SENIOR RESOURCE DIRECTORY



LEWIS-MASON-THURSTON COUNTIES

WASHINGTON STATE

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www.LMTAAA.org

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Lewis-Mason-Thurston Area Agency on Aging



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Frequently Used Numbers

Social Security Administration	
Alzheimer's Association Helpline	1-800-848-7097
American Association of Retired Persons (AARP)	1-800-424-3410
WA Information Network	2-1-1
WA Medicare	1-866-634-4227

For Information outside of the Lewis, Mason & Thurston County area you can call:

ELDERCARE LOCATOR

Community Assistance for Seniors 1-800-677-1116 toll-free www.eldercare.gov

To report errors in this directory or to request to have your information listed here please call:

(360) 664-3162 x112

Or toll-free: 1-888-545-0910 x112

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IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO LOCATE THE INFORMATION OR PHONE NUMBER YOU ARE LOOKING FOR PLEASE CONTACT:

Lewis-Mason-Thurston Area Agency on Aging

Senior Information & Assistance Specialist

Lewis County: Chehalis office

1651 S. Market Blvd., Chehalis, WA 98532 (360) 748-2288 x101, or toll-free 1-888-702-4464 x101

Mason County: Shelton office

628 W. Alder St/PO Box 2087, Shelton, WA 98584 (360) 427-2225 x101, or toll-free 1-877-227-4696 x101

Thurston County: Olympia office

4419 Harrison Ave NW, Olympia, WA 98502 (360) 664-3162 x133, or toll-free 1-888-545-0910 x133

www.LMTAAA.org

INTRODUCTION

Long-term care is a phrase used to describe a wide range of services that are available to help those who find it difficult to maintain their independence. Some of the reasons for this difficulty can be related to chronic illnesses or other health-related problems, surgeries, accidents, or the gradual loss of capabilities associated with the natural aging process. The emphasis today is on providing services to allow a person to remain in the least restrictive environment possible.

There are many services available in Lewis, Mason and Thurston Counties that help people remain in or return to their own home following a medical or emotional crisis. When a change in residence does become a necessity, there are alternative living accommodations that can be explored.

This directory provides information to assist those who may be in need of help with community programs and services, in-home services, a decision to move to another residence, or selecting a nursing home or convalescent center. Every attempt has been made to ensure this publication is all-inclusive, the focus being on public, non-profit services. If your organization is not listed, please contact the Lewis-Mason-Thurston Area Agency on Aging at:

360-664-2168 ext. 112 or 1-888-545-0910 ext. 112

The information in this directory is provided as a starting point only and as an encouragement to the residents of Lewis, Mason and Thurston Counties to seek help, but not as an endorsement of the providers listed. Use of this directory should not be considered as a referral or recommendation. Information changes rapidly, so please do not hesitate to call any of the numbers listed for updated or more specific information.

Introduction

COMMUNITY SERVICES LISTINGS

ABUSE OF THE ELDERLY

Most elder abuse is the result of many complex and interrelated factors. It can happen at home with family members or other caregivers, or in residential care settings. Elder abuse can be physical, verbal, emotional and/or financial. If abuse occurs at home or in a residential setting, there is help available from the Department of Social and Health Services. Call 911 for life threatening emergencies. If you suspect an older person is being abused, neglected, or exploited, please contact one of the following offices:

DSHS Complaint Hotline for residential care facilities:

1-800-562-6078 toll-free 1-800-737-7931 (TTY) toll free

DSHS Adult Protective Services for suspected in-home abuse:

1-877-734-6277 toll-free

ADULT DAY CARE

Adult day care programs provide a variety of health, social, and related support services in a protective setting. The older person is engaged in a social setting while providing families a break from caregiving responsibilities.

Thurston County:

Senior Services for South Sound STARS Program

OLYMPIA: 222 Columbia Street NW, Olympia, WA 98501

360-586-6181

LACEY: 6757 Pacific Avenue SE, Lacey, WA 98503

360-407-3967

SHELTON: 1212 Connection Street, Shelton, WA 98584

360-586-6181

www.southsoundseniors.org

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ALCOHOL & DRUG ABUSE TREATMENT

Alcohol and substance abuse treatment is based upon a person's needs. Some individuals prefer treatment programs tailored specifically to older adults.

INPATIENT TREATMENT:

Thurston County:

Providence St. Peter Hospital
Chemical Dependency Center
4800 College Street SE, Lacey, WA 98503
360-456-7575 or toll-free 1-800-332-0465

OUTPATIENT TREATMENT:

Lewis County:

Providence Addictions Recovery Centers

Centralia &

Chehalis: 360-748-4357 or toll-free 1-800-622-4009

Morton: 360-496-6216 **New Directions Counseling** 360-740-4380 (Lewis County)

Mason County:

Alcoholics Anonymous

360-352-7344

Alcohol and Drug 24 hour Helpline

1-800-562-1240 (voice/TDD) toll-free

Providence Addictions Recovery Centers

Shelton: 360-432-8692, Belfair: 360-277-0523

Behavioral Health Resources Recovery Services

360-426-1696

New Directions Counseling

360-427-5232 (Mason County)

Northwest Resources

360-426-0890

Northwest Indian Treatment Center

90 SE Klah-Che-Min Drive, Shelton, WA 98584

360-427-9006

Alcohol & Drug Abuse Treatment

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ALCOHOL & DRUG ABUSE TREATMENT

OUTPATIENT TREATMENT (cont'd)

Thurston County:

Alcoholics Anonymous 360-352-7344

Alcohol and Drug 24 hour Helpline 1-800-562-1240 (voice/TDD) toll-free

BHR Recovery Services & Northwest Resources 360-704-7170

CARE/CASE MANAGEMENT

Case managers/social workers create a plan of care designed to identify individual needs and arrange for, monitor, and coordinate services.

PUBLIC AGENCIES: Services provided without cost

Lewis County:

DSHS Home & Community Services 163 NE Hampe Way, Chehalis, WA 98532 360-767-6460 or toll-free 1-800-487-0360

Lewis-Mason-Thurston Area Agency on Aging 1651 S. Market Boulevard, Chehalis, WA 98532 360-748-2524 ext.101 or toll-free 1-888-702-4464

Mason County:

DSHS Home & Community Services

4500 10th Ave SE, Lacey, WA 98503 PO Box 45610, Olympia, WA 98504-5610 360-664-9050 or toll-free 1-800-462-4957

Lewis-Mason-Thurston Area Agency on Aging

4419 Harrison Ave NW, Olympia, WA 98502 360-664-3162 ext. 133 or toll-free 1-888-545-0910

CARE/CASE MANAGEMENT

PUBLIC AGENCIES (cont'd): Services provided without cost Thurston County:

DSHS Home and Community Services

4500 10th Ave SE, Lacey, WA 98503 PO Box 45610, Olympia, WA 98504-5610 360-664-9050 or toll-free 1-800-462-4957

Lewis-Mason-Thurston Area Agency on Aging

4419 Harrison Ave NW, Olympia, WA 98502 360-664-3162, ext.133 or toll-free 1-888-545-0910

PRIVATE AGENCIES: May charge for services

Lewis County:

All In One Health Care Services

360-888-0407

Eldercare Resources

David Robinson 360-789-8364

Smerken Consulting

Dan Smerken 360-570-3357 or toll-free 1-877-622-8504

Mason County:

All In One Health Care Services

360-888-0407

Eldercare Resources

David Robinson 360-789-8364

South Sound Care Connection

222 Columbia Street NW, Olympia, WA 98501 360-586-4491

Senior Services for South Sound- Mason County

Box 1880 / 790 E. John's Prairie Road Shelton, WA 98584 360-427-2060 or toll-free 1-888-270-0619

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CARE/CASE MANAGEMENT

Mason County, cont'd:

Smerken Consulting

Dan Smerken 360-570-3357 or toll-free 1-877-622-8504

Thurston County:

All In One Health Care Services

360-888-0407

Eldercare Resources

David Robinson 360-789-8364

Elder Pathways Ltd

2416 N Alder Street, Tacoma, WA 98406 1-800-600-4030 toll-free

Smerken Consulting

Dan Smerken 360-570-3357 or toll-free 1-877-622-8504

South Sound Care Connection

222 Columbia Street NW, Olympia, WA 98501 360-586-4491

CONFLICT RESOLUTION

Conflict resolution services assist elders, their families, and caregivers with resolving conflicts that may arise around issues of autonomy, caregiving, housing, health care or end-of-life decisions. Trained mediators are available:

Lewis County:

Community Mediation Center of Lewis County 2616 NE Kresky Ave, Suite 305, Chehalis, WA 98532 360-748-0492

Lewis, Mason and Thurston Counties:

Dispute Resolution Center

PO Box 6184, Olympia, WA 98507-6184 360-956-1155

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CRISIS INTERVENTION HOTLINES

These agencies provide a 24-hour crisis hotline to assist people in need, as well as provide information about community resources and referrals to other organizations and agencies.

Lewis County:

Crisis Clinic

360-586-2800 or toll-free 1-800-627-2211

Cascade Mental Health Center

360-748-6696 or toll-free 1-800-559-6696

Mason and Thurston County:

Crisis Clinic

360-586-2800 or toll-free 1-800-627-2211

Crisis Resolution Services

360-754-1338 or toll-free 1-800-270-0041

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE & SEXUAL ASSAULT ISSUES should be directed to the following agencies:

Lewis County:

Human Response Network

360-748-6601 or toll-free 1-800-244-7414

White Pass Community Services Coalition

360-496-5404 or toll-free 1-800-994-8899

Mason County:

Center for Advocacy and Personal Development

Sexual Assault Advocacy

360-426-6925 or toll-free 1-888-341-7922

Turning Pointe Domestic Violence Services

360-432-1212 or toll-free 1-877-923-1212

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Crisis Intervention Hotlines

CRISIS INTERVENTION HOTLINES

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE & SEXUAL ASSAULT ISSUES, cont'd:

North Mason County:

Turning Pointe Domestic Violence Services 360-432-1212 or toll-free 1-877-923-1212

Kitsap Sexual Assault Center 360-479-8500

Thurston County:

SafePlace 360-754-6300

Lewis, Mason, and Thurston Counties:

Crime Victims Advocacy Network

1-866-711-2826 toll-free Lewis: 360-748-6601cell 360-528-1179 Mason: 360-426-9726 x107 ..cell 360-528-1179 Thurston: 360-786-5601cell 360-528-1174

CULTURAL SERVICES

Thurston County:

Cielo Project Hispanic/Latino Services 360-709-0931

Korean Seniors Association-Lacey Senior Center 6757 Pacific Avenue SE, Lacey, WA 98503 360-407-3967

Spanish Speaking Seniors-Lacey Senior Center 6757 Pacific Avenue SE, Lacey, WA 98503 360-407-3967

Vietnamese Senior Association Evergreen Villages 505 Division St NW, Olympia, WA 98502 360-943-5505

DEMENTIA & MEMORY WELLNESS

The Memory Wellness Program of the University of Washington and Veteran's Affairs offers an evaluation, lab work, and treatment consultation free of charge to people 55 years of age and older who have concerns about memory.

