



Companions / Caregivers / Comfort Care

Client's Health Status:

- Client is continent.
- Client is ambulatory.
- Client needs very little assistance taking care of self.
- Client can be taken out in public, eat on his or her own, and is able to make most of his or her own decisions.

Care Provided:

- This category of care is primarily for visiting the client and making sure the client is safe and does not wander.
- With this care, primary caregivers (family) receive some respite. Caregiver can provide meal preparation and assist, as needed, in helping client. Can also perform light housekeeping duties; i.e., dishes and laundry, if needed. Can also engage client in arts, crafts, walks or other safe activities. Can also take on outings in and around home or by special permission in the caregiver's vehicle.
- Can provide comfort care in a private duty situation if client is in the hospital or facility. Client is under the care of a primary health provider and staff. Does not perform Activities of Daily Living (ADL's) or provide services done by hospital staff. Caregiver is there to reassure and make the client comfortable and keep the client calm.

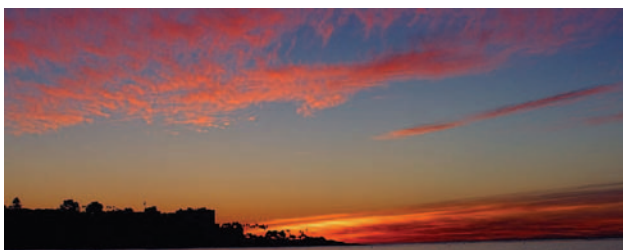
Skilled Caregiving

Client's Health Status:

- Client is usually still ambulatory or using the aid of a cane, wheelchair or walker.
- Client is able to eat without cues and swallow on his or her own.
- Client is able to communicate. Client may also be in the early stages of dementia.
- Client needs to be reminded to take medications.

Care Provided:

- Staff is professionally trained, licensed by the State, has CPR/first aid training, defibrillator certification or has the equivalent years of experience.
- Performs transfers of client, if needed, with client assistant. Tends to client incontinence, if needed.
- Caregiver can take out client for activities. May also assist client with Range of Motion (ROM) exercises. Diabetes testing for Stage I and II is also performed.





Skilled Nursing

Client's Health Status:

- Client may or may not be bed bound.
- Client cannot transfer by self, needs assistance and full transfers. May be recovering from surgery or may be recovering from a stroke, heart attack or brain trauma.
- Client is incontinent and requires full care to do ADL's and personal care.
- Client needs to be observed or fed and cued to swallow. This level of care also includes clients requiring full-body transfers or hoist lifts and transfer poles. Massages are given along with ROM exercises. Rehab therapies are also performed.
- Clients in latter stages of dementia. Clients at this level of care usually require more than eight-hour shift care. WELLCARE is able to provide as requested by the family.

Care Provided:

- Medications are administered.
- Personnel are trained in specialized care for clients in this stage.
- It is very important that the primary caregivers have respite care for themselves and are confident that staff is competent.

