

# White Paper

## Certified Living In Place Professionals™ (CLIPP™) (April 11, 2015)



### **INTRODUCTION**

The Living In Place Institute™ is an educational organization devoted to increasing knowledge and awareness for professionals and influencers about increasing accessibility and safety in all homes, allowing current and future occupants to continue to live in place comfortably and safely regardless of their age or needs.

There are approximately 126 million homes in the US. Very few of those homes were built with accessibility and safety features to allow all individuals to live in place comfortably and safely, regardless of their age or needs.

Current building codes combined with current design principles and methodologies have not adequately provided an acceptable level of home accessibility and safety. Safety only in public areas, not private homes, has been increased through legislative actions, such as those associated with the Americans with Disability Act (ADA). However, even ADA prescribed requirements are not comprehensive enough to allow for adequate personal safety in our homes.

### **PROBLEM**

There are not enough trained professionals to adequately assess, make recommendations, and perform design and modification changes needed to allow for individuals to live independently and with dignity for as long as they desire in their homes.

### **SOLUTION**

The solution is to provide specialized training to professionals in medical, home design, construction, real estate, home inspection, as well as care providers, product and all related industries, about home accessibility and safety. These groups have been identified as having the greatest potential impact on quality of life at home through improved accessibility and safety.

Providing  
education to make  
all homes  
accessible,  
comfortable and  
safe for everyone  
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## ***CONCLUSION***

The quality of life for all homeowners will be improved through targeted efforts by CLIPP™ trained individuals.

The Living In Place Institute has developed specific training programs called Certified Living In Place Professional™ (CLIPP™).

Each of these highly trained professionals must maintain required insurance policies, licenses and continuing education.

Only registered CLIPP professionals have access to the Home Accessibility and Safety Assessment Checklist™ (HASAC™)

There are a few other national training programs available, but none have the features and potential of CLIPP™.