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Here are a few important questions we recommend that you ask yourself about every community you tour:

- Do you know anyone that lives in the Community?
- Have you visited the Community?
- When you visited were you invited to talk to residents and staff?
- Have you had the opportunity to dine at the Community?
- Does the Community offer accommodations that are attractive to you?
- Does the Community have access to an exercise area and indoor pool at no additional charge?
- Is the Community in a convenient location near family, friends, churches, stores and hospitals?
- Are all utilities (electricity, water, telephone, television, heating, air conditioning) included in your monthly fee?
- Is building maintenance, lawn care and home repair, included in your fee?
- Does the Community offer assisted living and skilled nursing care?
- Do your fees increase as you need more care?
- Does the Community offer a separate special care residence for those with memory impairment?
- Is there an emergency call system in your residence?
- Does the Community provide 24-hour security?
- Does the accommodation include appliances?
- Does the Community have a financially secure sponsor?
- How long has the Community been in business?