



Fisher House Check List

Eligibility and Criteria

Commute at least 50 miles to the VA medical Center for treatment

Not for overnight stays or missed rides

Must have a permanent address

Veteran does not have to be Service Connected

Fisher House is not income based

Must be visiting a hospitalized Veteran or Active Duty Service member

Veterans/Active Duty Service members undergoing long-term outpatient treatment may stay at the Fisher House only if accompanied by a non-medical attendant/caregiver.

Must be medically stable and capable of self-care, guests have to be autonomous.

There is no staff on duty at Fisher House after 4:30pm, weekends or Federal Holidays.

VA Fisher House is a temporary residence and not:

A replacement for a medical center Temporary Lodging (Hoptel) Programs

Accredited under The Joint Commission, CARF or other accreditation organizations.

A treatment facility, hospice or counseling center

Not a Homeless Shelter

A patient care area

Fisher House is a communal living environment guests share common areas

Fisher House has parking for guests

Transportation is not provided

Guests are responsible for their own meals and have a large kitchen to share

Alcoholic beverages or illegal substances (drugs) are not permitted in the Fisher House

Animals, except service dogs are not permitted in Fisher House

Unauthorized guests are not permitted in VA Fisher Houses; registered guests are responsible for notifying the VA Fisher House Manager prior to additional guest visitation.

Guest keys/keycards are nontransferable.

Guests are responsible for securing their medicines and valuables

Fisher House welcomes children but, no child under the age of 18 may be left without adult supervision at all times.

There is no time limit stay is connected to Veteran's "Episode of Care" if care has ended stay must as well. If guests need to stay beyond 30 days documentation is necessary to prove episode of care is still in progress.

Oxygen is allowed but, manager must be notified prior to stay so that proper safety signage may be posted.