

**Interested in
Becoming a DomCare
Consumer?**

Consumer eligibility for participation in COSA's DomCare Program is determined by an assessment completed by COSA's Long Term Care Assessment Unit. You can begin this process by calling COSA's main phone number at (610) 490-1300 and you will be connected with Information & Assistance to schedule an In-Home visit with you.

**Interested in
Being a DomCare
Provider?**

Provider applicants must complete a certification process to assure that the homes meet fire, health & safety regulations. Providers must have satisfactory personal, medical & financial references, as well as a criminal history clearance. If you are interested in the rewarding experience that COSA's DomCare Program offers, please contact the DomCare Coordinator at (610) 490-1300.



Mission Statement

***The Mission of COSA
is to plan, develop,
coordinate and
administer a
comprehensive service
system for older
adults***



***COSA
County Offices
of Services
for the Aging***

***Domiciliary Care
Program***



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Domiciliary Care

Domiciliary (Dom) Care is a supervised living arrangement in a home-like environment for adults who are unable to live alone because of age related impairments or physical, mental, or visual disabilities but not to the extent of requiring nursing home care. Dom Care is similar to a foster care program.

Domiciliary Care Consumer

Consumer eligibility for participation in the program includes:

- *18 Years or older and wanting to reside in Delaware County*
- *Cannot live independently because of physical or mental disability or other limitations*
- *Need assistance with cooking, cleaning, shopping, laundry, transportation, reminders for taking medicines & coordinating medical appointments*
- *Individuals must be able to maintain their own personal care & be able to make decisions that are safe & sensible in their daily living*

Participation may be short-term/transitional or can become as permanent as needed. A structured, home atmosphere is the desired outcome for all participants in COSA's Domiciliary Care Program.

DomCare Consumer statement.....

“you get much more than room & board. In DomCare you become part of a stable, caring ‘family’ and can enjoy a sense of belonging & independence that a ‘real’ home can provide”

.....additional eligibility

After meeting the basic criteria for determining eligibility in DomCare, individuals are assessed by a COSA Assessment staff person. Final acceptance into the DomCare Program is determined by the County Assistance Office.

Consumers that receive Social Security or Social Security Disability, but do not earn the monthly stipend required for DomCare participation, must be approved for an additional supplement from Social Security that allows them to pay the Provider the monthly stipend and also to enjoy a monthly personal needs allowance. (determined annually by the Pennsylvania Department of Aging- Social Security provides supplement as needed)



For additional information to learn more about how you can become a Provider or a Consumer:

Contact COSA Domiciliary Care Coordinator at (610) 490-1300.



Domiciliary Care Provider

Interested home providers must complete a certification process to assure that their homes meet fire, health & safety guidelines. Providers must also:

- *Have criminal history clearances*
- *Have satisfactory financial, medical & personal references*
- *Attend on-going training sessions (State regulations require 4 training sessions annually)*
- *Work as a Team Member with Care Managers and Consumers*
- *Be 22 years of age, residing and living in Delaware County*
- *Must own & reside in home requesting certification ***landlord approval if home is rental*
- *Certification in CPR & First Aid*
- *Annual recertification to continue participation in DomCare Program*

DomCare Provider Statements.....

“I provide caring supervision in a warm, receptive home environment”.

“I get a spiritual feeling out of sharing my home and helping others”