University of Washington

Memory Wellness Program 1-866-683-8813 toll-free

www.memorywellness.org

American Lake VA Hospital Geriatric Research and Evaluation Clinic

Free diagnostic testing, medical evaluations, resource referral for adults—veteran & non-veteran—with suspected Alzheimer's Disease or other memory disorders. 253-583-2033

DENTAL CARE

Lewis, Mason & Thurston County:

Bates Technical College-Tacoma

253-596-1677

Pierce College -Tacoma

253-964-6694

Sea Mar Dental Clinic

409 Custer Street, Suite C, Tumwater, WA 98501 360-570-8016 or 360-570-7902

South Puget Sound Community College Dental Program

360-596-5464

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DENTAL CARE

Lewis County:

Family Health Center Dental Clinic 1057 12th Avenue, Longview, WA 98632 360-414-1300

Valley View Health Center 2690 NE Kresky Ave, Chehalis, WA 98532 360-330-9595

Valley View Health Center- DENTAL ONLY 102-A Westlake Avenue, Morton, WA 98356 360-496-5101

Mason County:

Mason Community Dental Clinic 807 W Railroad Ave / PO Box 407, Shelton, WA 98584 360-426-2708 www.mcdentalclinic.org

Thurston County:

Olympia Union Gospel Mission 413 Franklin St NE, Olympia, WA 360-943-6400

DENTURE SERVICES:

Denture Services of Washington 10518 South Tacoma Way, Suite B, Tacoma, WA 98499 1-800-260-3128 (toll free)

Bates Technical College Denturist – Tacoma 253-680-7314

DENTAL CARE

FOR A LIST OF DENTISTS WHO ACCEPT MEDICAID call:

Thurston-Mason County Dental Society 360-956-0828

IF YOU DO NOT HAVE ACCESS TO DENTAL CARE call:

Pope's Kids Place- ask for Dental Services 360-736-9178 (serving Lewis, Mason & Thurston Counties)

For more information on a complete range of dental services and programs for low income beneficiaries, please call your local Lewis-Mason-Thurston Area Agency on Aging Office (LMTAAA).

Lewis County:

LMTAAA Chehalis Office

1651 S. Market Blvd., Chehalis, WA 98532 360-748-2524 ext. 101 or toll-free 1-888-702-4464

Mason County:

LMTAAA Shelton Office

628 W. Alder St, Shelton, WA 98584 360-427-2225 ext. 101 or toll-free 1-877-227-4696

Thurston County:

LMTAAA Olympia Office

4419 Harrison Ave NW, Olympia, WA 98502 360-664-3162 ext. 133 or toll-free 1-888-545-0910

These programs assist disabled persons and their families to obtain maximum benefits, services, information and referral services.

Lewis County:

Brain Injury Association of Washington Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Resource Center PO Box 3044, Seattle, WA 98114 1-877-982-4292 toll-free www.braininjurywa.org

Center for Independence

10828 Gravelly Lake Drive SW, Suite 112 Lakewood, WA 98499 253-582-1253

Department of Services for the Blind

1-800-552-7103 toll-free

Department of Social and Health ServicesDivision of Developmental Disabilities

360-725-4250 or 1-800-339-8227 toll-free

Easter Seal Society of Washington

1-800-678-5708 toll-free

Lewis-Mason-Thurston Area Agency on Aging Chehalis Office

1651 S. Market Blvd., Chehalis, WA 98532 360-748-2524 ext. 101 or 1-888-702-4464 toll-free

Office of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

360-902-8000 (Voice & TTY)

Tacoma Area Coalition of Individuals with Disabilities

253-565-9000

Validus Consulting & Services

24421 34th Ave Ct. E., Spanaway, WA 98387 253-847-7887

Lewis County, cont'd:

Washington State Talking Books & Braille Library

1-800-542-0866 toll-free

Mason County:

Brain Injury Association of Washington Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Resource Center

PO Box 3044, Seattle, WA 98114 1-877-982-4292 toll-free www.braininjurywa.org

Center for Independence

10828 Gravelly Lake Drive SW, Suite 112 Lakewood, WA 98499

253-582-1253

Department of Services for the Blind

1-800-552-7103 toll-free

Department of Social and Health Services

Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD) 360-753-4673 or toll-free 1-800-339-8227

Easter Seal Society of Washington

1-800-678-5708 toll-free

Lewis-Mason-Thurston Area Agency on Aging Shelton Office

628 W. Alder St./PO Box 2087, Shelton, WA 98584 360-427-2225 ext. 101 or toll-free 1-877-227-4696

Office of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

360-902-8000 (Voice & TTY)

Peninsula Rehabilitation Services for Vision 360-765-4239

Tacoma Area Coalition of Individuals with Disabilities

253-565-9000

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Disability Services

Mason County, cont'd:

Validus Consulting & Services

24421 34th Ave Ct E, Spanaway, WA 98387 253-847-7887

Washington State Talking Books & Braille Library

1-800-542-0866 toll-free

Thurston County:

Brain Injury Association of Washington Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Resource Center

PO Box 3044, Seattle, WA 98114 1-877-982-4292 toll-free www.braininjurywa.org

Behavioral Health Resources

360-704-7170 or toll-free 1-800-825-4820

Center for Independence

10828 Gravelly Lake Dr. SW, Suite 112 Lakewood, WA 98499 253-582-1253

Department of Services for the Blind

1-800-552-7103 toll-free

Easter Seal Society of Washington

1-800-678-5708 toll-free

Lewis-Mason-Thurston Area Agency on Aging Olympia Office

4419 Harrison Ave NW, Olympia, WA 98502 360-664-3162, ext. 133 or toll-free 1-888-545-0910

Office of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

360-902-8000 (Voice & TTY)

Thurston County, cont'd:

Tacoma Area Coalition of Individuals with Disabilities 253-565-9000

Thurston County Association of the Deaf 360-458-4623 (TTY/FAX)

Validus Consulting and Services 24421 34th Ave Ct E, Spanaway, WA 98387 253-847-7887

Washington State Talking Books & Braille Library 1-800-542-0866 toll-free

EYE CARE

Lewis, Mason and Thurston Counties:

Eye Care America 1-877-887-6327 www.eyecareamerica.org

Olympia Union Gospel Mission 413 Franklin St NE, Olympia, WA 360-709-9725

National Eye Care Project (Olympia only) 1-800-222-3937 toll-free

Vision USA 1-800-766-4466 www.aoa.org/visionusa.xml

FAMILY CAREGIVER SUPPORT PROGRAM

The Lewis-Mason-Thurston Area Agency on Aging (LMTAAA) Family Caregiver Support Program is designed to provide an array of services and supports for the unpaid family caregivers whose dedication allows individuals who need care to remain in their homes. The Family Caregiver Support Program provides the following services:

- Counseling Services
- Information & Referral Assistance
- Family Caregiver Workshops
- Housework & Errands Program
- Resource Libraries
- Respite Care
- Resources for Grandparents Raising Grandchildren

Lewis County:

LMTAAA Chehalis office Family Caregiver Support Program 360-748-2288 ext. 110 or toll-free 1-888-702-4464

Mason County:

LMTAAA Shelton office Family Caregiver Support Program 360-427-2225 ext. 110 or toll-free 1-877-227-4696

Thurston County:

LMTAAA Olympia office Family Caregiver Support Program360-664-3162 ext. 106 or 135
or toll-free 1-888-545-0910, ext. 106 or 135

www.LMTAAA.org

FOOD BANKS

Food banks may require an application for services and verification of your identity and address. Dates and times of distributions are subject to change.

Lewis County:

Greater Chehalis Food Bank

Yard Birds Shopping Center 2100 N. National Ave, Chehalis, WA 98532 360-748-1226

Lewis County Food Bank Coalition

360-736-3835

Pe Ell Food Bank—St Joseph Church

417 N Main Street, Pe Ell, WA 98572 360-291-3434

Salvation Army

303 N Gold, Centralia, WA 98531 360-736-4339

Somma Food Bank

682 Winston Creek Road, Silver Creek, WA 98585 360-985-2422

Toledo Food Bank- Sherry

130 2nd St. N, Toledo, WA 98591 360-978-6448

White Pass Food Bank

United Methodist Church, Randle, WA 98377 1-800-247-5872

Winlock Food Bank—Sacks First Avenue

503 NE 1st Street, Winlock, WA 98596 360-785-4377

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Food Banks

FOOD BANKS

Mason County:

Hood Canal Food Bank

331 N Finch Creek Road, Hoodsport, WA 98528 360-877-6507

Matlock Food Bank

216 W Matlock-Brady Road, Matlock, WA 98215 360-426-1903

North Mason Food Bank

22471 State Route 3, Belfair, WA 98528 360-275-4615

Saints Pantry

214 S 2nd Street, Shelton, WA 98584 360-427-8847

United Methodist Church

1900 King Street, Shelton, WA 98584 360-426-4174

Thurston County:

Rainier Emergency Food Center

Valley Heart Church 11318 Vail Cut-Off Rd. SE, Rainier, WA 98576 360-446-2626

Rochester Community Center (ROOF)

10140 Hwy 12 SW, Rochester, WA 98579 360-273-6375

South Thurston United Friends (STUF)

18214 Corvalis Street, Rochester, WA 98579 360-273-5891

Tenino Food Bank

249 W Lincoln, Tenino, WA 98589 360-264-5505

FOOD BANKS

Thurston County, cont'd:

Thurston County Food Bank

220 Thurston Ave NE, Olympia, WA 98501 360-352-8597

Yelm Food Bank

624 Crystal Springs Rd NW, Yelm, WA 98597 360-458-4003

GLBTQIA

Services & advocacy for Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender, Questioning, Intersexed individuals & their Allies.

Lewis, Mason & Thurston Counties:

SAGE Olympia

SAGE (Services & Advocacy for GLBT Elders) Olympia is the GLBT Eldercare project operating in Olympia, WA, and is a net affiliate of SAGE USA.

PO Box 7221, Olympia, WA 98507 www.sageolympia.org

PFLAG

PO Box 12732, Olympia, WA 98508 http://pflag-olympia.org/

GUARDIANSHIP SERVICES

Guardianship, representative payee and powers-of-attorney services are available on an as needed basis.

Lewis County:

Steve Broom

PO Box 686, Kelso, WA 98626 360-749-2181

Christine Greig

PO Box 276, Longview, WA 98632 360-431-7937

Senior Guardianship Services

PO Box 2670, Olympia, WA 98507 360-943-7413

Sound Guardianship Inc.

Pam Privette, PO Box 11695, Olympia, WA 98508 360-866-1063

Mason County:

Kuehn & Caldwell Guardian Care & Consulting 1007 Scott Street, Suite D, Bremerton, WA 98310

1007 Scott Street, Suite D, Bremerton, WA 98310 360-405-1030

Senior Guardianship Services

PO Box 2670, Olympia, WA 98507 360-943-7413

Sound Guardianship Inc.

