

To Move or Not to Move

Below are some helpful questions to think about when contemplating moving your loved one with Alzheimer's disease into your home

Does your loved one want to move?

What about his or her spouse?

What support systems are already working well?

Have you tried local community based services first?

Is your home equipped to care for the person now and in the future?

Will someone be there to care for the person when needed?

How will the move affect other family members and your work?

Is the person able to travel safely? Is there someone to escort them if needed?

What local resources are available? Is the person eligible for these resources?

What kind of medical care is needed? Is insurance an option to cover any of the assistance needed?

Have you talked to others involved in the person's care?

Have you considered the degree of dementia and how this will affect the person's ability to adjust in a new setting?

Have you talked with other family members to see if they are willing to help with part of the care, or give you breaks?

Do you have a back-up plan if things don't work out at home?