

Care Resources Now Welcoming New Participants 55 Years and Older at New Facility in Lowell

Community-Based Program Promotes Healthy, Independent Living
Through Wrap-Around Supportive Services

Lowell Township, Michigan, December 23, 2024 – Care Resources, a community-based program for people 55 years and older that promotes healthy and independent living while working to prevent nursing home placement, is now welcoming new participants at its new facility in Lowell Township.

Care Resources is a Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly, or PACE®, which is funded by Medicare and Medicaid to provide affordable medical care and home health services to eligible older adults. The Lowell facility is strategically positioned to better serve participants in the nonprofit's growing service area, including northern Kent County, as well as Barry and Ionia counties. Programming will start on Thursday, Jan. 2, 2025.

The program offers a wide range of healthcare services as well as opportunities that promote socialization, build community, and offer respite to caregivers. Participants are at the center of all services, which include primary and home care, rehabilitation, prescription medicine, medical specialists, nutrition services, social services, and transportation to and from the Day Center and to specialty appointments.

The Lowell site is the second for Care Resources, which also has a full-service primary care clinic and adult Day Center in Grand Rapids, a second in Lowell is now open and ready to accept new participants. The facility will be staffed by 30 teams members and able to serve up to 125 participants.

"We're so delighted to begin welcoming new participants to our beautiful new Lowell facility," Chief Executive Officer Kimberly Smith said. "Our new Lowell facility offers a convenient alternative for those who want to access wrap-around supportive services without needing to drive into Grand Rapids.

"If you're worried you or a loved one may not be able to stay at home safely without support, Care Resources can help provide solutions that promote independence, dignity, and a better quality of life. We look forward to a wonderful 2025 and serving more participants in the greater Lowell area."

The new 16,500-square-foot building was constructed on nearly 3.4 acres of property at 11730 Fulton St. E. The facility features a state-of-the-art rehabilitation/therapy gym, a full-service medical clinic, and several participant activity areas.

Individuals who are interested in receiving services are encouraged to <u>inquire now</u>. To qualify for PACE services, participants can be referred to Care Resources by physicians, hospitals, family members, and other organizations or community members. Self-referrals are welcomed as well. Individuals who are 55 years or older must meet nursing facility medical eligibility standards.

As a federal- and state-funded program, PACE uses Medicare and Medicaid funds to cover all medically necessary care and services. For most people, there are little to no deductibles or copays. Individuals can also pay for PACE services privately.

To discuss eligibility and rates, individuals are encouraged to schedule a personal tour by contacting Care Resources at 616.913.2006 or info@careresources.org.

Established in 2006, Care Resources is a nonprofit partnership between Holland Home, Reliance Community Care Partners, Dominican Sisters-Grand Rapids, University of Michigan Health-West, and Pine Rest Christian Mental Health Services.

From its Grand Rapids location at 4150 Kalamazoo Ave. SE, the organization provides a Day Center and clinic, medical care, and home health services annually to nearly 400 participants in Kent County and portions of Allegan, Barry, Ionia, and Ottawa counties.

About Care Resources

Care Resources is a community-based program for people 55 years or older that promotes healthy, independent living and helps prevent nursing home placement. The Care Resources team of healthcare professionals works with older adults and their families to develop a comprehensive care plan — helping participants to make medical decisions every step of the way. For more information, visit careresources.org.