

# TERESIAN HOUSE

*Where the spirit of love and dedication lives...*

## Personal Preferences

Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*Our goal is to help you reach or maintain your optimum level of independence. Please answer these questions in light of your current abilities and preferences. Please complete this form and return it, prior to admission, to the attention of the Director of Admissions.*

Please check all items in each category that describe your abilities and leave blank those items that do not apply to you.

### 1. Dressing (How do you dress yourself)

- I can get my own clothing out of the closet/dresser.
- I can put my clothing on without assistance.
- I can put my shoes on without assistance.
- I can manage buttons and zippers without assistance.

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

### 2. Bathing and grooming

- I can get in and out of tub/shower by myself.
- I can bathe/shower independently.
- I need assistance washing certain areas of the body. (please specify what areas e.g. feet, back, etc.)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

- I can comb my hair without assistance.
- I can brush my teeth/perform denture care independently.
- I can shave independently.
- I can put on makeup/jewelry independently.

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

- a. Which do you prefer?  bath  shower
- b. How many times a week do you have a full bath/shower? \_\_\_\_\_
- c. At what time do you prefer to bathe? \_\_\_\_\_

### 3. Dining

- a. What time do you usually eat breakfast? \_\_\_\_\_
- b. What do you generally eat for breakfast? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- c. What time do you usually eat lunch? \_\_\_\_\_
- d. What time do you usually eat dinner? \_\_\_\_\_
- e. Which is your most substantial meal of the day?

- breakfast       lunch                       dinner
- f. Do you have a good appetite? yes no
- g. Do you snack between meals? yes no
- h. What do you prefer as a snack?  
 Morning Snack: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Afternoon Snack: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Evening Bedtime Snack: \_\_\_\_\_
- i. Have you had a recent weight change?       yes  no  
 If yes please explain: \_\_\_\_\_
- j. Do you like to cook?  yes       no
- k. Do you prefer to eat: alone?  with others?

**4. Walking**

- I can walk with no assistive devices (e.g. cane, walker)
- I can walk independently with:    cane walker
- I can walk if someone is with me to ensure my safety
- I can walk short distances (less than 50 feet):  
 without assistance               with assistance
- I can walk long distances:  
 without assistance               with assistance
- I enjoy taking regular walks:  
 without assistance               with assistance
- I am independent with my wheelchair
- I need to be pushed in my wheelchair

Comments \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

**5. Transferring**

- I can get out of and into bed on my own.
- I can go from the bed to a chair and vice versa, with no assistance.
- I need assistance to get in and out of bed or a chair.
- I need total assistance with transfers (i.e. mechanical lift)

Comments \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

**6. Toileting**

- I can toilet myself without assistance.
- I need a raised toilet seat.
- I can care for myself after toileting.
- I am continent, but need assistance with hygiene.
- I am incontinent, but use protective pads and can change them myself.
- I am incontinent but need assistance with incontinence products.

**7. Pain Assessment**

- a. Do you have any discomfort/pain? \_\_\_\_\_  
\*Please note: if answering on behalf of the prospective resident due to his/her cognitive impairment indicate nonverbal signs of pain such as behavior changes, facial expressions, change in mood that we should be aware of.  
Comments \_\_\_\_\_
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- b. If you have pain, indicate site(s) of pain \_\_\_\_\_  
c. Is pain of such intensity that it limits your ability to be independent in your care?  
yes no  
d. When do you experience discomfort/pain? \_\_\_\_\_  
e. What do you do to alleviate the discomfort/pain? medication hot/cold packs topical ointments  
other \_\_\_\_\_  
f. Is the treatment you use effective? \_\_\_\_\_ To what degree: \_\_\_\_\_somewhat  
\_\_\_\_\_moderate relief \_\_\_\_\_total relief  
g. If you do get relief from discomfort/pain, how long are you pain-free before requiring more treatment? \_\_\_\_\_

**8. Daily Routine**

- a. What time do you wish to get up in the morning? \_\_\_\_\_  
b. What time do you get dressed in the morning? \_\_\_\_\_  
c. Do you nap during the day?  yes  no  
If yes, at what time? \_\_\_\_\_ For how long? \_\_\_\_\_  
d. What time do you go to bed at night? \_\_\_\_\_  
e. Do you generally sleep through the night? \_\_\_\_\_  
If no, do you: awoken to go to the bathroom? \_\_\_\_\_  
If so, how many times do you get up at night to go to the bathroom \_\_\_\_\_  
f. Where do you sleep at night?  bed  chair  sofa  other  
(explain) \_\_\_\_\_  
g. In your present bedroom, is one side of your bed placed against the wall?  
 yes  no  
If yes, which side (as you are lying in the bed) is against the wall?  left  right  
h. Do you have someone come in during the day or night to assist with meal preparation, household chores, personal care, etc.?  yes  no  
If yes, who? \_\_\_\_\_  
With what types of things does this person assist you?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
i. Which of the following do you do during a typical day? (please check all that apply)  
 go out (shopping, visiting, etc.)  
 watch T.V.  
 read  
 do crafts  
 hobbies(please specify) \_\_\_\_\_  
 other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_  
j. Do you smoke?  yes  no  
If yes, how many cigarettes do you smoke per day? \_\_\_\_\_  
k. Do you enjoy a cocktail?  yes  no

If yes, what time of day do you enjoy your drink? \_\_\_\_\_  
If yes, how often do you have a cocktail? \_\_\_\_\_ per day \_\_\_\_\_ per week

**9. Medical Information**

- a. Do you have any allergies to food, medications?  yes  no  
If yes, please specify:

\_\_\_\_\_

- b. Do you take your own medications?  yes  no

- c. Where do you keep your medications? \_\_\_\_\_

Medicine Cabinet  yes  no

Kitchen  yes  no

- d. When do you prefer to take your medications? \_\_\_\_\_

With meals

Before meals

After meals

- e. How often do you take your medications? \_\_\_\_\_

**10. Activities**

- a. Do you actively participate in any community/church organizations?  yes  no

If yes, specify \_\_\_\_\_

- b. Are there any activities in which you participate at least weekly?  yes  no

If yes, specify \_\_\_\_\_

- c. Do you prefer to: (check all that apply)

socialize in small groups?

socialize in larger groups?

pursue solitary activities?

no preference?

- d. Do you belong to any particular church or synagogue?  yes  no

- e. Do you find strength in religion?  yes  no

- f. Do you vote in local, state and national elections?  yes  no

- g. Would you like to vote at Teresian House?  yes  no

**11. General Questions**

- a. Do you mind having someone assist you with personal care (e.g. bathing, toileting, etc.)

yes  no

- b. Do you ever have difficulty finding your way around?  your house  your neighborhood

- c. Do you like animals?  yes  no

If yes, what kind of animals do you like? \_\_\_\_\_

- d. Do you have any allergies to animals? \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Person Completing Form: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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