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The Tunstall remote patient monitoring and management platform is a comprehensive and versatile telehealth solution that can be deployed quickly and easily to help you protect vulnerable patients – and your staff

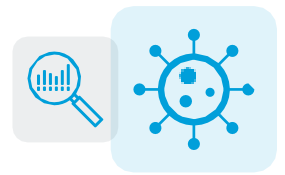


With forecasts of unprecedented pressure on the NHS this winter, the role of robust telehealth solutions has never been better recognised – nor the need for them more acute.

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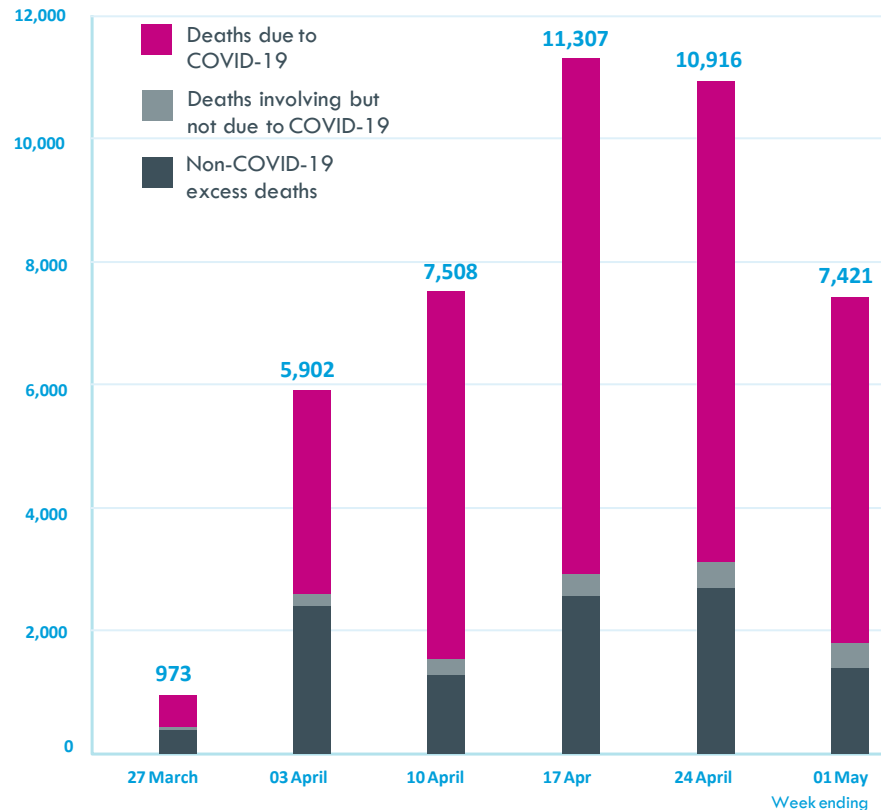
COVID-19 peak: what did we learn?



COVID-19 first peak – excess deaths

Weekly deaths above 5-year average in England and Wales

Source: Office for National Statistics – Analysis of death registrations



Deaths in hospital

DECREASED by **8,000**

20.9%

Deaths in care homes

INCREASED by **11,000**

60.5%

Deaths in private homes

INCREASED by **8,000**

42.6%

- During the peak of lockdown, a significant proportion of excess deaths in England and Wales were not from COVID-19 – possibly due to the lack of availability of routine care for long-term conditions and/or a resistance to seeking acute care.
- Increased deaths occurred not in the acute-care setting, but in the community – the majority in residential care homes.



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There is increasing awareness of the negative impact of COVID-19 on mental health and wellbeing^{4,5}

 People with
 LTCs nearly **2x**
 as likely to report
 having difficulty coping*⁴
46% worry
 about
 exacerbating
 existing mental
 health conditions⁴


The Centre for Mental Health recommends proactive mental health support⁵ for specific groups, including:

 Those with
 existing mental
 and physical
 health conditions

 Those treated
 for COVID-19
 in ICU

“Additional mental health support is also needed for people with long-term physical and neurological conditions whose mental health has worsened during the pandemic.”⁵

LTC: Long-term condition
 * Compared to the overall population (26% vs 14%)

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A COVID-19 winter: a compelling case for telehealth



Telehealth programmes that enable remote patient monitoring protect the wellbeing of vulnerable patients without the need for face-to-face contact with primary or secondary care teams. They are proven effective for:

- Improving outcomes in patients with long-term conditions, empowering them to take responsibility for managing their care and reducing the risk of emergency hospitalisations
- Monitoring at-risk patients in the community for physical or mental health issues
- Enabling faster discharge of patients from hospital and reducing the risk of readmission by providing continued monitoring and management in the community



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The use of Digital Health Technology to support patients is a key part of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) standard operating procedure: Community Health Services.

