

## **Locked and Keyed Private Apartments**

Resident's apartments are private, with lock and keyed hallway doors. \*Resident has a call system to call staff for assistance. The staff does not invade the privacy of the apartment unless requested by Resident, or the staff believes there is a need to enter the apartment.

\*Memory care facilities do not have private, lock and keyed hallway doors due to increasing risk.

**Risk:** Resident must use the intercom to request assistance. Resident's apartment is not routinely checked to investigate if there has been an accident or if Resident has fallen. The apartment door to the hallway is not monitored. The resident is free to come and go as he or she pleases. All residents have unsupervised access to activity rooms, snack bar, and public areas.

## **Non-Restraint Policy**

Residents are not physically restrained. Residents are free to come and go from their apartments as they please.

**Risk:** There is an increased risk of falling for someone who is unsteady on his or her feet.

## **Unsupervised Snack Bar**

Special diets are provided. At the unsupervised snack bar, it is possible for the resident to divert from a diet.

**Risk:** It is possible for the tenant to divert from a special diet, as both diabetic and non-diabetic items are available. Residents have the freedom and risk to use correctly or abuse the snack bar.

## **Assessment and Service Plan**

Resident's need for assistance is assessed periodically. A resident may make decisions regarding his or her own care and needs.

**Risk of decisions:** It is possible for Resident to make poor or inadvisable decisions, which adversely affect Resident's health or welfare.

It should be noted that assisted living and residential care facilities often have residents with varying degrees of dementia. In most cases, the individual with dementia can live quite comfortably within the structure of an assisted living / residential care Community. However, it is especially important for the family and significant others of the individual with dementia to understand the Risk Agreements associated with this setting.

To further promote the concept of choice in our facilities, various decisions are made by the resident from time to time that can be interpreted as putting them at risk from a health or safety standpoint. When these decisions appear to be in conflict with established Community health care practices, an agreement is developed to identify the specific issue(s) at risk.

This agreement allows Resident to make his or her own choice regarding the issue(s) or decisions that may arise from time to time. This decision made by the resident over-rides all other decisions provided the resident is competent and does not have a legal representative.