Pam Privette, PO Box 11695, Olympia, WA 98508 360-866-1063

Thurston County:

Senior Guardianship Services- Michelle Pemberthy

PO Box 2670, Olympia, WA 98507 360-943-7413

Sound Guardianship Inc. - Pam Privette

PO Box 11695, Olympia, WA 98508 360-866-1063

HEALTH CARE SCREENINGS

Cholesterol, diabetes, blood pressure and other health screenings are available. Contact the following for times and locations in your community.

Mason County:

Health Care Center 107 North 8th, Shelton, WA 98584 360-426-9717

Mason County Senior Activities Center 826 W. Railroad Avenue, Shelton, WA 98584 360-426-7374

Thurston County:

Providence Plus 413 Lilly Road NE, Olympia, WA 98506 360-493-7768

Senior Services for South Sound 222 Columbia Street NW, Olympia, WA 98501 360-586-6181

HOME CARE REFERRAL REGISTRY

The Home Care Referral Registry is a service provided by the Lewis-Mason-Thurston Area Agency on Aging through a contract with the Aging and Disability Services Administration. The Registry matches clients who qualify for State-funded in-home care with pre-screened and pre-qualified in-home care workers.

Lewis, Mason, and Thurston Counties:

Lewis-Mason-Thurston Area Agency on Aging 4419 Harrison Ave NW, Olympia, WA 98502 360-664-3162 ext. 143 or toll-free 1-800-970-5456

A wide range of services that include but are not limited to: case management, physical, occupational and respiratory therapies, speech/language pathology, home health aides, medical/social workers, home care providers, counseling, transportation, respite and nutritional services may be provided on an individualized basis. The cost of services may be covered by Medicare, Medicaid, private insurance or private pay.

Lewis County:

Advanced Health Care

406 Lilly Road NE, Suite C, Olympia, WA 98506 360-459-7888 or toll-free 1-800-690-3330

Anthony Care, LLC

5317 Atchinson Dr. SE, Olympia, WA 98513 360-456-0788

Assured Home Health & Hospice and Private Duty Services

1821 Cooks Hill Road. Suite 200, Centralia, WA 98531 360-330-2640 or toll-free 1-800-833-9404

Catholic Community Services Long Term Care

PO Box 1152, Chehalis, WA 98532 360-345-1100 or toll-free 1-800-642-8021

Help at Home Senior Services

360-736-9300 or toll-free 1-866-807-9300

Home Instead Senior Care

1217 Cooper Point Rd. SW, Suite 8, Olympia, WA 98502 360-570-0049

Korean Women's Association

417 North Pearl Street, Centralia, WA 98531 360-736-4310 or toll-free 1-888-508-2728

Providence Sound Home Care & Hospice

500 SE Washington, Chehalis, WA 98532 360-330-8585 or toll-free 1-800-869-7062

Lewis County cont'd:

ResCare HomeCare of Washington

1000 Kresky Ave, Centralia, WA 98531 360-736-1758 or toll-free 1-888-329-4695

Right at Home Home Care

975 Carpenter Rd NE, Suite 101, Olympia, WA 98516 360-292-7511

South Sound CBOC VA Clinic

151 NE Hampe Way Suite B2-6, Chehalis, WA 98532 1-800-329-8387 option #2

Mason County:

Advanced Health Care

406 Lilly Road NE, Suite C, Olympia, WA 98506 360-459-7888 or toll-free 1-800-690-3330

Assured Home Health Care and Hospice Care

2102 Carriage Dr. SW, Olympia, WA 98502 360-236-9204 or toll-free 1-800-833-9404

Assured Private Duty Services

2102 Carriage Dr. SW, Olympia, WA 98502 360-236-9204 or toll-free 1-800-833-9404

Catholic Community Services: LTC Programs

1716 Olympic Highway N/PO Box 1228 Shelton, WA 98584 360-427-2230 or toll-free 1-800-642-8026

Home Instead Senior Care

1217 Cooper Point Rd SW., Suite 8, Olympia, WA 98502 360-570-0049

Korean Women's Association

706A Cascade Ave., Shelton, WA 98584 360-426-9700 or toll-free 1-888-508-2734

Lean on Me Home Care, LLC

PO Box 655, Union, WA 98592 360-545-4321 www.leanonme.ws

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Home Care Services

Mason County, cont'd:

Providence Sound Home Care and Hospice

2146 W. Railroad Avenue, Shelton, WA 98584 360-426-7928 or toll-free 1-800-869-7062

ResCare HomeCare of Washington

2101 4th Avenue E Suite 103, Olympia, WA 98506 360-570-8000 or toll-free 1-888-329-4695

South Sound Care Connection

790 E John's Prairie Road, Box 1880, Shelton, WA 98584 360-427-2060 or toll-free 1-888-270-0619

Thurston County:

Advanced Health Care

3825 Martin Way E, Suite 104, Olympia, WA 98506 360-459-7888 or toll-free 1-800-690-3330

Anthony Care, LLC

5317 Atchinson Dr. SE, Olympia, WA 98513 360-456-0788

Assured Home Health Care & Hospice Care

2102 Carriage Dr. SW, Olympia, WA 98502 360-236-9204 or toll-free 1-800-833-9404

Assured Private Duty Services

2102 Carriage Dr. SW, Olympia, WA 98502 360-236-9204 or toll-free 1-800-833-9404

Catholic Community Services: LTC Programs

129 Decatur St. NW, Olympia, WA 98502 360-586-2960 or toll-free 1-800-783-8193

Help at Home Senior Services

360-736-9300 or toll-free 1-866-807-9300

Home Instead Senior Care

1217 Cooper Point Rd SW, Suite 8, Olympia, WA 98502 360-570-0049

Thurston County, cont'd:

Korean Women's Association

1302 Homann Dr. SE, Lacey, WA 98503 360-455-4524 or toll-free 1-888-508-2779

Maxim Healthcare Services

1230 Ruddell Road Suites 101 & 102 Lacey, WA 98503 360-456-1680 or toll-free 1-866-617-3781

Olympic Home Care

2629 Parkmont Lane SW, Suite 101-B, Olympia, WA 98502 360-943-0680 or toll-free 1-855-943-0680

Providence Sound Home Care and Hospice

3432 South Bay Road NE, Lacey, WA 98506 360-459-8311 or toll-free 1-800-869-7062

ResCare HomeCare of Washington

2101 4th Avenue E Suite 103, Olympia, WA 98506 360-570-8000 or toll-free 1-888-329-4695

Right at Home Home Care

975 Carpenter Rd NE, Suite 101, Olympia, WA 98516 360-292-7511

South Sound Care Connection

222 Columbia Street NW, Olympia, WA 98501 360-586-4491

Visiting Angels

809 Legion Way, Suite 305, Olympia, WA 98507 360-705-1929

HOME HEALTH, MEDICAL & OXYGEN EQUIPMENT

Lewis County:

Adaptive Mobility, Inc.

360-753-4445

Apria Medical

1-800-638-0140 toll-free

Halls Pharmacy

505 S Tower, Centralia, WA 98531 360-736-0703

Lincare, Inc.

355 NW State Suite 2, Chehalis, WA 98532 360-748-4534 or toll-free 1-800-205-4639

Twin Cities Senior Center (medical equipment only) 360-748-0061

Mason County:

Aaro Medical Supply

1-800-752-2276 toll-free

Adaptive Mobility, Inc.

360-753-4445

Apria Medical

1-800-638-0140 toll-free

Gateway Rentals

2505 Olympic Highway N, #200, Shelton, WA 98584 360-426-1091 or toll-free 1-877-426-1091

Love, INC. (medical equipment only)

221 W. Railroad Ave., #10, Shelton, WA 98584 360-426-LOVE (5683)

Sound Oxygen Services

1-877-269-0405 toll-free

HOME HEALTH, MEDICAL & OXYGEN EQUIPMENT

Mason County, cont'd:

The following agencies accept and loan out medical equipment at no charge for temporary use:

Faith in Action/The Haven Medical Equip. Bank

Faith in Action: 360-275-9115 The Haven: 360-277-0636

Thurston County:

Aaro Medical Supply 1-800-752-2276 toll-free

Adaptive Mobility, Inc.

360-753-4445

Apria Medical

1-800-638-0140 toll-free

Care Medical

3430 Pacific Ave, Suite A5, Olympia, WA 98501 1-800-634-4992 toll-free

Family Equipment Exchange

6544 Cedar Flats Road SW, Olympia, WA 98512 360-866-3515

Kirk's Medical Services

6906 Martin Way E, Olympia, WA 98516 360-491-1851 or toll-free 1-800-576-5475

406 Yauger Way SW #406-C, Olympia, WA 98502 360-357-2282

Lincare, Inc.

1306 Fones Road SE, Olympia, WA 98501 360-923-1985 or toll-free 1-800-391-8145

Performance Home Medical

418 Lilly Road NE, Olympia, WA 98506 360-456-4052

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HOME HEALTH, MEDICAL & OXYGEN EQUIPTMENT

Thurston County, cont'd:

Preferred Medical, Inc.

2938 Limited Lane NW, Suite D, Olympia, WA 98502 1-866-236-6375 toll-free

The following agency accepts and loans out medical equipment at no charge for temporary use:

Thurston County Medical Equipment Bank 360-456-8810

HOME REPAIR

Loans and grants are made available to eligible individuals to maintain the health and safety of the recipients' own home. Volunteers are available to perform home repairs for qualifying clients. Clients generally pay for materials. In some cases, funding is available to purchase some or all of the materials.

Lewis, Mason, and Thurston Counties:

Catholic Community Services: Volunteer Chore 360-586-2915

USDA Rural Development 360-704-7760

Lewis County:

Community Action Council 409 N Tower, Centralia, WA 98531 360-736-1800

HOME REPAIR

Mason County:

Community Action Council

807 W Railroad, Shelton, WA 98584 360-426-9726

Faith in Action Senior Services

23780 St. Rte. 3, Belfair, WA 98528 360-275-0535

Habitat for Humanity

A Brush With Kindness Program

360-426-8134

Thurston County:

Community Action Council

420 Golf Club Rd. SE, Lacey, WA 98503 360-438-1100

Rebuilding Together Thurston County

PO Box 12822, Olympia, WA 98508 360-539-7830

www.rebuildingtogethertc.org

HOSPITALS

Lewis County:

Morton General Hospital

521 Adams, Morton, WA 98356 360-496-5112

Providence Centralia Hospital

914 S Scheuber Road, Centralia, WA 98531 360-736-2803

Mason County:

Harrison Medical Center

21 NE Romance Hill Rd., Belfair, WA 98528 360-277-2950 Primary Care 360-277-2975 Urgent Care

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Home Repair—Hospitals

HOSPITALS

Mason County, cont'd:

Mason General Hospital

901 Mountain View Dr., Shelton, WA 98584 360-426-1611 or 360-754-5858 www.masongeneral.com

Thurston County:

Capital Medical Center

3900 Capital Mall Drive SW, Olympia, WA 98502 360-754-5858

Providence St Peter Hospital

413 Lilly Road NE, Olympia, WA 98506 360-491-9480 or toll-free 1-888-492-9480

HOUSING

Lewis County:

Longview Housing Authority

1207 Commerce Ave, Longview, WA 98632 360-423-0140

White Pass Community Services Coalition

123 W Main / PO Box 789, Morton, WA 98356 360-496-2322

Mason County:

Housing Authority of the City of Bremerton

Mason County Office 221 W. Railroad, Suite 3, Shelton, WA 98584 360-479-3694

Thurston County:

Housing Authority of Thurston County

1206 12th Ave SE, Olympia, WA 98501 360-753-8292

INFORMATION & ASSISTANCE

Lewis-Mason-Thurston Area Agency on Aging Information & Assistance provides help to individuals to link them with services, to arrange home visits if necessary, to follow up when appropriate, and to aid in service arrangements.

