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"In-Home Care Specialists"

LIFELINE - Emergency response Time is Critical.

6 months ago my wife's 93 year old aunt fell in her condo 8 times within a 2 week period. 3 times the ambulance came and 5 times I assisted her up. After one of her falls, my wife and I found her laying on the kitchen floor with her head propped up by the wall. The burner was bright red, the teapot was whistling, and the smoke alarm was beeping; fortunately, she was not hurt and the place didn't burn down. I'm sure you're thinking: Why did they let her stay there. My answer: She wouldn't leave. After 1 of her 3 visits to the ER, it was finally determined that she had a Urinary Tract Infection (UTI), she went to a skilled facility, and recovered. She has been living at her home independently since then.

It's amazing that a 93 year old lady was not hurt during any of these falls. However, my reason for relaying this story is that, thanks to her Lifeline, someone responded quickly during each event. Lifeline is a waterproof button worn as a pendant or a wristband.

Advantages of Lifeline:

1. Provides the user with a predetermined order of family, neighbors, or medical personnel that will be notified in an emergency situation.
2. Time is critical in an emergency situation; phone calls are made immediately when the button is pressed.
3. Often times, like the story above, allows the user to return to their independent living.
4. Approximate cost is only a little more than \$1/day. Grants and government money are available for those who can't afford the cost but desperately need the benefit.

Our Advice:

No long term contracts are needed to have a Lifeline installed. The process is very easy and the benefits are immense. Below is a link to Trihealth Lifeline, one of the companies that provides this service in Cincinnati. Everyone should investigate the advantages of Lifeline; they are lifesaving. Don't wait - Time is Critical.

[TriHealth Lifeline Website](#) Call:513-569-5115

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