

TESTIMONIALS

Thanks to my daily WellAWARE report, I was prompted that one of my clients had experienced an unusually restless night of sleep. Concerned, I decided to pay her a visit. After some initial prodding, she began to cry as she told of her frightening hallucinations. This was not normal behavior and I knew it was potentially a serious problem. During our conversations, she told me that her physician had given her samples of a new medication a couple of days earlier.

I confirmed that the drug can cause hallucinations in some people. A call to her doctor and the problem was solved. She was back to her normal self within a couple of days.

Janet T., RN



Through WellAWARE, I saw that Mrs. R. was extremely restless during the night. When I visited her the next day, she told me she thought she was sleeping okay, “but it felt like my bones were on fire.” After assessing her situation and discussing it with her daughter, it seemed that Mrs. R. might need a better program for pain management. With her doctor’s direction, a new program was put in place. By the next evening, her nighttime discomfort and restlessness were minimal. Without WellAWARE, Mrs. R.’s pain might have gone untreated until it was out of control – possibly requiring hospitalization.

Scott L., LPN



WellAWARE is a program of **Volunteers of America** and has been developed through a partnership with **WellAWARE Systems** and **The Evangelical Lutheran Good Samaritan Society**.

Volunteers of America is a national, nonprofit, faith-based organization dedicated to helping those in need live healthy, safe and productive lives. Since 1896, our ministry of service has supported and empowered America’s most vulnerable groups, including the frail elderly, people with disabilities, at-risk youth, men and women returning from prison, homeless individuals and families, those recovering from addictions and many others. Through hundreds of human service programs, including housing and healthcare, Volunteers of America helps more than 2 million people in over 400 communities. We offer a variety of services for older Americans, in particular, that allow them to maintain their independence and quality of life – everything from an occasional helping hand to full-time care. Our work touches the mind, body, heart-and ultimately the spirit-of those we serve, integrating our deep compassion with highly effective programs and services. For more information about Volunteers of America, visit www.VolunteersofAmerica.org.



TO ENHANCE QUALITY OF LIFE
& ENSURE PEACE OF MIND...

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WellAWARE™ offers the opportunity for **enhanced quality of life** through an innovative approach to wellness and safety. It is a **low cost** monitoring solution that gathers and reports behavioral and wellness information.

Proactive wellness reports provided in a user-friendly format allow caregivers to track variances in patterns of daily living, including sleep quality patterns, stove usage, bathing habits, toileting frequency, and socialization.

The system detects and alerts caregivers to **potential emergent conditions or events** such as disabling falls or an unattended stove.

WellAWARE is **unobtrusive and simple to install**, whether placed in a private home or supportive living environment. To maintain **privacy and dignity**, there is no need for cameras or active participation on the part of the client. Instead, small sensors are distributed discreetly throughout the living environment.

KEY BENEFITS

- ✓ Proactive approach to care delivery
- ✓ Early identification of potentially adverse medical symptoms and safety concerns
- ✓ Clinically tested and validated to show a reduction in the cost of care
- ✓ Improved peace of mind and reinforced sense of well-being

SAMPLE APPLICATIONS

Harold

Harold had shown early signs of confusion and memory loss but was still living independently, which concerned his family. While cooking one evening he inadvertently left the stove on. After receiving specific sensor information, the WellAWARE system sent an alert to the caregivers. They were then able to intervene before a potentially serious event occurred.

Sue

Sue hadn't realized she was using the bathroom more than usual. Her nurse was prompted by the WellAWARE activity reports. She talked to Sue and recommended the doctor be called to request a urinalysis, because of her tendency to get severe urinary tract infections. The results revealed an infection and she was able to get early treatment and avoid another hospital stay.



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