



# Botsford Commons Senior Community

INDEPENDENT APARTMENTS • ASSISTED LIVING CENTER • SKILLED NURSING CENTER

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## **Botsford Commons offers free memory screening**

Botsford Commons Senior Community is proud to be a screening site for National Memory Screening Day 2008 on Tuesday, Nov. 18 in Farmington Hills.

National Memory Screening Day is an annual collaborative effort spearheaded by the Alzheimer's Foundation of America to promote early detection and treatment of Alzheimer's and other illnesses.

"Alzheimer's currently affects more than 5 million Americans and is the leading cause of dementia in people over the age of 65," said Dr. Theodore Ruza, a Botsford psychiatrist. "The sooner it is diagnosed, the easier it is to manage and plan for the future."

Ruza added that proper diagnosis is critical since other causes of dementia, including vitamin deficiency and depression, are reversible and should be treated accordingly. Symptoms include loss of memory, thinking and language skills.

The free screenings will take place on Nov. 18 on the Botsford Commons campus at the Senior Assessment Center at 21440 Archwood Circle in Farmington Hills. The screenings are simple and take approximately 5 minutes to complete. To make an appointment, please call (248) 426-6930.