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Subject: County develops breakthrough Foster Care App for easy info access and care management

Hello,

Ventura County, Calif., in partnership with the Network of Care, has developed a remarkable new application to keep foster parents better informed and significantly improve care management for foster kids. It's called the [Network of Care for Foster Care](#).

Foster parents and others caring for foster kids now can easily access medical records and other critical information about the foster child directly on their cell phone or computer.

"It's like a little miracle," said Ventura County foster parent Anthony Brennan. "It's great. It's fabulous. Best thing that's ever happened to foster families."

"This is an electronic health application for caregivers to equip them with knowledge and information around a child that is placed in their homes so they can best care for that child," said Barry Zimmerman, director of the Ventura County Human Services Agency. "We have separated systems now between the child welfare system and the healthcare system. This technology now puts in the palm of the hand of a caregiver those two systems, with all the information.

"The ability to bring diverse information systems together into one simple and easy tool is wonderful and so beneficial to foster parents and, ultimately, for the care of foster children," said Zimmerman. "Additionally, to equip the tool with a knowledge bank and Service Directory through the Network of Care enriches the tool beyond making it meaningful and practical. Trilogy masterfully took our vision and made it a reality."

The Network of Care for Foster Care also can be used by key individuals in various departments that touch the lives of foster kids. This unique and fully secure system represents a significant breakthrough in coordinating care.

[Watch Mayde Gomez's report on KABC-TV about this easy-to-use Web app.](#)

The Foster Health Link, or Personal Health Record, is a key aspect of the Network of Care for Foster Care. It was developed by Trilogy Integrated Resources, creators of the highly successful, nationwide Network of Care program. Trilogy worked under the direction of Zimmerman and the Ventura County team to develop the Foster Health Link.

Now that the Network of Care for Foster Care has been successfully launched in California, it is ready to be replicated to any jurisdiction in the country. If you have any questions or would like a more in-depth demonstration of how the Network of Care works, please contact Bruce Bronzan at Bruce@trilogyir.com or (415) 458-5900.

Thank You,

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