

Mobile solutions bring healthcare closer to home.

Studies show that patients recover more quickly in their own environment as opposed to a hospital setting. Due to the aging population and the decreasing number of days patients are allowed to remain in the hospital, the demand for homecare services is growing.

Traditionally, the home healthcare industry has relied heavily on manual/paper-based processes. Sprint is assisting this industry with its efforts to streamline operations, improve communications and manage electronic patient information on an as-needed basis ... anytime, just about anywhere.

Point-of-Care Solutions

Point-of-care solutions can improve the quality, accuracy and timeliness of your clinical documentation. This leads to improved cash flow through faster billing cycles, and increased revenues through more accurate coding and patient documentation. In addition, the agency can save money through increased productivity of clinical field staff and reduced mileage costs.

Operational savings can accrue through elimination of visits without orders, reduced copying and paper storage costs, and reduction of data entry and clerical staff. With a point-of-care system, a homecare agency can realize real financial savings and a rapid payback on the initial investment.

No more translating handwritten data on multi-page forms, dropping off paperwork back at the office after patient home visits or physically picking up patient care plans before "hitting the road." With Sprint Home Healthcare Solutions, homecare providers can now perform these tasks on the go while delivering the quality care and satisfaction their patients deserve.

Mobile Solutions can help home health, hospice and private duty agencies:

- > Increase field-based healthcare worker productivity and responsiveness to customers*
- > Access information and applications virtually anywhere, anytime*
- > Ensure secure data transmission*
- > Improve homecare employee productivity by extending their access to secure, wireless clinical information*
- > Capture key data with seamless real-time connectivity to back-office systems*



GPS Solutions – Locate, Navigate, Track, Manage

Home healthcare nurses spend a majority of their time out in the field, caring for patients at their homes, rather than in a doctor's office. Making the best use of their time is inherent to the home healthcare agency's operations as well as the health of their patients. Sprint partners with GPS solutions providers that can help home healthcare organizations better track time and travel of their mobile caregivers.

GPS Solutions can provide the following functionality:

- > Tracking of caregiver locations and activities for efficient nurse deployment
- > Accurate recording of employee location, status, activities (speed, stops, job tasks, etc.) via handheld devices
- > Efficient fuel spending and resource deployment based on real-time data and historic reports
- > Web-based real-time tracking and management tools that seamlessly integrate with existing systems
- > Audio and visual step-by-step navigation to a patient's home based on location of driver, destination, and/or needed services such as fuel centers
- > Personalization features, area maps, and route style selection for enhanced functionality

Sprint Mobile Broadband for Home Healthcare

The Sprint Mobile Broadband Network makes mobile home healthcare applications a reality. Quickly access, send and receive data anywhere from virtually anywhere. With Sprint Mobile Broadband and a Sprint PDA phone, home healthcare workers can stay in touch with their agency and their patients at all times. The convenience and time savings of mobile applications can increase productivity, save money and ultimately allow for more time caring for patients.

Sprint Mobile Broadband offers:

- > The nation's largest mobile broadband network
- > Speed to support intensive applications and send attachments. Download speeds average 600 Kbps to 1.4 Mbps and upload speeds 350 to 500 Kbps where Sprint Mobile Broadband Revision A is available (currently available on cards and select devices—see sprint.com/mobilebroadband for details).
- > The security of CDMA wireless technology authentication and identification system to prevent unauthorized users from capturing and decipher sensitive information.
- > A wide selection of compatible devices, including PDA smart phones, data cards and modems and laptops with built-in mobile broadband support

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