## Why CARE?

We provide trained professionals who have knowledge of local resources, experience with care coordination, and expertise in a wide range of health conditions, disabilities, and aging. Services are fee-based. Benefits include:

- Peace of mind
- Cost containment
- Quality oversight
- Enhanced quality of life

## **Cost Information**

- Services are tailored to individual needs
- They may be one-time only, short-term, or ongoing
- Service agreements are developed outlining responsibilities and projected costs
- The initial consultation is FREE



At LifePath, we listen first, so that each person finds the best options for their unique needs. We partner with elders and persons with disabilities to maintain independence and quality of life in their own homes and communities. Caregivers can find relief and loved ones can choose their own path.

As we have been for 45 years, we're here offering options for independence. We welcome all people regardless of race, physical appearance or ability, age, nationality or ancestry, class, religious or political beliefs, marital status, sexual orientation, or gender identity.

LifePath, a private, nonprofit corporation, serves Franklin County plus Athol, Petersham, Phillipston, and Royalston. Some of LifePath's programs extend into Berkshire, Hampden, Hampshire, and Worcester counties.

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Coordination, Advocacy, Referrals, and Education

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Do you need customized help navigating complex issues related to illness, disability, or aging, such as help with:

- Determining care needs at home
- Developing a plan
- Facilitating tough conversations
- Navigating through the maze of services

The CARE Program can help.





## What is the CARE Program?

- CARE (Coordination, Advocacy, Referrals, and Education) helps those who need extra assistance to remain at home or who are transitioning from one care setting to another due to an illness, disability, or aging
- Services are offered at an hourly fee. Initial consultation is FREE.

With CARE, clients have access to a team of professionals including a licensed clinician, nurse, and care coordinator who can provide a wide range of help, including:

- Arranging for skilled services
- Setting up appointments and arranging for transportation
- Visiting the home
- Maintaining contact with out-of-town loved ones
- Providing counseling, education, and advocacy
- Coaching family members on chronic disease, dementia, end of life, and challenges of care for a loved one

"Thanks to the professionals at CARE, I am now settled and in a better place."

"The CARE program provided just the help I needed without a lot of paperwork. It was tailored to my specific and complicated situation."

