



What Is An Elder Care Coordinator?

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Your Elder Care Coordinator

An Elder Care Coordinator is a professional, such as a social worker, counselor, nurse, or gerontologist who specializes in assisting older people and their families to attain the highest quality of life given their circumstances. An Elder Care Coordinator will:

- Help clients and families identify care problems and assist in solving them.
- Assist families in identifying and arranging in-home help or other services.
- Coordinate with medical and health providers.
- Review personal care and medical issues and offer referrals to other geriatric specialists to provide appropriate care while conserving financial resources.
- Provide support, guidance, and advocacy during a crisis.
- Help with coordinating transfer and transportation of an older person to or from a retirement complex, assisted care living facility, or nursing home.

- Provide education.
- Offer counseling and support.

What Does This Mean to You?

Not every client needs an Elder Care Coordinator. For those who do, an Elder Care Coordinator is assigned to help our clients and their families with their long-term care concerns. At Takacs McGinnis Elder Care Law, your Elder Care Coordinator functions as the point of contact for the family and assists in coordinating services to help you take care of your loved one.

Your Elder Care Coordinator has extensive knowledge about the availability, quality, and costs of resources in the community. As our families begin their journey through the long-term care system, it is helpful for them to have a supportive and knowledgeable advocate to accompany them along the way.