Medicare Care Management Demonstration FACT SHEET	
Awardee:	HEALTH BUDDY
Location:	Oregon: Deschutes, Jefferson, Crook, Lake, Malheur, and Harney
	Washington: Chelan, Grant, Okanogan, and Douglas
	Nevada: Clark, Nye
Population:	2,500
Eligibility Type:	Beneficiaries with congestive heart failure (CHF), diabetes, or chronic
	obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) who are currently patients of the
	contracted medical groups and at high risk of hospitalization as defined by HCC
	risk scores and have not previously received a care management intervention.
Physician Incentives:	Each participating medical group is creating its own set of incentives for its
	physicians to actively participate in the program by prescribing that their patients
	enroll, as well as becoming an integral part of the care-management process.
Accreditation (type):	
Medication review and support:	
24/7/365 Nurse Line:	Yes
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### **Program Features:**

- Designed to create and reinforce a new relationship between physicians and their patients that is continuous and preventive.
- Uses a technology platform, the Health Buddy system. Patients receive a Health Buddy appliance that coaches them about their health, collects vital signs and symptoms, and transmits risk-stratified results back to multi-specialty medical groups.
- Physicians and nurses will use risk-stratified information provided via the Health Buddy system to identify problems early and ensure patients stay healthy.

## **Physician Communications:**

• A consortium of multi-specialty medical/physician groups, the American Medical Group Association, and Health Hero Network, a leading home health monitoring technology company that created the Health Buddy system. The program includes the use of the Health Buddy appliance, a secure database, and a patient-management interface for clinicians.

## **Field Operations:**

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## **Community Linkages:**

• Each medical group site will establish appropriate linkages to state and local and agencies and not-for-profit organizations

# **Health Information Technology:**

• The Health Buddy system that provides electronic health education and patient monitoring services.

#### **Intervention Levels/Stratification:**

• The Health Buddy system provides daily patient stratification based on patient symptoms, patient behavior, and patients' knowledge of their condition.

## **Contact information:**

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