

HS-4 Staff Interview #1

1. How frequently did individuals go out for entertainment in the past month?

Staff Response: A lot! One resident goes out almost daily with family. She does out at least four times per week and sometimes they are gone all day. One resident goes with family for a whole day at a time. They go out for a homecoming parades, Christmas lights, Halloween events, bazaars, lunch and drives.

2. What types of community groups or other activities in the community do individuals engage in? Who do individuals usually go with? How do individuals get there?

Staff Response: The Kiwanas are coming in periodically so 4H are going to start coming once per month. They participate with parades, religious activities, musicians, golf course, and museums. They recently went to soak at the Sleeping Buffalo Hot Springs, and they went for a drive in the country and had lunch. They like to drive in the country and show staff their old communities.

3.Do individuals have any activities they are required to attend?

Staff Response: None, everyone has a choice.

4. How do individuals see or make plans with their friends when they wish?

Staff Response: They talk on the phone with family and friends and make plans. They all have cell phones and they follow family on iPads. If they want to leave the facility they could coordinate with staff about the visit.

5. How frequently can individuals see and/or communicate with their families.

Staff Response: As frequently as they want.

6. How do individuals get places when they want to do something outside of the home?

Staff Response: Staff takes them to the grocery store or drug store. They've gone out to the new clothes store Family Matters. Phillips County Transport or staff can drive them depending on what is going on for the day.

7.Do any individuals have a competitive, integrated, paid job or volunteer in the community. Staff Response: None.

8.Do individuals vote in local, state or federal elections?

Staff Response: One resident would not do well they need help. One votes absentee they might need a little bit of family help, but they can vote.

9. What happens if individuals choose not to leave their home to attend planned activities or are otherwise unable to do so?

Staff Response: There is one resident that is not going to do many of the activities. He will come out and watch and visit. If others went off site staff would spend time with the resident that did not go off site.

10. How do individuals choose what to buy with their money and how do they go out and spend it?

Staff Response: They recently went on a trip to a bazaar. They all had their own money. They pay for their own items such as groceries, clothes, etc. They have complete control over their money. They are generally very conscientious about spending.

11. How do individuals dictate their daily schedule?

Staff Response: They do whatever they want. One resident gets up early and has breakfast. Two other residents wake up at 10 a.m. and they have their own breakfast in their residence. They get ready and go out or stay in and do puzzles or activities. One likes to fold laundry. She was a farm wife and feels most productive when she is doing things such as laundry or light housekeeping. Some of the residents are setting up a sewing area so that they can sew and quilt.