Useful Phone numbers (Australia)

Christadelphian Aged Care (NSW, QLD) 02 9782 6000

Bethsalem Care, SA 08 8321 0300

Olivet Care, Victoria 03 9131 5500

Financial

Centrelink – Aged Pension 13 23 00

Carer benefits 13 27 17

Family Assist 13 61 50

Financial Advice

Aged Care Finance Solutions 1800 001 020

Affinity Aged Care Financial Services 1300 366 932

Seniors Rights Services 1800 424 079

(free and confidential legal advice/advocacy/education)

Guardianship Tribunal 1800 463 928

NSW Trustee & Guardian 1300 102 030

NT 08 8999 7882

QLD Public Trustee 1300 360 044

SA Public Trustee 08 8226 9200

Tasmania 1800 068 784

Victoria 1300 138 672

WA Public Trustee 1300 746 116

Useful Phone numbers (Australia)

Medical

Medicare 132 011

MyAgedCare 1800 200 422

Hearing Services 1800 500 726

Dementia Helpline 1800 100 500

Visioncare 1300 847 366

Elder Abuse Helpline 1800 628 221

Taxi Subsidy Scheme 1800 623 724

Continence Helpline 1800 330 066

Carers NSW 1800 242 636

Emergency Respite 1800 059 059

Cancer Council 13 11 20

Advance Care Directive 1800 451 488

Disability advice (64yrs and younger) 1800 422 016

Emergency Alert Systems/Personal Alarm

A personal alarm is a small device that helps you communicate with a person in times of need.

If you have a smartphone, you can use a number of apps that are similar to personal alarms, but they'll have some limitations.

Commonwealth Home Support Program – government assistance with a personal alarm

Useful Phone numbers (Australia)

Care@Home	1300 851 771
Vital Call	1300 360 808
Live-Life	1800 936 774
Mind Me	1300 776 907
Safe-Life	03 9588 0833

Buy local vs overseas product?

Choice "checked on a large shopping website based in China and found some identical looking, and similarly featured, devices to the Live-Life, Mind Me and Safe-Life for around \$80. The good news is that they may perform in a similar manner. The bad news is they have:

- no local support and instructions (if they exist)
- may not work with local sim cards
- may not be in English."