WASHINGTONLAWHELP.ORG/RESOURCE/QUESTIONS-AND-ANSWERS-ON-THE-COPES-PROGRAM



REVERSE MORTGAGE

- If you're a property owner who is at least 62 years old, you can borrow against your equity to get cash or a line of credit from a lender
- Unlike a regular mortgage, you aren't required to make monthly loan payments
- Loan repaid when you or your heirs sell the house
- Loans are backed by the Federal Housing Administration (FHA)

Considerations:

- Not Free
- Could Impact Your Other Retirement Benefits
- Reverse Mortgages Are Complicated



LIFE INSURANCE SETTLEMENT

- Typically, the sale involves an insured age 65 or older
- For a policy that is no longer needed, wanted, or affordable
- Sold to an investment company that provides the owner of the policy with a lump sum cash settlement
- This secondary market provides an alternative to accepting the issuing insurance company's surrender value for the policy



OTHER OPTIONS



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Nearly 80% of care at home is provided by unpaid caregivers On average, this is 20-25 hours per week



PROACTIVELY PLANNING: WHAT YOU CAN DO NOW

- 1) Complete your estate planning documents
- 2) Review your finances
- 3) Become educated on the options
- 4) Determine your goals/desires: what do you want?
- 5) Talk with your family & build your safety net





WHO CAN HELP & RESOURCES

- Aging Life Care Professionals: <u>www.aginglifecare.org</u>
- Elder law attorneys: <u>www.waela.org</u>
- Sound Generations: <u>https://soundgenerations.org/</u>
- NEST: <u>https://nestseattle.org/</u>
- PNA: <u>https://www.phinneycenter.org/village/about/</u>
- Wider Horizons: <u>https://widerhorizonsvillage.org/</u>
- Cohousing Association of America: www.cohousing.org
- Home Sharing: <u>www.silvernest.com</u>





QUESTIONS?





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