



Staff Interviews #1

1. How frequently did individuals go out for entertainment in the past month?

Staff Response: Everyday/Member preference.

2. What types of community groups or other activities in the community do individuals engage in? Who do individuals usually go with? How do individuals get there?

Staff Response: Anything the member is interested in attending. Facility will assist with connecting members to community activities. Attend church, senior center, activities with family/friends, etc. Individuals attend with family/friends, by themselves or assisted living offsite activities, etc. Transportation includes family/friends, personal vehicle, church members, assisted living activity bus, Bitterroot Public Bus, etc.

3. Do individuals have any activities they are required to attend?

Staff Response:

No, members always have a choice to attend or not attend activities.

4. How do individuals see or make plans with their friends when they wish?

Staff Response:

Make plans often using personal phone or can use a facility phone. Friends can visit the facility or members can leave the facility. It's the members preference.

5. How frequently can individuals see and/or communicate with their families.

Staff Response:

No restrictions regarding visitation or communication with families.

6. How do individuals get places when they want to do something outside of the home?

Staff Response:

Transportation includes family/friends, personal vehicle, church members, assisted living activity bus, Bitterroot Public Bus, etc. Members can ask facility transportation coordinator to assist with scheduling transportation. Bitterroot Bus and taxi numbers available to members.

7. Do any individuals have a competitive, integrated, paid job or volunteer in the community.

Staff Response:

No individuals with jobs but they are welcome to have a job. A few members volunteer in the community.

8.Do individuals vote in local, state or federal elections?

Staff Response:

Their choice if they vote. Most individuals vote via mail in ballot.

9.What happens if individuals choose not to leave their home to attend planned activities or are otherwise unable to do so?

Staff Response:

Depends on what individual wants to do. There are puzzles, books, crafts, movies and other activities available depending on their preference.

10.How do individuals choose what to buy with their money and how do they go out and spend it?

Staff Response:

Members choice what they buy. Family/friends will buy stuff for members, offsite shopping trips available, member can order items online and a member can fill out a weekly shopping list for the activities department to purchase items.

11.How do individuals dictate their daily schedule?

Staff Response:

Individuals can choose what activities they engage in, if they want to leave facility, if they want to attend meals during scheduled time, etc. Try to accommodate the day/time when member prefers assistance with cares such as showering if needed. Staff ask residents their preferences regarding schedule.