Lewis County:

Lewis-Mason-Thurston Area Agency on Aging Chehalis Office

1651 S. Market Boulevard, Chehalis, WA 98532 360-748-2524 ext. 101 or toll-free 1-888-702-4464

WIN 2-1-1 Washington Information Network 2-1-1

Mason County:

Lewis-Mason-Thurston Area Agency on Aging Shelton Office

628 W. Alder St. / PO Box 2087, Shelton, WA 98584 360-427-2225 ext. 101 or toll-free 1-877-227-4696

North Mason County Resource Center 23554 NE SR 3 / PO Box 2052, Belfair, WA 360-275-3652

WIN 2-1-1 Washington Information Network 2-1-1

Thurston County:

Lewis-Mason-Thurston Area Agency on Aging Olympia Office

4419 Harrison Ave NW, Olympia, WA 98502 360-664-3162 ext. 133 or toll-free 1-888-545-0910

WIN 2-1-1 Washington Information Network 2-1-1

INSURANCE COUNSELING

Lewis County:

Insurance Commissioner Consumer Hotline

1-800-562-6900 toll-free

Medicare Hotline

1-800-633-4227 toll-free

Statewide Health Insurance Benefits Advisors

Helpline (SHIBA)

1-800-562-6900 toll-free

Mason County:

CHOICE Regional Health Network

(for non-Medicare issues only) 2407 Pacific Avenue SE, Olympia, WA 98501

360-493-4550 or toll-free 1-800-981-2123

Insurance Commissioner Consumer Hotline

1-800-562-6900 toll-free

Medicare Hotline

1-800-633-4227 toll-free

Statewide Health Insurance Benefits Advisors

Helpline (SHIBA)

1-800-562-6900 toll-free

Thurston County:

CHOICE Regional Health Network

(for non-Medicare issues only)

2409 Pacific Avenue SE, Olympia, WA 98501

360-493-4550 or 1-800-981-2123 toll free

Insurance Commissioner Consumer Hotline

1-800-562-6900 toll-free

Medicare Hotline

1-800-633-4227 toll-free

Statewide Health Insurance Benefits Advisors

Helpline (SHIBA)

1-800-562-6900 toll-free

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KINSHIP CARE SERVICES

Services are available for grandparents or other relatives raising children, such as information and assistance, support groups, educational events, respite, and emergency assistance.

Lewis, Mason and Thurston Counties:

Family Education and Support Services

1202 Black Lake Blvd., Suite B, Olympia, WA 98502 360-754-7629 or 1-877-813-2828 toll free

www.familyeducationandsupport.org

LEGAL SERVICES

Legal services include advice and representation in civil legal matters such as public entitlements (DSHS, Medicaid, etc.), housing, consumer rights and personal care and safety issues.

Lewis County:

Legal Aid/Lawyer Referral

139 NW Chehalis Ave., Chehalis, WA 98532 360-748-0430

Northwest Justice Project CLEAR *Sr

1-888-387-7111 toll free 1-888-201-9737 (TDD) toll free

www.nwjustice.org www.washingtonlawhelp.org

Mason and Thurston Counties:

Northwest Justice Project CLEAR *Sr

1-888-387-7111 toll free 1-888-201-9737 (TDD) toll free

www.nwjustice.org www.washingtonlawhelp.org

MEAL PROGRAMS

Congregate (group) meals are available at the following senior centers and nutrition sites.

Lewis County:

Mineral Recreation Site—Mineral Fire Station

104 Front Street W, Mineral, WA 98355 360-492-5561

Morton Senior Center

103 E Westlake Avenue, Morton, WA 98356 360-496-3230

Olequa Senior Center

119 NW Kerron, Winlock, WA 98596 360-785-4325

Packwood Senior Center

12931 Highway 12, Packwood, WA 98361 360-494-6331

Pe Ell Nutrition Site

United Methodist Church

416 1st Street , Pe Ell, WA 98572 360-291-3636

Toledo Senior Center

150 Coal Street, Toledo, WA 98591 360-864-2112

Twin Cities Senior Center

2545 North National Ave, Chehalis, WA 98532 360-748-0061

HOME-DELIVERED MEALS— Services are available which provide nutritious meals to older and disabled adults who are homebound and meet assessment criteria. Services are intended to maintain or improve the health status of these individuals.

Lewis County Senior Programs Catholic Community Services 360-748-0161

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MEAL PROGRAMS

Mason County:

Congregate (group) meals are available at the following senior centers and nutrition sites.

Mason County Senior Activities Center

826 Railroad Avenue, Shelton, WA 98584 360-426-7374

Belfair Community Baptist Church

23300 Washington 3 / PO Box 160, Belfair, WA 98528 360-275-4898

HOME-DELIVERED MEALS— Services are available which provide nutritious meals to older and disabled adults who are homebound and meet assessment criteria. Services are intended to maintain or improve the health status of these individuals.

Senior Services for South Sound

360-427-2060 or 1-888-270-0619– Mason County www.southsoundseniors.org

Thurston County:

Lacey Senior Center

Senior Services for South Sound

6757 Pacific Avenue SE, Lacey, WA 98503 360-407-3967

Olympia Senior Center

Senior Services for South Sound

222 Columbia Street NW, Olympia, WA 98501 360-586-6181

Rainier Senior Center

108 Michigan SW / PO Box 67, Rainier, WA 98576 360-446-2258

Rochester United Methodist Church

18206 Corvallis Street, Rochester, WA 98579 360-273-5000

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Meal Programs

MEAL PROGRAMS

Thurston County, cont'd:

Tenino Quarry House

399 Park Ave. W., Tenino, WA 98589 360-264-5092

Tumwater Old Town Center

215 North 2nd Avenue SW, Tumwater, WA 98512 360-754-4160

Yelm Adult Community Center

16530 103rd Ave SE, Yelm, WA 98597 360-458-7733

Vietnamese Senior Association

Evergreen Villages 505 Division St NW, Olympia, WA 98502 360-943-5505

HOME-DELIVERED MEALS— Services are available which provide nutritious meals to older and disabled adults who are homebound and meet assessment criteria. Services are intended to maintain or improve the health status of these individuals.

Senior Services for South Sound

360-586-6181

www.southsoundseniors.org

MEDICAL & HEALTH SERVICES

The following clinics provide primary outpatient medical care for residents who cannot afford health care. Persons in life-threatening situations or in serious distress cannot be treated at these clinics and should call 911 or go directly to a hospital emergency room.

Lewis County:

Valley View Health Center

2690 NE Kresky Ave, Chehalis, WA 98532 360-330-9595

Valley View Medical Center – Onalaska Location

1810 Hwy 508, Onalaska, WA 98570 360-978-6600

Veteran's Administration Community Based Outpatient Clinic (services for Veterans only)

151 NE Hampe Way, Chehalis, WA 98532 360-748-3049

Diabetes programs and classes are available. Topics include nutrition, meal planning, exercise, insulin and oral diabetes medications, blood glucose monitoring, complications and more.

Providence Centralia Hospital Diabetes Education

1010 Scheuber Rd., Centralia, WA 98531 360-807-7996

Mason County:

Health Care Center

107 N. 8th, Shelton, WA 98584 360-426-9717

Diabetes programs and classes are available. Topics include nutrition, meal planning, exercise, insulin and oral diabetes medications, blood glucose monitoring, complications and more.

Mason General Hospital—Diabetes Education 910 Mountain View Dr., Shelton, WA 98584

360-426-1611

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Medical & Health Services

MEDICAL & HEALTH SERVICES

Thurston County:

SeaMar Community Health Center 3030 Limited Lane, Olympia WA 98502 360-491-1399

Diabetes programs and classes are available. Topics include nutrition, meal planning, exercise, insulin and oral diabetes medications, blood glucose monitoring, complications and more.

Providence St. Peter Hospital: Boldt Diabetes Center 413 Lilly Road NE, Olympia, WA 98506 360-493-7567

MEDICATION ASSISTANCE RESOURCES

For information and assistance regarding the Low Income Subsidy from Social Security to help pay for prescriptions through the Medicare Part D Prescription Drug Program, contact the LMTA-AA Information & Assistance office in your area:

Lewis County: 360-748-2524 ext. 101

or toll-free 1-888-702-4464

Mason County: 360-427-2225 ext. 101

or toll-free 1-877-227-4696

Prescription Assistance Program

360-463-2981

Thurston County: 360-664-3162 ext. 133

or toll-free 1-888-545-0910

For patient assistance programs through the drug companies:

www.needymeds.org -or- www.benefitscheckup.org

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MEMORY WELLNESS

The Memory Wellness Program of the University of Washington and Veteran's Affairs offers an evaluation, lab work, and treatment consultation free of charge to people 55 years of age and older who have concerns about memory.

1-866-683-8813

www.memorywellness.org

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Services may include intake/assessment, crisis intervention, support groups, brief counseling, case monitoring, outpatient, home mental health services and interpretive services as needed.

Lewis County:

Cascade Mental Health Center

135 W Main Street, Chehalis, WA 98532 360-748-6696 or toll-free 1-800-559-6696

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)

Lewis County Chapter 360-807-8278 or 360-785-9668

Valley View Health Clinic

2690 NE Kresky Ave, Chehalis, WA 98532 360-330-9595

Mason County:

Behavioral Health Resources (BHR)

110 W K Street, Shelton, WA 98584 360-426-1696 or toll-free 1-800-825-4820

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MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Mason County, cont'd:

Capital Clubhouse Recovery Center

522 Franklin St. SE, Olympia, WA 98501 360-357-2582

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)

Thurston/Mason Chapter 360-493-6021 or 360-493-0431

Providence Sound Home Care & Hospice

2146 W Railroad Avenue, Shelton, WA 98584 360-426-7928 or 1-800-869-7062 toll free

Regional Support Network

412 Lilly Road NE, Olympia, WA 98506 360-786-5585

Thurston County:

Behavioral Health Resources (BHR)

3857 Martin Way E, Olympia, WA 98506 360-704-7170 or 1-800-825-4820 toll free

BHR Acute Psychiatric Services Evaluation and Treatment Center

3436 Mary Elder Road NE, Olympia, WA 98506 360-528-2590

Capital Clubhouse Recovery Center

522 Franklin St. SE, Olympia, WA 98501 360-357-2582

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)

Thurston/Mason Chapter 360-493-6021 or 360-493-0431

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Thurston County, cont'd:

Providence St Peter Hospital: Psych Services 413 Lilly Road NE, Olympia, WA 98506 360-493-7060

Providence Sound Home Care & Hospice 3432 South Bay Road NE, Olympia, WA 98506 360-459-8311 or 1-800-869-7062 toll free

Regional Support Network 412 Lilly Road NE, Olympia, WA 98506 360-786-5585

NURSE CONSULTATION

Registered nurses are available to answer health questions, provide physician referrals and registration for hospital sponsored health classes.

