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Hello,

The award-winning Network of Care Web site has developed a remarkable new application to significantly improve care management for foster children. The key to this effort is a breakthrough process of electronic care management through a Personal Health Record called the Foster Health Link. [Watch a short YouTube demo now.](#)

Piloted in Ventura County, Calif., the Foster Health Link enables foster parents and other care managers to easily access medical records and other critical information about the foster child directly on their cell phones or computers. The Foster Health Link resides within a fully secure online environment, with access controlled by the county. That means the Foster Health Link can serve as a virtual-care management tool that transcends both agency boundaries and geography.

“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.”

Watch Mayde Gomez's report on KABC-TV about this easy-to-use Web app.

Now that the [Ventura County 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.

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