Vicki Slade
Digital Health Lead, Cornwall
Partnership NHS Foundation Trust



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This remote monitoring approach is helping us during the pandemic, but will also enable us to provide more proactive care over the longer term, improving the wellbeing of residents and helping to reduce the pressure on primary and secondary care.

Joanne Dorsman
Bolton NHS Foundation Trust



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Remote patient monitoring appears to be an effective approach for managing COVID-19 symptoms at home.¹

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This program provided a safe and satisfying experience for patients while minimizing COVID-19 exposure and in-person healthcare utilization.¹



Telehealth with remote patient monitoring improves outcomes and drives efficiencies in the management of patients with long-term conditions living at home or in care. It is now also being successfully used to monitor vulnerable patients for signs of infection and to manage those infected with COVID-19 in the primary-care setting.¹



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The Government has announced an additional £588 million, available to CCGs via the NHS until 31st March 2021, to help cover the cost of recovery and support services for up to six weeks following discharge from hospital.¹

A screenshot of an NHS document. At the top left is the HM Government logo, and at the top right is the NHS logo. The main title is 'Hospital Discharge Service Requirements' in blue. Below it, in larger blue font, is 'CCGs & LOCAL SYSTEM COMMISSIONERS'. Underneath is the question 'What will I do differently?' followed by a yellow redaction bar. A bullet point below the redaction reads: 'Support greater use of personal health budgets and individual service funds to support mainstream care at home, provided by directly employed carers.' The bottom of the document features a grey silhouette of a mountain range.

HM Government

NHS

Hospital Discharge Service Requirements

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What will I do differently?

- Support greater use of personal health budgets and individual service funds to support mainstream care at home, provided by directly employed carers.

Graphic adapted from: *Hospital discharge service requirements: action cards for staff.*
Available to download from <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/hospital-discharge-service-action-cards>



A COVID-19 winter: a compelling case for Tunstall



Trusted by providers and patients around the world and successfully used by NHS Trusts for a variety of needs, Tunstall offers a proven, easy-to-use and versatile telehealth solution with remote patient monitoring (RPM) and management.

While many systems look at individual conditions, Tunstall's RPM platform can be personalised to monitor underlying health issues with complex comorbidities – and has the flexibility to incorporate screening for any emerging risk to physical and/or mental wellbeing.

Backed by our experienced UK-based Workflow Consulting Team, dedicated programmes can be developed and deployed quickly, and scaled and adapted responsively according to clinical need, seasonal and environmental risks, and technological innovation.



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Device

Tried and trusted platform



informed by insights and learnings from over

12 countries and
10,000 users
(patients and clinicians)



Effective in monitoring and management of vulnerable patients:



- Long-term conditions (LTCs)
- Complex comorbidities
- Infection risk



Workflow consulting, system integration and ongoing support

from our experienced clinical and technical teams



Personalised, holistic solutions

monitor overall patient wellbeing rather than a single condition



Versatile, scalable and responsive

Tunstall's RPM platform can be deployed rapidly with remote updates that are quick and easy to implement



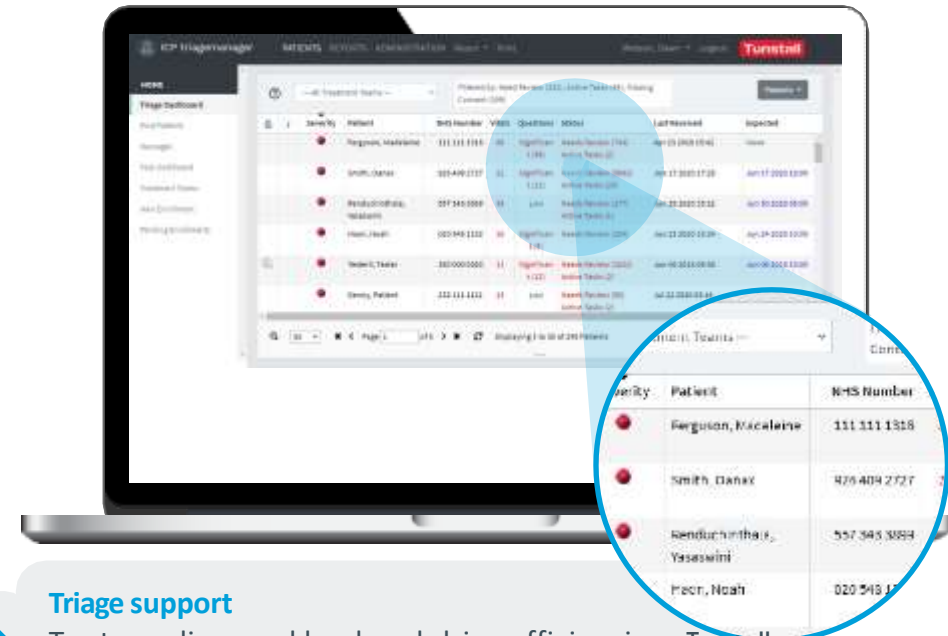
You can be confident in the proven Tunstall remote patient monitoring and management platform – and there is still time to implement a programme to support and protect your patients and staff this winter.