Lewis, Mason and Thurston Counties:

MEDnurse Capital Medical Center 1-888-MED-5101 toll free

Providence PLUS Providence St Peter Hospital 360-493-7768

OMBUDSMAN PROGRAM for LONG-TERM CARE

For concerns regarding long-term care facilities, patients' rights, problem resolution, complaints, and resources available to residents of long-term care facilities in Lewis, Mason and Thurston Counties contact:

Regional Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program 360-943-6018

State Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program 1-800-562-6028 toll-free

PERSONAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE SYSTEM

Emergency alert response systems allow elderly, handicapped and chronically ill people to be more confident living independently at home. The small remote control unit, which has a button to be pressed in case of need, works through the telephone.

Lewis, Mason and Thurston County:

Computerized Services, Inc. (CSI) 360-491-2206 or toll-free 1-800-230-7249

CST your Link to Life 1-888-557-4462 toll-free

Phillips Lifeline 1-800-368-2925 toll-free

Safe @ Home 1-800-608-2388 toll-free

SENIOR CENTERS

Call the individual centers for a current schedule of events, classes, and meal services.

Lewis County:

Morton Senior Center

103 Westlake, Morton, WA 98356 360-496-3230

Olequa Senior Center

119 SW Kerron, Winlock, WA 98596 360-785-4325

Packwood Senior Center

12931 Highway 12, Packwood, WA 98361 360-494-6331

Toledo Senior Center

150 Coal Street, Toledo, WA 98591 360-864-2112

Twin Cities Senior Center

2545 North National Ave, Chehalis, WA 98531 360-748-0061

Mason County:

Mason County Senior Activities Center

826 Railroad Avenue, Shelton, WA 98584 360-426-7374

Thurston County:

Senior Services for South Sound LACEY Senior Center

6757 Pacific Avenue SE, Lacey, WA 98503 360-407-3967 www.southsoundseniors.org

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Senior Centers

SENIOR CENTERS

Thurston County, cont'd:

Senior Services for South Sound OLYMPIA Senior Center

222 Columbia St NW, Olympia, WA 98501 360-586-6181

www.southsoundseniors.org

Rainier Senior Center

108 Michigan Street SW, Rainier, WA 98576 360-446-2258

Tumwater Old Town Center

215 North 2nd Avenue SW, Tumwater, WA 98512 360-252-5467

Yelm Adult Community Center

16530 103rd Ave SE, Yelm, WA 98597 360-458-7733

SENIOR COMPANIONS

Senior Companions are trained adult volunteers, age 55 yrs. & older, who give families much needed relief for three to four hours per week on a regularly scheduled basis. There is no charge to participants; serving adults 18 yrs. of age and older.

Thurston County:

Senior Companion Program

PO Box 667, 508 Eighth Street Hoquiam, WA 98550 1-888-532-9542

SOCIAL SECURITY

Lewis, Mason, and Thurston Counties:

Social Security Administration—Lewis County 1821 Cooks Hill Rd Suite 100, Centralia, WA 98531 360-330-2866 or 1-800-772-1213 toll free

Social Security Administration

402 Yauger Way SW, Olympia, WA 98502 1-866-755-6199

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SUPPORT GROUPS

Support groups provide education and help patients and families develop coping strategies related to particular diseases, illnesses or situations. Participation in these groups provides members with an opportunity to share their feelings and concerns. For information on currently active support groups, please call:

Lewis County:

Crisis Clinic

360-586-2800 or toll-free 1-800-627-2211

Lewis-Mason-Thurston Area Agency on Aging Chehalis Office

1651 S. Market Boulevard, Chehalis, WA 98532 360-748-2524 ext.101 or toll-free 1-888-702-4464

Providence Plus

360-493-7768

Mason County:

Crisis Clinic

360-586-2800 or toll-free 1-800-627-2211

Lewis-Mason-Thurston Area Agency on Aging Shelton Office

628 W. Alder St. / PO Box 2087, Shelton, WA 98584 360-427-2225 ext. 101 or toll-free 1-877-227-4696

Providence Plus

360-493-7768

Thurston County:

Crisis Clinic

360-586-2800 or 1-800-627-2211 toll free

Lewis-Mason-Thurston Area Agency on Aging Olympia Office

4419 Harrison Ave NW, Olympia, WA 98502 360-664-2168 ext. 133 or 1-888-545-0910

Providence Plus

360-493-7768

TELEPHONE REASSURANCE

A program to reassure persons living alone that they will be contacted daily. If there is no answer, action is taken to discover if an emergency exists and to notify designated people.

Lewis, Mason and Thurston County:

Care Checkers LLC

1-888-477-0435

SafetyNet Services

360-275-9385

Mason County:

CLC

360-877-6480

Lewis County:

TeleCare

360-262-3545

TRANSPORTATION

These services include scheduled and available-on-request transportation to medical facilities, shopping areas, senior centers and other essential locations. Personalized assistance is available for those who qualify.

Lewis County:

Catholic Community Services: Volunteer Chore

360-586-2915 or toll-free 1-855-827-6803

Catholic Community Services

Senior Transportation

360-748-0161

Community Action WorkSource

Service from Longview to Toledo/Chehalis (Wal-Mart) 1-800-383-2101 toll-free

Cowlitz Tribe Transportation

360-232-8585

TRANSPORTATION

Lewis County, cont'd:

Lewis Mountain Highway Transit

Fixed bus route from Packwood to Chehalis/Centralia and back.

360-496-5404 or toll-free 1-800-994-8899

Paratransit Services (Medicaid Clients only)

1-800-846-5438 toll-free

1-800-934-5438 (TDD only) toll-free

Seattle VA Puget Sound Health Care System

Marty, DAV coordinator

206-762-1010 or toll-free 1-800-329-8387

Press 1 after voice mail recording comes on and enter extension #62564 when prompted.

Twin Transit

360-330-2072

Mason County:

American MediCar Services

360-352-0342

Catholic Community Services: Volunteer Chore

360-586-2915

Faith In Action

23780 St. Rte. 3, PO Box 2697, Belfair, WA 98528 360-275-0535

Horizon Medical Transportation

360-491-6983

Mason County Transit Authority

360-427-5033 or toll-free 1-800-374-3747 360-427-0268 (TTD/TTY)

Paratransit Services (Medicaid Clients Only)

1-800-846-5438 or 1-800-934-5438 (TDD only)

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Transportation

TRANSPORTATION

Mason County, cont'd:

Rural Transportation

1-800-650-7846

www.transpro.org

Seattle VA Puget Sound Health Care System

206-762-1010 or 1-800-329-8387 toll-free Press 1 after voice mail recording comes on and enter extension #62564 when prompted.

The Patty Wagon

360-427-0202

Email: thepattywagon@rocketmail.com

Thurston County:

Catholic Community Services: Volunteer Chore

360-586-2915

Dial-A-Lift

360-754-9393 or 1-800-244-6846 toll-free

Intercity Transit

360-786-1881 or 1-800-287-6348 toll-free 360-943-5211 (TTY)

Intercity Transit Rider Update Line

360-705-5851

www.intercitytransit.com

Paratransit Services (Medicaid Clients Only)

1-800-846-5438 or 1-800-934-5438 (TDD only)

Rural and Tribal Transportation

Rochester, Tenino, Bucoda 1-800-650-7846

Seattle VA Puget Sound Health Care System

206-762-1010 or 1-800-329-8387 toll-free

Press 1 after voice mail recording comes on and enter extension #62564 when prompted.

TRANSPORTATION

Thurston County, cont'd:

Senior Services for South Sound

(Rural transportation for south Thurston County) 360-586-6181

Yelm Adult Community Center 360-458-7733

TRIBAL SERVICES

Each of the local tribes listed below provides a wide array of services for tribal members. These may include nutrition programs, health care, congregate meals, family caregiver support programs, transportation and elder centers. Please contact the individual tribes listed below for detailed information on services offered.

Chehalis Confederated Tribes

420 Howanut Rd Oakville, WA 98568 Main Office: 360-273-5911 Clinic: 360-273-5504

Social Services: 360-273-5821

Cowlitz Tribe

107 Spencer Rd Toledo, WA 98591 Housing: 360-864-7000

Transportation: 360-864-8585

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Transportation—Tribal Services

TRIBAL SERVICES

Nisqually Tribe

4820 She-Nah-Num Drive Olympia, WA 98513

Main Office: 360-456-5221 Elders Building: 360-486-9546

Clinic: 360-459-5312

Social Services: 360-456-5221

Skokomish Tribe

N 80 Tribal Center Road Shelton, WA 98584

Main Phone: 360-426-4232

Clinic: 360-426-5755

Social Services: 360-273-5821

South Puget Intertribal Planning Agency (SPIPA)

3104 SE Old Olympic Highway

Shelton, WA 98584

Main Phone: 1-800-924-3984 or 360-426-3990

Squaxin Island Tribe

SE 70 Squaxin Lane Shelton, WA 98584

Main Office: 360-426-7780

Transportation Hub: 360-432-0921

Clinic: 360-427-9006

Senior Lunch: 360-432-3854 Kamilche Dental: 360-427-1784 Housing Authority: 360-426-4641

UTILITY BILL ASSISTANCE

These programs offer information and assistance with paying utility bills. Persons must be income eligible.

