

There are Veteran's Benefits that can help pay for Independent Living or Assisted Living

The VA has a pension program few veterans or their families are aware of called *Aid and Attendance*. John Paschal, owner of Amada Senior Care, explains "This program is available through the VA and is a benefit that can be a godsend for veterans who served during a time of war or their spouses. The program reimburses veterans part of the expenses for those who may require assistance with various activities of daily living (to include bathing, dressing, etc), who live in a full service retirement community, assisted living community, personal care home, or skilled nursing facility.

John has met with several veterans, assisting them with understanding eligibility requirements for this benefit as well as helping them with the application process. **Independence Hill will be hosting an informational session with John, an Aid and Attendance Veteran's Benefit expert at 10:00am on March 2nd at our Assisted Living (20500 Huebner Rd). He will discuss this benefit and how to determine if you are eligible. Please call (210) 209-8956 by February 28th to RSVP.** "This benefit is one of the most misunderstood benefits and I truly enjoy spreading the knowledge so that our well deserving veterans can utilize these funds" expresses John.

Numerous residents at Independence Hill have mentioned how this benefit has allowed them to continue to live independently while giving them the extra help they now need. Here's what the daughter of an Independence Hill Resident said, *"This was a tremendous help financially for my mother. It has allowed her to have the extra money from this benefit over and above her pension and social security income. It had been a blessing to get her in to Independence Hill Assisted Living several years ago when she decided that she no longer wanted to live alone. Mom has improved so much under their care, that she will now be moving into their independent living community. Her Veterans Aid and Attendance benefit will follow her and continue to provide her this financial help."*

At Independence Hill we are all about keeping our residents as informed as possible so they may enjoy their independence in comfort for as long as possible. Come by for a tour so you too can personally experience the difference. Knowledge is Power!