



Twenty Reasons for Home Care

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There is no question in my mind that home care is the wave of the future. There is growing public demand for health care services that are available to the public in their own homes. The reasons for this trend are complex. They have to do with tradition, with technology, and with cost effectiveness.

1. **It is delivered at home.**
2. **Home care represents the best tradition in American Health Care.**
3. **Home care keeps families together.**
4. **Home care serves to keep the elderly in independence.**
5. **Home care prevents or postpones institutionalization.**
6. **Home care promotes healing.**
7. **Home care is safer.**
8. **Home care allows a maximum amount of freedom for the individual.**
9. **Home care is a personalized care.**
10. **Home care, by definition, involves the individual and the family in the care that is delivered.**
11. **Home care reduces stress.**
12. **Home care is the most effective form of health care.**
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14. **Home care is given by special people.**
15. **Home care is the only way to reach some people.**
16. **There is little fraud and abuse associated with home care.**
17. **Home care improves the quality of life.**
18. **Home care is less expensive than other forms of care.**
19. **Home care extends life.**
20. **Home care is the preferred form of care, even for individuals who are terminally ill.**

In short, home care is the oldest form of health care. Health care has been traditionally given at home throughout the centuries. It is also the newest. Modern technology has developed to the point where virtually anything is available in a hospital can be provided at home. There is significant evidence that it is less costly than other forms of care, and that it is the most satisfying form of health care available to the American Public. Little wonder that the public is demanding that it be made more available. It is an idea whose time has come.

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