Lewis County:

Community Action Council

409 N Tower, Centralia, WA 98531 360-736-1800 or toll-free 1-800-952-8012

City Utility Assistance Programs:

(If your town is not listed, call your local city hall for information)

Centralia 360-330-7657 Chehalis 360-748-6664 Morton 360-496-6881

Mason County:

Community Action Council

728 W Railroad, Shelton, WA 98584 360-426-9726

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307 W Cota, Shelton, WA 98584 360-426-8255

City Utility Assistance Programs:

(If your town is not listed, call your local city hall for information)

Shelton 360-426-4491

Thurston County:

Community Action Council

420 Golf Club Rd. SE, Lacey, WA 98503 360-438-1100

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Utility Bill Assistance

UTILITY BILL ASSISTANCE

Thurston County, cont'd:

City Utility Assistance Programs:

(If your town is not listed, call your local city hall for information)

Lacey 360-491-5616 Olympia 360-753-8340 Rainier 360-446-2265 Tenino 360-264-2368 Tumwater 360-754-4133 Yelm 360-458-3244

<u>Lewis, Mason, and Thurston Counties</u>: - Medicaid Only **Washington Telephone Assistance Program** Medicaid clients only: toll-free 1-888-700-8880

VETERAN'S AFFAIRS

Lewis County:

Lewis County Veterans Relief Fund 360-740-1223

Disabled American Veterans

206-220-6225

South Sound Community Based Outpatient Clinic

151 NE Hampe Way, Chehalis, WA 98532 360-748-3049

Veteran's Service Officer

360-740-7889

WA State Department of Veterans Affairs

360-725-2167 or toll-free 1-800-562-2308

VETERAN'S AFFAIRS

Mason County:

Mason County—Veterans Assistance Fund 360-426-4546

Disabled American Veterans 206-220-6225

Vietnam Veterans of America—WA State Council 206-220-6731

WA State Department of Veterans Affairs 360-725-2167 or 1-800-562-2308 toll free

Thurston County:

Disabled American Veterans 206-220-6225

South Sound Community Based Outpatient Clinic Centralized Call Center 1-800-329-8387 #2

Thurston County—Veterans Assistance Fund 360-867-2625

Vietnam Veterans of America—WA State Council 206-220-6731

WA State Department of Veterans Affairs 360-725-2167 or 1-800-562-2308 toll free

Lewis, Mason & Thurston County:

American Lake VA Hospital
Geriatric Research and Evaluation Clinic

Free diagnostic testing, medical evaluations, resource referral for adults—veteran & non-veteran—with suspected Alzheimer's Disease or other memory disorders.

253-583-2033

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Lewis County:

United Way Retired & Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)

360-748-8100

Mason County:

United Way Retired & Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)- to volunteer in Mason County contact the Thurston County United Way RSVP office at: 360-943-2773 ext. 21 www.unitedway-thurston.org/RSVP.php

Thurston County:

Senior Companion Program

PO Box 667, 508 Eighth Street, Hoquiam, WA 98550 1-888-532-9542

United Way Retired & Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)

360-943-2773 ext. 21 www.unitedway-thurston.org/RSVP.php

Lewis, Mason, and Thurston Counties:

The Volunteer Center 360-741-2622 www.volunteer.ws

Catholic Community Services Volunteer Chore 360-586-2915 or toll-free 1-800-783-8193

RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITIES

When people are no longer able to care for themselves in their own homes, a move, either temporary or permanent, may be necessary. There are many long-term care options available depending upon what type of care is needed. Residential care includes retirement residences, adult family homes, assisted living/boarding home facilities, and skilled nursing facilities.

The Long Term Care Ombudsman program (page 42) has trained volunteers who listen to questions and concerns and act as advocates, protecting the rights of residents in long-term care settings.

ADULT FAMILY HOMES

Adult family homes are licensed family homes with up to 6 residents. Basic services provided are room, board, laundry, necessary supervision, and various personal care and social services. Nursing care, allowed by licensure, may be provided in homes operated by an LPN or RN. Some homes accept only private pay residents, however, a number of licensed facilities contract with the state for care of state-funded residents.

Adult family homes are too numerous to list in this directory. For a listing of Adult Family Homes, call:

DSHS Aging & Disability Services Administration 360-725-2300 or toll-free 1-800-422-3263

ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES & BOARDING HOMES

Assisted Living facilities vary considerably in services offered. Each facility is different and may provide services such as bathing, dressing and assistance with medications in addition to room, board, housekeeping, laundry and recreational activities. Each resident may have a private or semi-private apartment-like unit with a private or shared bathroom. Many also provide social services, transportation and medical personnel on staff.

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RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITIES— Adult Family Homes, Assisted Living Facilities & Boarding Homes

ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES & BOARDING HOMES

These facilities house 6 or more residents and are designed for persons who need assistance and/or supervision with daily activities. They offer board, room, medication management, arranging for medical services if necessary, and coordinating transportation to community services. There may be no medical personnel on staff.

Lewis County:

Chehalis West

478 NW Quincy Place, Chehalis, WA 98532 360-748-9911

Cooks Hill Manor

2010 Cooks Hill Road, Centralia, WA 98531 360-330-2010

Guest Only Care Center

1215 S Tower Avenue, Centralia, WA 98531 360-330-2496

Heritage House

860 W Main Avenue, Morton, WA 98356 360-496-6699

Sharon Care Center Assisted Living

1509 Harrison Avenue, Centralia, WA 98531 360-736-0112

Stillwaters Colonial Residence

2700 Colonial Drive, Centralia, WA 98531 360-736-1551

ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES & BOARDING HOMES

Mason County:

Haven in Allyn

180 E Wheelwright Street / PO Box 928, Allyn, WA 98524 360-277-0636

haveninallyn@yahoo.com

Alpine Way Retirement Apartments

900 W Alpine Way, Shelton, WA 98584 360-426-2600 www.encorecommunities.com

Maple Glen Assisted Living Community 1700 N 13th Loop Road, Shelton, WA 98584 360-427-0300 www.spring-hill.net

Thurston County:

Bonaventure of Lacey Senior Living Community

4528 Intelco Loop SE, Lacey, WA 98503 360-455 8500

East Haven Villa

311 Cullen Road, Yelm, WA 98597 360-458-2800

The Lodge at Roo-Lan

1530 Carpenter Road SE, Lacey, WA 98503 360-455-9256

Merrill Gardens at Olympia Retirement Center

616 Lilly Road NE, Olympia, WA 98506 360-456-0601

Olympics West Retirement Inn

929 Trosper Road SW, Tumwater, WA 98512 360-943-9900

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ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES & BOARDING HOMES

Thurston County, cont'd:

Panorama Assisted Living

1751 Circle Lane SE, Lacey, WA 98503 360-438-7539

Rosemont Ret. and Asst. Living Community

215 Killion Road NW, Yelm, WA 98597 360-458-1800

Sequoia Assisted Living Community

825 Lilly Road NE, Olympia, WA 98506 360-491-0491

West Woods Assisted Living

828 McPhee Road SW, Olympia, WA 98502 360-956-3396

Woodland Ret. and Asst. Living Community

4532 Intelco Loop SE, Lacey, WA 98503 360-528-3253

DEMENTIA SPECIAL CARE CENTERS

Helpful numbers:

 Alzheimer's Association:
 1-800-848-7097

 Alzheimer's Society:
 1-800-493-3959

 Alzheimer's Hotline:
 1-800-848-7097

In addition to the services provided in "typical" Assisted Living facilities, these centers focus on dementia care.

Lewis County:

Guest Only Care Center

1215 S. Tower Avenue, Centralia, WA 98531 360-330-2496

DEMENTIA SPECIAL CARE CENTERS

Lewis County, cont'd:

Sharon Care Center

1509 Harrison Avenue, Centralia, WA 98531 360-736-0112

Mason County:

Alpine Way Retirement Apartments

900 West Alpine Way, Shelton, WA 98584 360-426-2600

www.encorecommunities.com

Fir Lane Health & Rehabilitation Center

2430 North 13th, Shelton, WA 98584 360-426-1651

Thurston County:

Clare Bridge of Olympia

420 Yauger Way SW, Olympia, WA 98502 360-236-1400

Bonaventure of Lacey Senior Living Community

4528 Intelco Loop SE, Lacey, WA 98503 360-455-8500

East Haven Villa

311 Cullen Road, Yelm, WA 98597 360-458-2800

Garden Courte Memory Care Community

626 Lilly Road NE, Olympia, WA 98506 360-491-4435

Hampton Alzheimer Special Care Center

1400 Trosper Road SW, Tumwater, WA 98512 360-786-6062

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DEMENTIA SPECIAL CARE CENTERS

Thurston County, cont'd:

The Lodge at Roo-Lan

1530 Carpenter Road SE, Lacey, WA 98503 360-455-9256

Panorama Convalescent & Rehabilitation

Gentle Care Wing 1704 Sleater-Kinney Road, Lacey, WA 98503 360-456-0111 ext. 4200

Providence Mother Joseph Care Center 3333 Ensign Road NE, Olympia, WA 98506 360-493-4900

RETIREMENT RESIDENCES

Retirement residences are non-licensed facilities that vary considerably in services offered. Each facility is different and may provide services such as room, board, housekeeping, laundry, transportation, and recreational activities. Each resident usually has a private apartment-like unit with a private bathroom.

Lewis County:

Stillwaters Estates

2800 Cooks Hill Road, Centralia, WA 98531 360-736-4744

Woodland Estates

2100 SW Woodland Circle, Chehalis, WA 98532 360-748-0095

Mason County:

Alpine Way Retirement Apartments

900 W Alpine Way, Shelton, WA 98584 360-426-2600

www.encorecommunities.com

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RETIREMENT RESIDENCES

Thurston County:

Bonaventure of Lacey Senior Living Community 4528 Intelco Loop SE, Lacey, WA 98503 360-455-8500

Capital Place Retirement Residence

700 Black Lake Boulevard SW, Olympia, WA 98502 360-357-9922

The Colonial Inn

3730 14th Avenue SE, Olympia, WA 98501 360-459-9110

The Firs Retirement Living Community

426 Lilly Road NE, Olympia, WA 98506 360-456-3477

Jubilee at Hawks Prairie

4236 Bainbridge Courte NE, Lacey, WA 98516 360-491-5900

Olympics West Retirement Inn

929 Trosper Road SW, Tumwater, WA 98512 360-943-9900 or 360-352-0311

Panorama City Retirement Living

1751 Circle Lane SE, Lacey, WA 98503 360-456-0111

Rosemont Retirement & Assisted Living Comm.

215 Killion Road NW, Yelm, WA 98597 360-458-1800

Woodland Retirement & Assisted Living Comm.

4532 Intelco Loop SE, Lacey, WA 98503 360-528-3253

SKILLED NURSING & REHAB FACILITIES

In the State of Washington skilled nursing facilities are licensed, certified, and surveyed by DSHS. These facilities provide 24 hour nursing care, personal care, therapy, supervised nutrition, organized activities, social and laundry services, as well as room and board in an environment regulated by building and life safety codes. In addition to caring for private pay patients, nursing centers may be certified to participate in the Medicare and Medicaid programs, or to contract with the Veterans' Administration for care to eligible veterans. Several nursing centers provide specialized care for mentally and/or developmentally disabled individuals. DSHS will provide a list of current facilities and the latest survey. They can be reached by calling:

DSHS Residential Care Services

1-800-422-3263 toll-free

Lewis County:

Liberty Country Place

917 S Scheuber Road, Centralia, WA 98531 360-736-9384

Riverside Nursing & Rehabilitation Center

1305 Alexander, Centralia, WA 98531 360-736-2823

Providence Transitional Care Unit

914 S Scheuber Road, Centralia, WA 98531 360-330-8703

Sharon Care Center

1509 Harrison Avenue, Centralia, WA 98531 360-736-0112

SKILLED NURSING & REHAB FACILITIES

Mason County:

Fir Lane Health and Rehabilitation Center 2430 North 13th Street, Shelton, WA 98584 360-426-1651

Shelton Health & Rehabilitation Center 153 Johns Court, Shelton, WA 98584 360-427-2575

Thurston County:

Evergreen Nursing and Rehab Center 430 Lilly Rd NE, Olympia, WA 98506 360-491-9700

Olympia Manor 1811 22nd Avenue SE, Olympia, WA 98501 360-943-0910

Panorama Convalescent & Rehab Center 1704 Sleater-Kinney Road SE, Lacey, WA 98503 360-456-0111 ext. 4200

Providence Mother Joseph Care Center 3333 Ensign Road NE, Olympia, WA 98506 360-493-4900

Puget Sound Healthcare Center 4001 Capital Mall Drive SW, Olympia, WA 98502 360-754-9792

Roo-Lan Health Care Center 1505 Carpenter Road SE, Lacey, WA 98503 360-491-1765

MEDICAID & C.O.P.E.S

NOTICE: The information given here is based on the current rules of the Department of Social and Health Services at the time of printing. Specific questions and financial eligibility requirements should be addressed by your local Home and Community Services Office of DSHS.

