



Investing in Telecare - An Efficiency Measurement Toolkit

The Need

There is no doubt that our society is ageing and it is widely acknowledged that this trend poses significant challenges for the future. The Government is seeking to move this issue up the political agenda with its publication of the National Strategy for Housing in an Ageing Society; it is important that our members are equipped to deal with the challenges ahead and have detailed, accurate and geographically specific information to make informed decisions about the provision of services in order to react appropriately to the change in the demographic trend.

The Facts

- Official figures show that the proportion of people aged over 60 in England is due to rise by 6.1% between 2008 and 2029
- The percentage of the population aged 65+ living alone with long term illness is set to stand at 43.6% by 2025
- Total population aged 65 and over predicted to have dementia is predicted to be 51.1%

It can be seen that housing, health and care has become and will continue to be increasingly interdependent and as housing and ageing have become a cross-government priority with evidence suggesting that as we get older we will increasingly be living in ill-health, extra pressure will be exerted on already stretched care services.

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The Northern Housing Consortium's Integrated Living Network in partnership with Tunstall, the world's leading telehealthcare solutions provider, are offering all organisations a detailed breakdown of the prospective financial savings to be made by investing in telehealthcare to aid in the delivery of care and support services.

To remain in their own home and live independently is the future many older people hope for. It has been claimed that by making this possible, valuable resources such as hospital beds, will increase in availability and allow the delivery of care to be focused where it is needed the most, which is integral to sustain the necessary financial and human resource to address the challenges ahead presented by an ageing population.

By measuring the cost of telehealthcare implementation against the cost of care delivery at a primary source, we hope to identify where resources can be maximised and provide a bespoke analysis of your geographic area that uses legitimate demographic data that takes into account:

- disability and falls
- staffing costs
- equipment and installation costs
- monitoring costs