

As of early September 2021, funding for communicative technology has been approved for more than 150 nursing homes in the State of Washington, totaling over \$415,000. Recognizing that visitor restrictions may be difficult for residents and families during COVID-19, CMS developed a special application template for requests to use CMP reinvestment funds to provide nursing home residents with adaptive communicative technologies. The funds can be used to purchase devices such as iPads and tablets as well as accessories like protective covers, headphones, and device cleaning and disinfectant products.

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CMP Program Manager Melissa Lawton shares, “This funding for communicative technology truly has helped make nursing home residents lives better. Video chats with family members have been so important during the unprecedented time of COVID-19. This program allowed residents to communicate with their families and bring families together, wherever they may physically located. These devices also enabled residents to have telehealth visits with medical providers to assist in keeping them safe and healthy.”