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VitalTech® Fights Back Against COVID-19 in Senior Living Facilities



Never before in modern history have seniors and healthcare workers faced the challenges brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic. The coronavirus, which causes the lethal COVID-19, spreads quickly within senior living facilities. In fact, the majority of U.S. deaths due to COVID-19 have occurred in skilled nursing and assisted living facilities. Not only is the enemy microscopic; it's also rapidly changing, which makes prevention and management more important than ever.

VitalTech® is helping facilities fight back with a hardware and software solution that helps detect possible symptoms. Through remote hardware monitoring devices, including a pulse oximeter and thermometer, symptoms of infection such as low oxygen saturation or fever* may be caught sooner, and therefore addressed immediately while limiting the spread of infection. This measure, along with sanitation and masks, has the potential to help save lives and reduce infection rates among senior living facilities.

VitalTech's software platform, VitalCare®, also helps resolve loneliness and social isolation brought on by COVID-19. It allows patients to stay more engaged with their loved ones through a senior-friendly smart tablet. The tablet's interface allows for video calling, texting, and messaging so that every smile can be shared.

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For a limited time, VitalTech is offering 90 days of free VitalCare access to help combat COVID-19 and keep seniors engaged. To learn more about this ready-to-deploy offer, please contact Mike Webster at mwebster@vitaltech.com.

*According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, COVID-19 symptoms include a temperature over 100.4 degrees Farenheit, and a blood oxygen saturation of less than 95%.