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Dedication to Seniors Motivates Quality Care

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Many senior home care companies, like Always Best Care Senior Services, offer assistance to older adults with quality in-home care, from one to 24 hours per day. Many of these companies offer a staff of caregivers that provide an array of assistance, from transportation to medical appointments to cooking to assistance with toileting and bathing. These services allow seniors to remain happy, healthy, safe and independent in their own homes.

But what if an older adult determines that their home is no longer the best place to receive the care and assistance that they need? Some companies are also able to provide another service that many in-home care companies do not: Independent and Assisted Living Placement services. At Always Best Care, this is a *free* service, and, unlike other placement companies, they take the time to thoroughly review the older adult's preferences regarding location, services, and budget, determining the best fit at an Independent or Assisted Living Community.

Many senior care companies have ongoing professional relationships with reputable Independent and Assisted Living Communities in their area, working closely with those communities to meet the senior's needs regarding placement. Companies, like Always Best Care, even have a staff that provides personalized tours of preferred communities, allowing seniors and their family members to make an informed choice as to which community will best suit their needs.

Once the senior and family have made a decision regarding placement and have selected a community, their staff will make the transition to community living smooth and seamless through facilitation of even the smallest details. When the senior has moved into the community of their choice, a dedicated staff follows up with the senior on a regular basis, to ensure that all needs are being met, and that any problems or issues are resolved immediately.

As a geriatric social worker with over 18 years of experience working with older adults, and a Franchise Operations Trainer, I know that providing quality care to older adults, whether in their own homes or in an Independent or Assisted Living setting, is the best way to honor the seniors in our communities. For more information on honoring seniors by helping them with their home care needs, contact a Care Coordinator at Always Best Care or a senior care professional in your area.

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