

Office of the  
**Assisted Living Registrar**



**Premier's Council on Aging and Seniors' Issues**

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## **What is Assisted Living?**

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- Housing
- Hospitality services
- Personal care
- Maximize independence and choice

# **Traditional Housing &/Care**

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**Independent  
housing**

**Congregate  
housing**

**Residential  
care**



## **Current Housing &/Care**

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**Independent  
housing**

**Supportive  
housing**

**Assisted  
living**

**Residential  
care**

## **Who is Assisted Living For?**

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- No longer able to live safely in own home
- Do not require 24-hour professional care in a residential care facility
- Frail but stable health conditions
- Able to make decisions that allow them to function safely in the assisted living residence
- Both publicly subsidized and private pay residents

## **How are publicly subsidized residents assessed?**

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- Case manager
- Person requires hospitality services and personal care
- Can self direct
- At significant risk

## **What happens when residents' needs change?**

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- If needs exceed service delivery capacity *or*
- Resident unable to make decisions
- Operator must develop exit plan
  - Strategies for mitigating risks
  - Health authority may provide additional supports
- Transition to alternate level of care as soon as possible

## **Regulatory model**

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- Mandatory registration of residences
- Health and safety standards
- Complaint investigation mechanism

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## **More information**

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