

COMPARISON OF 3 LEVELS OF CARE

ASSISTED LIVING	RESIDENTIAL CARE Rest Home (BROOKHOUSE)	SKILLED NURSING Nursing Home
Regulated by MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs	Licensed & Regulated by MA Department of Public Health	Licensed & Regulated by MA Department of Public Health
Provide up to 3 meals daily & social activities	Provide 3 meals daily, snacks, social activities & events	Provide 3 meals daily, snacks, activities
Housekeeping & laundry services(may require an extra fee)	Housekeeping & laundry included	Housekeeping & laundry included
Offer 24 hour security	24 hour supervision & security	24 hour skilled nursing, IV drugs, oxygen, injections, mechanical lift transfers
Onsite staff responds to emergencies call 911	Onsite staff respond to emergencies; gives first aid & calls 911	Onsite staff responds to emergencies
May provide oversight of a resident's self-administration of medication (extra fee)	Administers medications; maintains medical record, takes MD orders; coordinates medical care needs	Administers medications; maintains medical record, takes MD orders; coordinates medical care needs.
Supervision of bathing/dressing for a set number of hours. Additional hours by fee.	Provides assistance with bathing dressing	Assistance with all personal care needs; total care
Minor nursing services	Licensed nurse available at times	RN & LPN coverage 24/7; medical director available for consultation
Resident provides furniture	Encourage personal belongings; furniture provided	Furniture provided; may have special units for rehab, dementia etc.
Primarily private pay; limited Medicaid slots	Mostly subsidized by Medicaid, SSI & private pay	Medicare, Medicaid, long term care insurance & private pay