

## **Life Enrichment Policy**

Original Effective Date: August 1, 2021

## **Purpose & Context**

Life Enrichment systems and programs are designed to serve the total person. Resident engagement is grounded in honoring the person and their individual purpose through all the wellness dimensions: spiritual, social, physical, intellectual, environmental, emotional and vocational.

## Procedure

- 1. Get to know resident history, preferences, dreams and hopes
  - a. Resident Assessment (My Life Today)
  - b. Welcome Days
  - c. Care conferences
  - d. Everyday interactions
- 2. Provide a variety of engaging resident programs
  - a. Planning:
    - i. Incorporate resident preferences (My Life Today)
    - ii. Group size variety based on resident needs (Small, Medium, Large, Virtual)
    - iii. Resource for independent resident interests and hobbies
    - iv. Interdisciplinary Approach (spiritual care, fitness, culinary, volunteers)
    - v. Development of calendar (daily, weekly and/or monthly)
    - vi. Program needs: rooms/set up/supplies/dietary & volunteer requests
  - b. Implementing:
    - i. Sharing calendars (website/community posting/resident copies)
    - ii. Encouraging resident participation
      - 1. Personal invites
      - 2. Escorts
    - iii. Overseeing of program
  - c. Evaluating:
    - i. Observation of participants during programs
    - ii. Asking participants for feedback
    - iii. ServiceTrac
    - iv. Resident/Family Council
  - d. Participation Tracking
    - i. Required (LTC)
    - ii. Site level determination based on needs of residents/families (Commons/Arbor)
    - iii. Upon request of the family (Commons/Arbor)
- 3. Community integration
  - a. Inside specified dementia community
    - i. Volunteers/Community Groups/Pet Visits
    - ii. Entertainment Guest Speakers
  - b. Outside specified dementia community
    - i. Outings
    - ii. All Campus Programs
- 4. Use of outdoor spaces during structured programs

## References

The Life Enrichment Policy is a required document per <u>144G.82</u> of all Minnesota assisted living communities to describe life enrichment programs and how activities are implemented at the assisted living community.