Web-based Services Disclosure Form

Aging Safely’s web site www.AgingSafely.com, and those within its subdomains are only providing internet-based advertising for Adult Family Homes. Aging Safely’s Listed Homes page is not considered as acting as an "Elder and vulnerable adult referral agency" under Washington’s Chapter 18.330 RCW (Elder and Vulnerable Adult Referral Agency Act) because no fee is collect from the client nor from the provider as the result of any referral. (RCW 18.330.110 - 3) The same applies to any “pro-bono” Medicaid consulting that may be done. Aging Safely is exempt from the disclosure and other record keeping aspects of RCW 18.330 for these activities. In both cases Aging Safely is only providing information to a person. (RCW 18.330.070) However, Aging Safely’s Professional Consulting Services (where a fee is collected on a per-referral basis) are completely covered under RCW 18.330 and we use a different Disclosure Form. That Disclosure Form must be signed by the vulnerable adult or their DPOA.

1) As a website we don’t gather or retain any healthcare information. See the website’s Privacy Policy and Terms of Use for details.

2) Aging Safely Inc. was incorporated by the State of Washington on 12/15/04 --- UBI Number: 602-454-134. Dorothy “Dotti” Snow, RN is the founder, President and majority shareholder. Neither Aging Safely nor its owners or personnel have any financial interest in any Adult Family Home (AFH) or other similar housing or care facilities, except where they may own shares of a publically traded stock as part of a retirement account, mutual fund, ETF or similar security.

3) All of Aging Safely’s employees, owners, or operators have a background checks at least every 24 months and meet the requirements of RCW 43.43.830 & RCW 43.43.842.

4) For web-based searches via our “Listed Homes” page, Aging Safely Inc. acts as neither representative of the client seeking care services nor residence in housing. For these services we are just advertising the facilities and the services that the individual Adult Family Homes claim to provide. This is advertising just like a newspaper, phonebook or on Google, Yahoo or other search engines. Adult Family Homes pay for these advertising services on an annual or quarterly basis, not on a per-referral basis. i.e. fees are not “collected from or on behalf of a vulnerable adult”. (RCW 18.330.010 - 3)

5) Aging Safely’s web site (www.AgingSafely.com and all of its subdomains) and any “pro-bono” Medicaid referrals that Aging Safely may assist in, do not require the complete record keeping and disclosure required by RCW 18.330 because for these activities Aging Safely isn’t acting as an "Elder and vulnerable adult referral agency" because no fee is being collected from or on behalf of a vulnerable adult. (RCW 18.330.010 - 3)

6) For those AFHs using our Web-based AFH Marketing Services and listed on our “Listed Homes” page of our web site:

a) We will have toured the facility each time we have placed a Professional Consulting Service client in the home or photographed the home for our web site. If the provider took the photographs on our web site it is possible that we have not toured the facility. (RCW 18.330.050 - 2g)

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1 "Elder and vulnerable adult referral agency" or "agency" means a business or person who receives a fee from or on behalf of a vulnerable adult seeking a referral to care services or supportive housing, or who receives a fee from a care services provider or supportive housing provider because of any referral provided to or on behalf of a vulnerable adult. (RCW 18.330.110 - 3) Note: Most of RCW 18.330’s disclosure and record keeping requirements only apply to an “agency” in the fee per referral context.
b) We try to have email, phone, or voicemail contact with AFH providers monthly to verify each home’s vacancy status and any changes in their services, capabilities or license status. We check the license status of each AFH at least once per quarter with DSHS’s database.

7) Aging Safely doesn’t charge the vulnerable adult for our Web-based AFH Marketing Services. We do not charge the AFH any “Placement Fee” for placements made through the web. We do have contracts for our Web-based AFH Marketing Services with the AFHs shown on our “Listed Homes” page. The same AFH may be involved in both our Web Services and Professional Consulting Service. After a $250 one-time setup fee AFHs typically pay us $125 / 3 months per AFH. There are discounts for multiple AFHs per provider and for paying for the entire year at one time as well occasional signup discounts. The actual Contract and Price List are available at www.AgingSafely.com.

8) The Department of Social and Health Services has a “Complaint Resolution” hotline at 800-562-6078. All of Aging Safely’s owners, operators, and employees are considered mandated reporters and are required to report abuse, abandonment, neglect, or financial exploitation of vulnerable adults.

9) You may file a consumer protection act (RCW 19.86) complaint with the Attorney General’s office by going to http://www.atg.wa.gov/fileacomplaint.aspx, calling 206-464-6684 or by mail to 800 5th Ave. Suite 2000, Seattle, WA. 98104-3188. There is also a pointer to this on Aging Safely’s “Links and Docs” page (RCW 18.330.050 – 2j)*

10) Our web site has a Details Page (the blue rectangular Details button) for each AFH. The following items are displayed:
   a) The Name and Address of the facility, its DSHS License Number, Specialty Licenses, Languages Spoken (English is assumed), and a summary of the services provided by the facility. (18.330.070)
   b) Washington’s Chapter 18.330 RCW requires that we update our data on each AFH at least annually. (18.330.070 - 2b) We display three dates: The date for the latest update of any piece of data, the update of vacancy data and the date of the latest update of data we get from DSHS. (https://fortress.wa.gov/dshaapps/Lookup/AFHAdvLookup.aspx)
   c) A pointer to any Enforcement Letters & Inspection Reports from DSHS so that both the client and Aging Safely can read them. You will need to read these and make your own decision as to their importance.