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Brightree Announces Access to CommonWell Health Alliance Network for Home Health and Hospice Customers

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- First CommonWell integration with a member solely focused on post-acute care
- Enables Brightree customers to create a broader view of a patient's care by sharing information with more than 50,000 healthcare provider locations

ATLANTA--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Brightree® today announced plans for its Home Health and Hospice customers to access more than 50,000 provider locations and health systems nationwide via the CommonWell Health Alliance, a nonprofit national trade association of health IT companies, and through CommonWell to Carequality, a national, consensus-built common interoperability framework.

This represents an important step forward in bridging the gap between out-of-hospital care providers and the broader care ecosystem, solving for when providers lose visibility into their patients' care when they enter a post-acute care setting.

The power of CommonWell

Traditionally, home health and hospice agencies obtained critical patient health data manually from each of a patient's other care providers. This required significant resources and often resulted in large gaps in patients' records, hindering the speed and quality of care patients received.

Through CommonWell, Brightree Home Health and Hospice customers will be able to quickly and easily retrieve documents and data from a patient's previous hospital and physician visits within their EMR solution. They can also share patient updates with physicians and other providers in the CommonWell network who serve that patient. This seamless information exchange will help home health and hospice agencies improve their efficiency, as well as patients' care coordination and quality of care.

"What this amounts to is a smoother journey for patients moving from care setting to care setting, which is traditionally difficult to navigate," said Nick Knowlton, Brightree vice president of Business Development and CommonWell board vice chair. "Our customers can now help provide a better experience more efficiently, which can lead to improved outcomes. By including this service in Brightree's EMR offering, we are helping create a better future for our providers and patients."

"Our mission at CommonWell is to break down longtime technological and process barriers so individuals and caregivers can access important health data efficiently, affordably and securely," said Jitin Asnaani, executive director of CommonWell Health Alliance. "We're thrilled to be welcoming a new wave of home health and hospice providers into the network, and commend Brightree for its leadership in this space."

In a forthcoming Brightree survey, 60 percent of referring providers say they would select a post-acute care delivery partner based on their ability to interoperate with the referral source.

"Fluid data exchange is so critical to successful patient management across a system of care, and Brightree is leading in this space," said Denise Schrader, MSN, RN, NEA-BC, vice president of integrated services at Mosaic Life Care in Saint Joseph, Mo., a Brightree customer.

Availability

Brightree Home Health and Hospice customers can access the CommonWell Network starting mid-May. Customers can contact their Brightree account manager for more information.

About Brightree

Brightree enables out-of-hospital care organizations to improve their business performance and deliver better health outcomes. As an industry-leading cloud-based healthcare IT company, Brightree provides solutions and services for thousands of organizations in home medical equipment and pharmacy, home health, hospice, orthotic and prosthetic, home infusion, and rehabilitation home care. Brightree is a wholly owned subsidiary of ResMed (NYSE: RMD, ASX: RMD). To learn more, visit www.brightree.com and follow [@Brightree](https://twitter.com/Brightree) on Twitter.

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