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Med Beat: National telemedicine to bring services to Virginia nursing homes

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A national provider of telemedicine services announced Tuesday that it will offer its services in several Virginia nursing homes with the goal of keeping residents from unnecessary hospitalizations.

TripleCare plans by year-end to bring virtual physician supported services to three of Commonwealth Care of Roanoke facilities: Radford Health and Rehab Center, Abingdon Health and Rehab Center and Carriage Hill Health and Rehab Center in Fredricksburg.

TripleCare's physicians will be able to connect to Commonwealth Care's patients during overnights and weekends when the facilities' physicians are not on site. A news release said TripleCare with the support of the facilities' nursing staff will be able to determine whether patients can be treated in place or should be transfered to a hospital.

Commonwealth Care provides rehabilitation, long-term, respite and memory care in 12 facilities in Virginia.

TripleCare is a New York-based provider of telemedicine to 70 skilled nursing facilities in a dozen states.

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