

Signs Your Parent Needs Care

Determining when an aging parent needs outside support involves observing changes in their physical, mental, and emotional well-being. Here are some signs to look for:



1. Physical Health Decline

- **a.** Frequent falls or balance issues
- **b.** Difficulty with mobility or walking
- c. Unexplained weight loss or gain
- d. Poor personal hygiene

4. Daily Living Challenges

- **a.** Difficulty performing household chores
- **b.** Neglecting home maintenance
- c. Difficulty with dressing or grooming
- **d.** Trouble preparing meals or changes in eating habits

2. Cognitive Changes

- a. Memory loss affecting daily life
- b. Confusion or disorientation
- c. Difficulty managing medications or finances

3. Emotional and **Mental Health**

- a. Increased depression or anxiety
- **b.** Mood swings or agitation
- c. Social withdrawal, loneliness, or isolation



5. Safety Concerns

- a. Unsafe driving or getting lost while driving
- **b.** Increased accidents or near-misses
- c. Leaving the stove on or forgetting to lock doors

6. Medical Needs

- **a.** Managing chronic conditions becomes challenging
- **b.** Frequent hospital visits or medical emergencies
- c. Inconsistent or improper use of medications

If you notice these signs, it might be time to consider options such as in-home care, adult day care, assisted living, or other support services. Contact ApexCare to schedule a detailed assessment of your loved one.



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