

Continuing Care Facilities (CCFs)

Description:

Continuing Care Facilities (CCFs), formerly known as Continuing Care Retirement Communities, provide residents, through contractual agreements, lifetime shelter and access to a wide variety of services, including long-term health services. Each resident pays a substantial entrance fee and monthly fees in exchange for a living unit and access to services. Entrance fees and monthly service fees vary significantly by community and may be considered costly. The amount of long-term care included in the contract, the type of living unit chosen and whether one person or a couple occupies the unit can influence costs. Communities have different policies regarding the availability and terms of entrance-fee refunds. Various levels of care such as independent living, assistance with daily activities and nursing home care are typically provided on CCF campuses. As their needs change, residents are usually able to move from one level of care to another without leaving the community. If a CCF does not have a health center on campus, it often has an arrangement with a nearby healthcare facility to admit its residents on a priority basis.

CCFs are not licensed by the state. Specific components of each CCF's health care package such as skilled nursing and assisted living services are licensed as health services. A CCF is not allowed to offer or enter into a continuing care contract unless it is registered with the Department of Social Services and meets certain disclosure requirements. The continuing care contract is a legal agreement between the resident and CCF that specifies the rights and obligations of both parties. Potential residents should consult with legal and financial advisors before signing this agreement.

Eligibility Requirements, Service Areas and Program Year:

Eligibility Requirements:

- Eligibility requirements vary by community. Individuals should contact the community for which they have an interest to inquire about eligibility requirements.

Service Areas:

Bloomfield
Bridgeport
Brooklyn
Cheshire
Chester
Cromwell

Essex
Hamden
Manchester
Mystic
North Branford

Redding
Southbury
Stamford
Wallingford
West Hartford

Program Year:

Communities are required to update information filed with the Department of Social Services annually, 150 days after the end of the CCF's financial year.

Contact Information:

Contact individual providers for details about a specific community.

For general information contact:

Department of Social Services
Aging Services Division
25 Sigourney Street
Hartford, CT 06106
Telephone: 860-424-5284 or 800-443-9946

For information regarding Disclosure Statements call the Department of Social Services' Audit Unit at:

Telephone: 860-424-5103

Related Information:

N/A