



Vista Montana  
SENIOR LIVING

# Assisted Living Waiver

## *What is the Assisted Living Waiver?*

The Assisted Living Waiver (ALW) is a Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) waiver that was created by legislation that directed the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) to develop and implement the project to test the efficacy of assisted living as a Medi-Cal Benefit.

## *What is the goal of ALW?*

- \* Facilitate a safe and timely transition of Medi-Cal eligible seniors and persons with disability from a nursing facility to a community home-like setting in a Residential Care Facility (RCF), an Adult Residential Care Facility (ARF).
- \* Offer eligible seniors and persons with disabilities, who reside in the community but are at risk being institutionalized the option of utilizing ALW services to develop a program that will safely meet his/her care needs while continuing to reside in a RCF, ARF, or subsidized housing.

## *Eligibility*

The ALW enables eligible Medi-Cal beneficiaries to enjoy the care at Assisted Living Communities. The beneficiary is responsible for paying only SSI Rent which is currently \$1,014 per month. The balance of care expenses is paid for by the ALW program.

## *Vista Montana is now approved for the ALW!*

If you would like to learn more about the ALW program please visit [www.dhcs.ca.gov](http://www.dhcs.ca.gov) or just drop by/give us a call and we'll be more than happy to help.