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS ON MEDICAID

Q: I may need help to pay for nursing home care. What are the Washington Medicaid program's financial eligibility requirements for such help?

A: Both your income (such as Social Security, VA benefits and wages) and your resources (such as real estate, bank accounts and stocks) must be within limits set by the State and Federal government.

Q.I have enough income to pay the Medicaid nursing home rate and also to pay my regular medical expenses. But, I don't have enough to pay the amount charged by the nursing home for "private pay" residents. Can I get help from Medicaid?

A: You may be eligible for Medicaid, and you should apply. If you qualify, the nursing home will charge you the lower Medicaid rate instead of the privatepay rate.

Q. I am married and my spouse is about to enter a nursing home. If my spouse applied for Medicaid, will I be able to keep enough of our income to meet my living expenses?

A: When one spouse goes into a nursing home, Medicaid may allow the spouse who remains at home to keep a certain income. The amount depends on how much gross income you have and how much you must pay for the following shelter expenses: rent or mortgage, real estate taxes, and homeowners or renters insurance.

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS ON MEDICAID

Q: What about our resources when my spouse enters a nursing home?

A: All resources belonging to both spouses will be considered together. It does not matter which spouse owns what resources or whether a resource is community or separate property. (A transfer of resources to the spouse at home may be required after Medicaid coverage is approved.) In addition, the spouse at home can keep all of the resources that are "exempt" under the rules described below, and there is no limit on the value of a home, a car, household goods, or personal effects that the spouse at home can keep.

Q: What are exempt resources?

A: Some resources are considered exempt and, there fore, are not counted toward the resource limits. Exempt resources can include your home, household goods and personal effects, real estate sales contracts, a car, life insurance with a face value not more than \$1,500, most burial plots and some pre-paid burial plans, and certain other property and items used for self-support. Some of these are described in more detail below.

Also, note that some non-exempt resources that cannot be quickly sold are disregarded until they are sold.

Q: When is a home exempt?

A: As long as a Medicaid recipient, a spouse, or in some cases, a dependent or disable relative, continues living in the home, the home is an exempt resource, unless the value of the home exceeds \$500,000. If you go into a nursing home and have no spouse or other dependent or disabled relative living in your home, the home will still be exempt if you state that you intend to return to it. However, in some situations, the state retains the right to place a lien on the home. You may also be

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS ON MEDICAID

entitled to have a certain amount of your monthly income set aside for up to six months to maintain your home while receiving Medicaid benefits for your nursing home care.

Q: When is a sales contract exempt?

A: The seller's interest in any sales contract entered into before December 1, 1993 is an exempt resource unless it is transferred. A sales contract entered into after November 30, 1993 is exempt only if it was received for the sale of one's home and includes fair market terms.

Q: When is a car exempt?

A: If your spouse is in a nursing home, one car is exempt no matter how much it is worth.

Q: When is life insurance exempt?

A: Term Life Insurance is totally exempt. Whole life insurance is exempt if the total face value (the amount pay able at death) of the policy or policies is not more than \$1,500 of life insurance. If the face value of an individual's life insurance is more than \$1,500, the entire cash surrender value (the amount the life insurance company will pay if the policy is cancelled) is counted as a non-exempt resource. (This means it will count as part of the \$2,000 allowed for resources for the spouse applying for Medicaid.)

Q: When are burial funds and spaces exempt?

A: A burial fund of \$1,500 for an individual (and an additional \$1,500 for a spouse) is exempt if it is set aside in a clearly designated account to cover burial expenses. If an individual has life insurance, the cash value

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS ON MEDICAID

of the life insurance may count as part of the individual's burial fund.

An irrevocable trust for burial expenses or a pre-paid burial plan may be claimed as exempt as long as it does not exceed reasonably anticipated burial expenses. However, the value of such a trust or plan will count against the exemption for burial funds or life insurance.

Burial expenses for Medicaid recipient and for immediate family members are exempt no matter how much they are worth.

Q: When are household goods and other personal effects exempt?

A: Household furniture, other household goods, as well as clothing, jewelry, and other personal care items are exempt no matter how much they are worth.

Q: Can I give away any property without affecting my Medicaid eligibility?

A: Rules for Transfers to a Spouse

There is no Medicaid penalty if you transfer property to your spouse before you apply for Medicaid Nursing Home coverage. However, the resources of both husband & wife will be considered together in determining Medicaid eligibility.

Rules for Transfers to Non-Spouses

There is no penalty if you sell your property for a fair price. If you can prove to DSHS that a transfer was not made for the purpose of qualifying for Medicaid, no period of ineligibility will be imposed. Also, DSHS may waive a period of ineligibility if it finds that denial of benefits will cause undue hardship.

Exempt resources, other than the home or a sales contract, may be given to anyone without the penalty.

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS ON MEDICAID

A home may be transferred without penalty **ONLY** to:

- A spouse;
- •A child who either has lived in the home and cared for the parent for the two years before the date of the parent's institutionalization, or is under 21, or blind, or permanently disabled;
- •A brother or sister who has an equity interest in the home and has lived there at least one year immediately before the date of their sibling's institutionalization.

The person making the transfer does not need to live in the home at the time of the transfer to one of the above people.

Q: Will Medicaid have a lien against my estate?

A: If, at the time of death, a Medicaid recipient does not have a spouse or surviving child who is under 21 or blind or disabled, Medicaid will recover from the recipient's estate hospital and prescription drug services related to the se long-term care services after the recipient turned 55.

If a Medicaid recipient dies with a surviving spouse or a surviving child who is under 21 or blind or disabled, Medicaid cannot recover from the recipient's estate until the death of the surviving spouse or child—but has no claim against the estate of the surviving spouse or child.

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS ON COMMUNITY OPTIONS PROGRAM ENTRY SYSTEM (C.O.P.E.S.)

Q: What is COPES?

A: COPES is the Medicaid program which is designed to allow people to remain in their home and receive in-home and community-based services. Clients can receive certain Medicaid covered medical services in their home, in an assisted living/boarding home facility, or in an adult family home.

Q: Who is eligible for COPES?

A: Anyone who has personal care needs, is over 18 years old and meets the functional and financial eligibility criteria as determined by DSHS.

Individuals may receive COPES services in their own home, a licensed assisted living/boarding home facility or a licensed adult family home.

Q: What does the COPES Program provide?

A: Persons eligible for COPES have the following services available to them: congregate care, assisted living care, adult family home care, personal care by an attendant, home health, adult day care services, transportation, environmental modifications, emergency response systems, and home delivered meals.

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS ON COMMUNITY OPTIONS PROGRAM ENTRY SYSTEM (C.O.P.E.S.)

Contact the following agencies for more information on COPES services:

Lewis County:

DSHS Home and Community Services 360-748-2287 or toll-free 1-800-487-0360

Lewis-Mason-Thurston Area Agency on Aging Information & Assistance - Chehalis office 360-748-2288 ext. 101 or toll-free 1-888-702-4464

Mason County:

DSHS Home and Community Services 360-664-9050 or toll-free 1-800-462-4957

Lewis-Mason-Thurston Area Agency on Aging Information & Assistance - Shelton office 360-427-2225 ext. 101 or toll-free 1-877-227-4696

Thurston County:

DSHS Home and Community Services 360-664-9050 or toll-free 1-800-462-4957

Lewis-Mason-Thurston Area Agency on Aging Information & Assistance - Olympia office 360-664-3162 ext. 133 or toll-free 1-888-545-0910

FINANCING LONG-TERM CARE

Costs for health care services can be high, and long-term care is no exception. There are several ways a person can pay for this care. Most often payment is through a combination of sources. These may include the individual's own financial resources, retirement, pensions or veteran's benefits, private insurance, Medicaid, Medicare, or other government programs. Most of the community services that allow a person to remain at home are available on an income based sliding fee schedule. The actual cost will depend on the individual's specific needs and the number of services required to meet those needs. If a person's needs change, there may be a corresponding need for change in residence and services.

Qualifications, regulations and coverage for the various payment sources are extremely complex and should be examined on an individual basis. Contrary to popular belief, Medicare and most private insurance companies' policies do not pay for extended nursing home care, but can help defray the cost of other medical needs.

Further information can be obtained from the sources listed at the end of this chapter. Also, you can receive information and explanations of the various types of coverage by contacting your SHI-BA representative.

A Word About SHIBA Helpline

SHIBA stands for Statewide Health Insurance Benefits Advisors, a group of volunteers who have been helping Washington's senior citizens since 1980. SHIBA is a program sponsored by the state Office of the Insurance Commissioner to teach concerned citizens about Medicare, Medicare supplement insurance, long-term care insurance, consumer protection and general health insurance issues. These volunteers reach out to Washington citizens through free consultations.

For a consultation on insurance coverage contact:

Statewide Health Insurance Benefits Advisors Helpline (SHIBA)

1-800-397-4422 toll-free

FINANCING LONG-TERM CARE

LEGALITIES

It is very important for you to have a say in how decisions will be made for you if you cannot make the decisions yourself. One way to protect this basic right is to make sure you have legal documents specifying what you want to happen if you lose the ability to make your own decisions. Without these documents, someone may have to file for a guardianship if you can no longer handle your own affairs. A guardianship can be expensive and can take a long time. It is much less flexible than documents you can create for yourself.

There are alternatives to guardianship, which are discussed below. The best way to make sure you get what you want, though, is to create documents while you can that make your wishes clear. If you are incapacitated, you may not be able to express what you want.

The following is a brief outline of some of the tools available to preserve and promote your ability to make your wishes known and to keep decisions about your affairs as informal and flexible as possible. This informational outline is not a substitute for legal advice. For specific questions about your situation, you should consult an attorney. Seniors 60 and older and low income people seeking legal advice can call the Northwest Justice Project's toll-free statewide advice and referral CLEAR lines. CLEAR is Washington's centralized intake, advice and referral service for low-income people seeking free legal assistance with civil legal problems. You can begin the screening process by calling our toll-free phone number or through CLEAR*Online. Both lines operate weekday mornings from 9:15 am to 12:20 pm.

CLEAR - (under 60) 1-888-201-1014 **CLEAR*Sr.** - (60+) 1-888-387-7111

www.nwjustice.org

You can also get free legal information, brochures, and do-it-yourself forms at:

www.washingtonlawhelp.org.