Triagemanager enables remote monitoring, risk stratification and management of patients by your clinical and service teams with:

- Customised or pre-approved questionnaire templates for:
 - Long-term conditions such as COPD, asthma, heart failure and diabetes
 - Existing or potential physical and mental comorbidities
 - Symptoms of infection (COVID-19, seasonal flu, norovirus, other)
 - Recovery of patients discharged into the community after hospitalisation
 - Mental health conditions, including eating disorders and loneliness
- Traffic-light prioritisation system that triages patients, enabling users to identify those most in need of intervention
- Video-conferencing and bi-directional messaging to allow direct communication without the need for face-to-face contact
- Library of educational content that can be selected and made available to patients to improve their awareness and responsibility for self-management



Triage support
To streamline workload and drive efficiencies, Tunstall can complete technical triage to understand missed readings or lost contact from patients

New questionnaire templates for customisation include:

- Monitoring mental wellbeing of patients
- Monitoring for COVID-19 symptoms
- Monitoring recovery of COVID-19 survivors
- Monitoring for seasonal flu symptoms



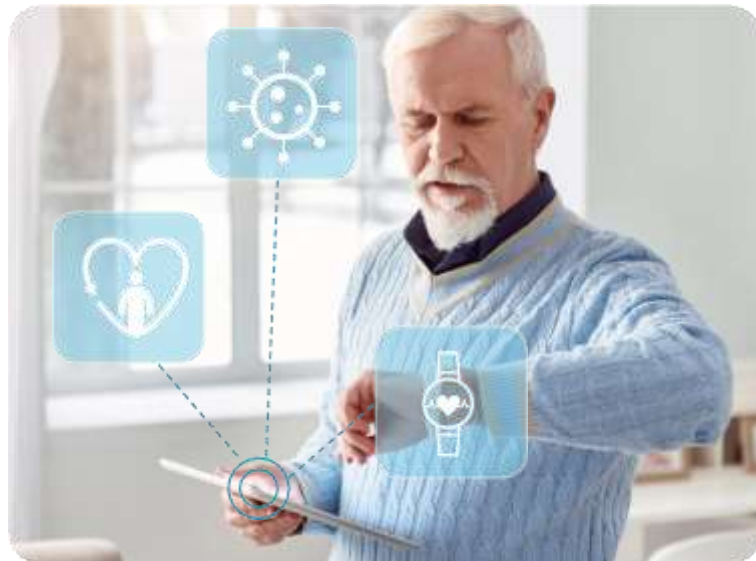
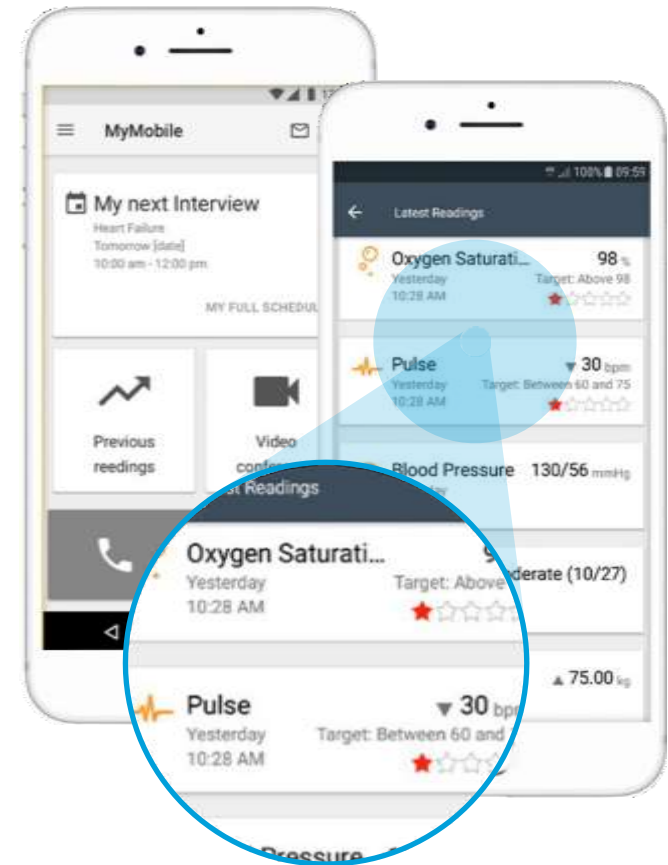
myMobile

