

Criteria for Assisted Living

1. This facility is non-discriminatory. Tenancy will not be denied to any person because of sex, race, religion, or national origin.
2. The prospective tenant's physician must submit a copy of the tenant's health history and physician orders prior to moving in.
3. The prospective tenant or tenants must meet the following criteria:
 - A. Age
 - Must be 55 years of age or older or disabled within the criteria for being a tenant or residing in an assisted living facility (unless otherwise authorized).
 - B. Financial
 - Must have the financial resources to pay the rent, security deposit or other fees for services (agreed upon or otherwise provided).
 - C. Mobility
 - Able to walk independently or with cane or walker (or be willing to accept assistance from staff)*
 - Able to self-propel wheelchair (or be willing to accept assistance from staff)*
 - Able to bear weight and transfer from wheelchair, to bed, to toilet or into bed (or be willing to accept assistance from staff)*
 - In order to use a power scooter or wheelchair, the tenant will need a Physical/Occupational Therapist evaluation prior to using it in the facility. The ability to use this equipment will be re-evaluated as needed.
 - D. Activities of Daily Living
 - Must be able to care for self regarding toileting, bathing, or dressing (or be willing to accept assistance from staff)*
 - Must be able to manage incontinence per self through the usage of pads or other incontinence measures (or be willing to accept assistance from staff)*
 - E. Medication
 - Is able to manage own medications (or be willing to accept assistance with medication reminders/administration)*
 - May be oxygen dependent if able to monitor own oxygen (or obtain staff assist)*
 - F. Meals
 - Is able to feed self. Certain special diets are accommodated and assistance given with cutting up foods and opening cartons.
 - Must be able to get to and from the dining room for meals on own or with escort assistance as needed.*
 - G. Housekeeping
 - Housekeeping is generally the responsibility of the facility. Tenant is responsible to maintain their unit in an orderly fashion between weekly cleanings.

- If additional housekeeping is required, tenant will be required to contact for this service.*
- H. Laundry
- Laundry is the responsibility of the tenant. This service may also be contracted through the facility.
- I. Self-Preservation
- Must be able to exit the facility with cueing and/or minimal direction in case of an emergency.
- J. Tobacco
- Tenants, family and/or visitors may not use tobacco anywhere in the buildings or on the grounds.
- K. Appliance Safety
- Ability to safely use any electrical appliances that are brought in (no frayed cords or plugs).
 - Management reserves the right to shut off power to stove (WT) or any other electrical appliances as assessment deems necessary in regards to safety for self or others.
- L. Socialization/Behavior
- Is able to function adequately within the facility without threat of harm to self or others.
 - Does not disrupt the facility's stability and normal operation
 - Able to relate appropriately with other tenants and staff
 - Able to communicate needs to staff
 - Cannot exhibit behavior that is verbally or physically abusive to other tenants, staff or visitors
 - Can be forgetful and/or slightly confused. Accepts and responds to re-direction.
 - Does not wander out of facility or off facility grounds and become lost.
4. Final determination regarding eligibility rests with NDHC's Administration in collaboration with Personal Care staff.
 5. If a prospective tenant or a tenant has difficulty with the above criteria, a service plan to meet his/her needs will be developed with tenant, facility staff and family. If the needs cannot be met with the services available, the prospective tenant would not qualify for tenancy nor the tenant for continued tenancy.
 6. When a tenant no longer qualifies, Administration, along with the Director of Personal Care Services (or designee), will discuss with the tenant and/or family members, the physician, and other health care providers will be utilized in assessing the tenant's ability to meet the above criteria, final determination rests with the administration of the facility.
 7. Probationary tenancy can be utilized when there is some expectation of reversing the identified concerns.

*A fee will be charged for staff assistance.