

*News Release for Department Newsletters*

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### **New Benefit for Legionnaires**

As we age, our likelihood to fall increases and the outcome of those falls can become more serious. Statistics show that people age 75 and older who fall are four to five times more likely than those age 65 to 74 to be admitted to a long-term care facility for a year or longer.<sup>1</sup> And among older adults, falls are the leading cause of both fatal and nonfatal injuries.<sup>2</sup> Because of the associated risk with falling, we felt it was imperative to offer a solution that can help you or a loved one get access to care, even if they're alone.

The Philips Lifeline Medical Alert Services provides a suite of assistance services so you can choose the service that best fits your needs. The HomeSafe system offers standard service for help at the push of a button or the AutoAlert option offers advanced fall-detection capability. And the newest system – GoSafe mobile system– gives you the freedom to go wherever you want, knowing you'll still have fast access to help 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Systems are all available at monthly rates, with no contract.

All services are provided by Philips Lifeline, America's #1 medical alert service provider since 1974. Philips Lifeline founded the medical alert service industry with one mission: to help seniors live independently and confidently. For more information, visit us online at [www.TheLIT.com](http://www.TheLIT.com) or call 1-855-495-4356.

<sup>1</sup> Scott JC. Osteoporosis and hip fractures. *Rheumatic Diseases Clinics of North America* 1990;16(3):717– 40.

<sup>2</sup> Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Injury Prevention and Control. [Web-based Injury Statistics Query and Reporting System \(WISQARS\)](#) [online]. Accessed August 15, 2013.