

Residents Rights and What they mean to me

I am 33 year old I live in nursing homes for about eight years and Heartland for five years now. It mean a lot because when I was growing up I went to the school for the blind in St Louis MO and I did not have very much say in my care but at least now have a lot of say in my care. The staff ask me my advice on every thing from meals to going to stuff like the Ball Game and the golden age games. For example I said I would like to dress up like Elvis this year for the games and they are going to try there best to do that it might seem small to you but it a big thing for me. Residents right is important to me because I feel like a human not a robot just being told what to do. I got a guardian and she and I have a big say in my treatment. I can go talk to the staff with out wondering if I am going to get kick out of my home like I was in one that I lived in in Texas. Residents Rights play in decision making in a big role through our monthly town hall meeting because we get try fun activities , picked the meal and activity like for labor day the residents chose to have a bar b que. Our care plan has a big say in our treatment and the staff work with me to do what is in my best interest. I appreciate the staff at Heartland allowing me to keep my rights.

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When someone listens to my advice and opinions, it makes me feel like they are concerned about what I have to say about the Residents Rights.

The Resident Rights are important because they protect us from getting hurt. They also protect our income and our personal things.

I think the staff members should know about our rights to help us know things about us and when we have problems, we can go to a staff member for advice, so we do not get harmed or in trouble.

At the Heartland Care and Rehab facility we are involved in activities. They let us play Bingo. We go to Golden Age Games for fun, Ball games if we want to go. They have Birthday parties and special holiday parties that gives us something special to do. We also have Resident Council meeting and we vote on meals and we get to vote for the members in Resident Council. There is a president, a vice-president, secretary and treasurer.

Heartland Care is like a big family and ever since I have been here I have made a lot of friends.

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P.S.

We also have fund raising on different activities such as Cardinal Ballgames

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Living in a nursing home has different meanings to me!

We have different activities, some more exciting than others, but all fun, interesting, and we have many nice and caring people working for us. It's nice having younger people like myself living here.

We make friends with staff as well as other residents. It's a very caring place here at Heartland Care and Rehab!

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Willie Jo Cohen".

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