single-user app developed for individuals in the community



myMobile is an easy-to-use and intuitive app that enables patient engagement in the management of long-term conditions, comorbidities and risk factors.

- Versatile, easy-to-adopt system that uses:
 - Patient's own device(s) or supplied tablet to host the app
 - Patient's own smart watch or supplied best-in-class peripherals to record vital signs
- Customised health questionnaires that capture clinical and other wellbeing information not recorded by peripheral devices
- Video-conferencing and bi-directional messaging to allow direct communication without the need for face-to-face contact
- Educational content and engagement in recording relevant measures encourage patient awareness of factors impacting their condition and increased responsibility for self-management



No Wi-Fi required

myMobile is supported by Android OS and iOS devices and operates with 3G, 4G or Wi-Fi connectivity



Personalised, holistic solutions

Single app monitors overall patient wellbeing rather than single condition

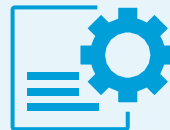


myKiosk

multi-user app developed for group-living environments, such as care homes

myKiosk is an intuitive multi-user app, specifically designed to monitor residents in group-living environments, and ideal for use in care homes. It is well established that care-home residents are particularly at risk from seasonal infections, and that the impact of COVID-19 has been devastating on this vulnerable population.¹

- Staff gain increased awareness of residents' health after training on best practice for managing infection risk, with an easy-to-use app that records:
 - Vital signs from Bluetooth-enabled monitoring devices
 - Observations from other questionnaire-based health measures
- Data is automatically transmitted to Triagemanager, where the level of risk and need for intervention are assessed by clinical staff without the need for face-to-face contact, and potentially reducing the need for acute-care admissions
- Data is also collated for the home, providing a clear picture of each resident's health as a valuable reference for discussion with other medical professionals, such as GPs



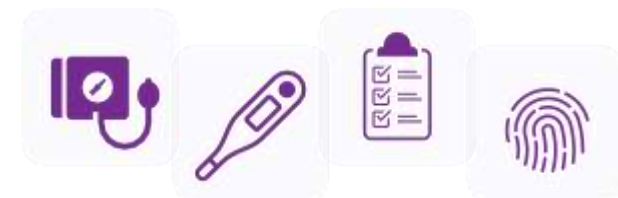
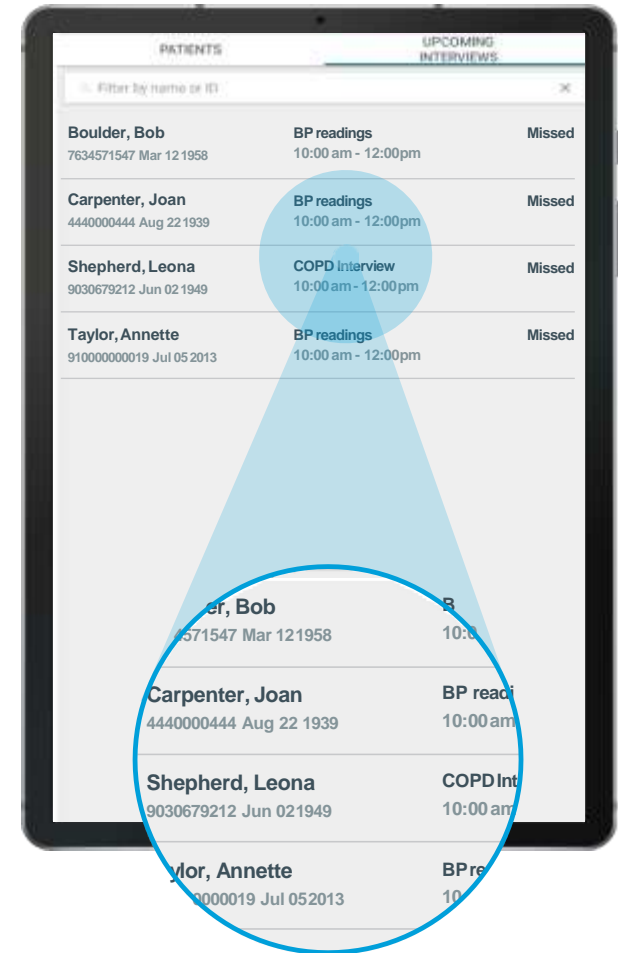
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Case study: Remote patient monitoring for eating disorders using myMobile and Triagemanager™

