

CARE CHALLENGE	CARING AT HOME	LIVWELL VILLAGES
Social Life	Visits are dependent on many factors including daily routines, existing engagements and transport. Maintaining everyday life and societal expectations can become challenging.	Spontaneous socialisation frequently occurs as residents are within close proximity to each other. Socialisation is encouraged through shared activities and meals.
Transportation	There is a reliance on others' availability to get to and from appointments and events or the person with dementia may still believe that they can drive alone and this poses a great safety risk.	Livewell schedules car or bus trips for the residents. Companions are allowed to accompany their loved ones to appointments and outings.
Needed Health Care	The person living at home will not be able to refer themselves to needed specialists which may result in symptoms of ill health being ignored or not recognised.	The nursing team keeps a close eye on residents and will make the appropriate referrals to specialists to address specific health concerns.
Dining	Living at home may mean that the person eats alone. They may forget to eat and the importance of nutrition is largely neglected.	Dining with others, table service, freshly prepared cuisine, accommodations for many special diets, weight management and assurance of hydration are all taken care of at Livewell.
Home Management	There can sometimes be difficulty in keeping the home clean. Clothing care becomes a challenge as well as basic shopping and running errands.	Housekeeping, linen service and maintenance are provided by professional staff.
Emergency Assistance	Homes are not equipped with emergency protocol or devices. Families face anxiety over security and how long assistance will take when needed.	An emergency alert system is built into each suite. Staff is available 24/7 including CCTV security cameras.
Exercise	Daily exercise should be encouraged. A sedentary lifestyle can quickly occur as it is usually associated with loneliness and boredom in older people.	Livewell offers daily exercise and walks. Activities such as yoga, croquet, bowls, swing-ball and weekly hikes are also offered to encourage exercise.
Independence	Loved ones have more independence in their own home compared to a care facility, but at times this also poses a risk and the person cannot keep up with the daily demands or keep making the best decisions for living independently.	Support is given by care providers and other staff members. The appropriate amount of assistance will be decided by the family, therapist and the health care manager at Livewell.
Decision Making	At home the person is given the freedom to make their own (possibly weak) decisions and have their own routine.	At Livewell we have a structured routine, but we understand the importance of autonomy and respect it at all times.