LEGALITIES- Financial Decisions

PROTECTING YOUR RIGHTS

The following options are available as long as you understand the purpose and effect of what you are signing:

FINANICIAL DECISIONS

Powers of Attorney and Durable Powers of Attorney

For more information, and for do-it-yourself forms and instructions, use "Questions and Answers on Powers of Attorney" at www.washingtonlawhelp.org. If you do not have access to the Internet at home, all Timberland Regional libraries have free internet.

- A Power of Attorney is a document in which a competent adult (known as the "principal") legally authorizes another person (know as the "agent" or "attorney-in-fact") to act on the principal's behalf. A power of attorney does not give the agent power to act in ways the principal does not want. THE PRINCIPAL ALWAYS HAS THE LAST WORD. The document defines the "powers" that the agent is authorized to perform. These can include management of all or part of the principal's finances, personal affairs, and/or health care decisions. A power of attorney can have specific instructions, guidelines, or limitations. It can designate an alternate agent in case the primary agent becomes unable or unwilling to serve.
- A Durable Power of Attorney is a power of attorney which specifically provides that the agent's powers will endure even if the principal becomes incapacitated. A power of attorney without a "durable provision" will become ineffective if the principal becomes incapacitated.
 - Durable powers of attorney can become effective immediately upon signing or upon disability. It is important to understand that the principal does not lose the ability to sign and manage his or her own affairs. Rather, both the principal and the agent have these powers. If the durable power of attorney becomes effective only upon the principal's disability, the agent cannot act until the principal becomes (cont'd)

LEGALITIES- Financial Decisions

PROTECTING YOUR RIGHTS

"disabled" as defined by the power of attorney. There can be problems if the power of attorney does not define "disability". In Washington, you are presumed to be capable to make decisions unless and until a court of law decides otherwise. So, if your power of attorney says it is only effective when you are disabled or incapacitated, but does not explain what you mean by that (for example, "by statement signed from my treating doctor"), the agent may have to go to court to use the power of attorney.

A **Power of Attorney** or **Durable Power of Attorney** must be signed. You can take special steps if a person is mentally competent but can't sign their name. If an impairment has affected the quality of penmanship, but the person can still sign with a mark that they consider to be their signature, no notary is required. The mark considered to be one's signature is legally sufficient, no matter how inelegant its appearance. It may be a good idea, however, to have a mark notarized or witnessed if it is difficult to read in case an argument arises about whether or not the person really signed. If the person cannot make a mark at all, a notary can sign on their behalf. (See <u>RCW 42.44.080(2)</u> for how this must be done.) A power of attorney is easier to enforce if the principal's signature is notarized, although this is not a legal requirement unless it will be used for real estate transactions (e.g., to buy, sell, or borrow money on land or a home).

It is important to talk to the agent you want to appoint first in order to make sure the person is willing to serve as your agent and understands what your wishes are. It is also important to give the agent a copy of the power of attorney once it is signed. A power of attorney does no good if you put it away where the agent cannot easily find or access it. A power of attorney does not need to be filed with the county unless or until it will be used for real estate transactions. If it is filed with the county, any revocation (canceling the power of attorney) must also be filed.

Powers of attorney and durable powers of attorney can be terminated in two ways: by revocation or upon the death of (cont'd)

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the principal. A principal who revokes a power of attorney should notify every person and agency that received a copy that the power of attorney is terminated. A power of attorney is no longer in effect once the principal dies. It is not a substitute for a will. Powers of attorney are options for individuals who know someone trusted, dependable and reliable. An agent should have the skills to follow through on what is expected and the ability to ask for help when needed. Washington law allows anyone with an interest to file a court action to enforce a power or attorney or look into concerns about whether an agent is doing the job well. For more information, see RCW 11.94. As a general rule, however, there is no formal oversight of an agent. If you suspect abuse or exploitation by an agent, you should call the Adult Protective Services Division of the Department of Social and Health Services (APS) at 1-877-734-6277. Note: Powers of Attorney are not recognized by the Social Security Administration. Social Security has another process by which to appoint a representative, which is addressed later in this section.

Trusts

A **Trust** is a legal arrangement where an item of property or money is held by a "trustee" for the benefit of another "beneficiary". The trustee distributes the trust property or money to the beneficiary in accordance with the trust's rules and guidelines. A trustee could be one or more individuals or a company such as a bank. Like powers of attorney, trusts can be designed to become effective immediately or upon the occurrence of an event, such as incapacity. Trusts can be effective and flexible estate planning tools. But because they can be costly to create and manage, trusts are generally more useful when there are a substantial amount of assets. Trusts can drastically affect Medicaid eligibility or have tax consequences. If you are considering a trust, you should consult an attorney with expertise in the areas of trust and estate planning, tax and Medicaid law.

LEGALITIES– Healthcare Decisions

PROTECTING YOUR RIGHTS

The following options are available as long as you understand the purpose and effect of what you are signing:

HEALTHCARE DECISIONS

Health Care Directive to Physician (Living Wills)

Washington State law allows you to create and use a document known as a **Health Care Directive**, commonly referred to as a **Living Will**. A Health Care Directive has an extremely narrow application. It gives directions to your physician and family regarding care and treatment that relate to the use of life sustaining procedures if you are terminally ill or in a permanently unconscious state. The directive can include specific directions. The directive is not a substitute for a durable power of attorney, described above. You can get more information and do-it-yourself forms and instructions through "Questions and Answers about Living Wills" at www.washingtonlawhelp.org. If you do not have access to the internet at home, all Timberland libraries have free internet.

Only an adult acting completely voluntarily and with understanding can execute a Health Care Directive. Women of child-bearing age must include special language. You must sign and date your Directive in front of two impartial witnesses who are not related and do not provide health care to you. They must sign the document, too. You should give a copy to your physician, health care provider and hospital. In addition, it is wise to discuss your wishes with your family and let them know where you keep your Directive.

Durable Health Care Powers of Attorney

A health care power of attorney is a power of attorney that specifically addresses health care concerns. You can have a power of attorney for both financial and health matters, or you can have separate powers of attorney. If you have more than one agent, the document(s) must address who has priority in case of a disagreement. Read the prior section on powers of attorney. The only difference here is that the agent would be limited to (cont'd)

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to decisions impacting your health care. You should clarify in a health care power of attorney whether the powers include financial matters related to health care, such as getting or changing life insurance, medical or paying medical You should choose an agent who knows you well enough to make the kinds of health care decisions you would make for yourself. The document can be tailor-made to make the agent's decision-making power as limited or as general as the principal wants. Similar to the financial power of attorney, the law requires that a power of attorney must specifically state that the agent's powers are "durable" if the power of attorney is to remain in effect after the principal becomes incapacitated.

GUARDIANSHIP

A person may need a guardianship when the alternatives to guardianship are not available or will not address the individual's needs. Guardianship should be a last option because it seriously compromises personal autonomy and can be costly and time consuming.

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A guardianship is a legal action that authorizes a surrogate decision maker for an individual that the court finds to be incapable of making decisions and/or managing personal and/or financial affairs. The legislative intent behind the guardianship law was that individuals' "liberty and autonomy should be restricted through the guardianship process only to the minimum extent necessary to adequately provide for their own health or safety, or to adequately manage their financial affairs." The legal process involved is designed to balance the individual's civil liberties (i. e., the right to autonomy and self-determination) against the need to protect the individual. The court document governing a guardianship is usually called an "Order of Appointment". It will state what decisions the guardian is authorized to make. (cont'd)

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Unlike a power of attorney, a guardianship gives the guardian **priority** over the incapacitated person for decisions covered by the Order of Appointment.

A determination of incapacity is a legal and not a medical decision. It is based upon proof that the person does not have the capacity to manage their financial affairs and/or matters relating to their health, safety and well being. In the language of the law, the person must have demonstrated that he cannot or is not managing his "estate" (financial) or "person" (health/safety). Age, eccentricity, poverty, or medical diagnosis alone is not enough to justify a finding of incapacity.

The court can appoint a guardian for the person, the person's financial estate, or both. A guardian for the person can be appointed when the individual is at significant risk of personal harm based on demonstrated inability to adequately provide for food, health, housing, or physical safety. A guardian for the estate can be appointed when the court determines that the individual is at significant risk of financial harm based upon a demonstrated inability to adequately manage his/her own property or financial affairs.

A guardianship can be full or limited. A full guardianship authorizes a guardian to make all the decisions allowed by law for an incapacitated person. A limited guardianship specifies limited areas where the guardian shall make decisions for the incapacitated person. The person may make all other decisions for him/herself. Ideally, the guardianship should be tailor-made to address only the individual's specific needs and deficits; an individual should retain as much control over his/her own life as possible.

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REPRESENTATIVE PAYEE SYSTEM

The representative payee system may offer a low cost solution to financial management when an individual gets federal benefits. A representative payee (RP) is a person or organization authorized to receive and manage a person's government benefits. The RP must act in the recipient's best interests. The government agency administering the benefits can appoint an RP for a person who is mentally or physically incapacitated. The agency does not require a finding of incapacity by a court of law. The recipient can terminate the RP relationship by proving through medical evidence that he is capable of managing his funds.

Several federal agencies provide for RP appointment. The programs include Social Security (retirement and disability), Supplemental Security Income (SSI) veterans' benefits, and civil service and railroad retirement pensions. DSHS has a similar system; ask the caseworker.

Drawbacks to the RP system are the lack of judicial oversight and procedural safeguards over the RP's actions. There is potential for undetected exploitation. The individual has no control over the benefit while there is no guarantee that the RP will act in the individual's best interest or make appropriate financial judgments. The RP is required to make periodic reports to the agency issuing the benefit describing how the money was spent. These reports may be audited; however, misuse of funds may go unnoticed or unreported. Concerned parties should report suspected or discovered financial abuse or neglect to the agency issuing the benefit and to Adult Protective Services Division of the Department of Social and Health Services for investigation. Intentional bad faith or deprivation of basics necessities may subject the RP to criminal prosecution.

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Money Management Programs

Money management programs cover the broad range of services from direct bank account deposits and automatic withdrawals for paying certain bills, to personal money management services. Individuals can especially benefit from these services if they have no one willing, nearby, or responsible enough to act as an agent. Money management programs can also work for individuals who need some help with financial management, but without sufficient assets to make a trust worthwhile, or who do not want the restrictions imposed by a trust.

Washington's Health Care Consent Statute

The health care consent statute at RCW 7.70.065 allows certain relatives to make most health care decisions for an individual who dos not have a Power of Attorney covering health care decisions, a Directive to Physician (Living Will), or a guardian. In order for the statute to apply, the individual must be "not competent" to make informed health care decisions as defined by guardianship statutes.

Relatives have this authority in this order of priority: spouse, adult children, parents, and adult siblings. If there is more than one person in a category (e.g., two children), they must all agree. The relative(s) have a legal duty to make decisions consistent with what the individual would have done under the circumstances. If they don't know what the individual would want, they must act in the individual's best interests.

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