The challenge

Children with eating disorders would normally receive clinic-based care, but with the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, an alternative approach was needed.



Background

Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust has a well-established Digital Health Service which provides remote patient monitoring to patients with respiratory and cardiac conditions using Tunstall Triagemanager and myMobile.

The Trust's eating disorder service offers treatment and support to children over the age of 11 with a range of eating disorders including Anorexia Nervosa, Bulimia Nervosa and Restrictive Eating Disorder. The normal care pathway includes children attending clinics for monitoring of their vital signs and symptoms, however, due to the pandemic and the risks to patients and staff, this was no longer possible.

What we did

Tunstall worked with the Trust to introduce remote patient monitoring, using the myMobile app and Triagemanager software. A special health interview was developed in conjunction with the Tunstall Clinical Team, based on the Junior MaRSiPAN (Management of Really Sick Patients with Anorexia Nervosa) risk assessment framework. Once a week, patients use devices to take their vital signs (blood pressure, weight and temperature) and answer symptom-related questions. Through a patient dashboard and alert system, Triagemanager enables clinicians to monitor progress and prioritise patients for intervention.



Results

32* high-risk caseload patients have already been referred, and feedback from clinicians is very positive. Outcomes are expected to include:



The children we support are extremely vulnerable, and any delay or interruption to the treatment they receive could have serious implications for their recovery. Being able to deploy a solution so rapidly to enable us to continue helping them has been a real relief; it's been amazing just how quickly we've been able to adapt.

Michele Boyce Service Lead Nurse, Kernow Health

* Figure correct as of May 2020



Case study: Safeguarding care home residents and professionals using myKiosk and Triagemanager™

The challenge

Care-home residents are at particularly high risk during the COVID-19 pandemic. Bolton NHS Foundation Trust and Bolton Clinical Commissioning Group needed a way of delivering quality care while minimising the risk to residents and staff.



The COVID-19 crisis meant it became critical to look at ways we could use technology to deliver more care without face-to-face contact. We have accelerated the transformation of our model of care, and the aim is to change working practices for the long term, improving outcomes using technology and multi-disciplinary teams.

Paul Beech Head of Strategic Commissioning, Bolton Clinical Commissioning Group

What we did

The Tunstall team worked with care-home staff to train them on the system and to measure vital signs using Bluetooth-enabled peripheral devices.

34* care homes in the area have been provided with tablets loaded with myKiosk, along with peripheral medical devices



Thermometers



Pulse oximeters and blood pressure monitors



Staff use the myKiosk tablet to record residents' vital signs and help them to answer questions about their health and symptoms using the touch screen. The information is then monitored via Triagemanager, and results which breach the parameters set for that patient raise an alert. This enables Advanced Nurse Practitioners to review the data and make an informed decision regarding next steps in the patient's care.

Results

The Tunstall Triagemanager and myKiosk system is enabling closer monitoring of vulnerable residents; care-home staff have been upskilled and the need for clinical staff attendance has been reduced. It is also helping clinicians to prioritise residents' care, as the system clearly identifies those most in need of interventions.

The success of the programme will be measured over time, with metrics such as reduced ambulance call-outs, resident outcomes and the impact on caseload management.



The systems give us objective information to support effective clinical decision-making. This remote monitoring approach will help us during the pandemic, but will also enable us to provide more proactive care over the longer term, improving the wellbeing of residents and helping to reduce the pressure on primary and secondary care.

Joanne Dorsman Bolton NHS Foundation Trust

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Summary



This winter will be challenging, but there is still time to protect vulnerable patients and your staff with the Tunstall remote patient monitoring and management platform that is trusted around the world to ensure quality care.

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