GENERATIONS Homecare System

Coordinating Care During the COVID-19 Outbreak



How can your team leverage the tools in Generations to navigate care delivery amidst a COVID-19 outbreak?



Homecare is well positioned to lead during public health emergencies

Home-based recipients are at a lower risk for contracting COVID-19 but the vulnerability of the patient population means important steps still need to be taken.

"The home health industry has been treating patients and seniors in the safety and comfort of their own homes for decades."

- LHC Group Chief Strategy and Innovation Officer Bruce Greenstein



Helping you use HIPAA compliant technology to overcome disruptions

Patient-focused, HIPAA compliant, comprehensive tools, such as Generations, help care teams stay safe while delivering quality care during public health crises.



Transitioning to a remote workforce

Providers that use Generations are well positioned to move to a secure, HIPAA compliant remote work environment.

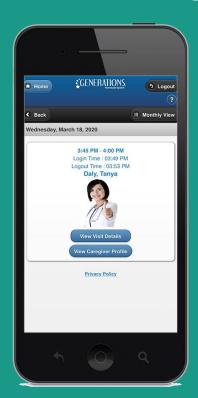
This is possible thanks to the following functionality and features, to name a few:

- Critical documentation is securely stored in the cloud
- Securely accessible when you need it anywhere, anytime
- Communication tools such as Call Center and Secure Messaging



Recruiting, onboarding and retaining new caregivers

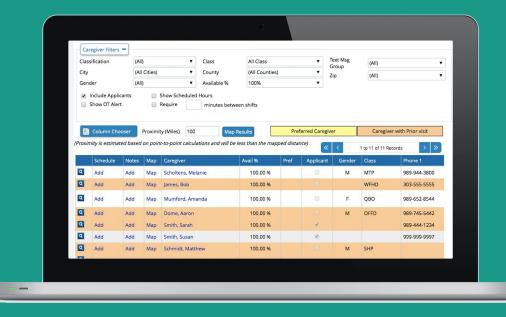
- Online Caregiver Application
- Web Interviews
- Caregiver Qualifications
- Caregiver Bio



Caregiver Bio



Caregiver Search - Match Applicants



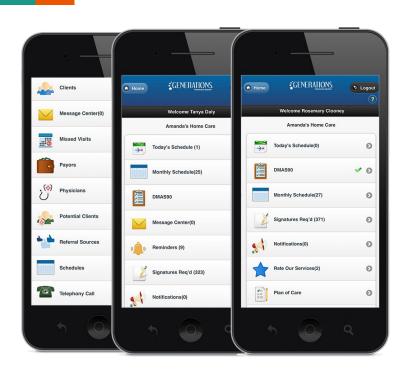


Communication tools for a remote workforce

- Document all protected health information (PHI) in Generations.
- Generations features the following essential communication tools:
 - The Call Center
 - Caregiver messaging
 - Visit Notes
 - Client and caregiver notes and attachments
 - EVV messaging
 - Mobile app for care teams



Mobile app for the entire care team



Mobile app for:

- Administrators
- Caregivers
- Recipients of care





Communication tools reduce the chance for infection

Caregiver Screening is a new feature.
 When implemented by agencies,
 Caregiver Screening will deploy
 questions to caregivers through
 Generations. Caregivers who do not
 pass the screening will not be able to log
 in or provide care until cleared to do so
 by an agency administrator.

Please note: caregivers should only complete the screening questions when instructed to do so by their employer and when presenting symptoms. Agency administrators should consult with their state labor departments to determine how to comply with wage and hour laws as they pertain to caregiver screening.





- Electronic Visit Verification (EVV)
 eliminates the need for paper
 timesheets.
- Care Plans are electronic and viewable in the client's home via the Generations app, leading to increased compliance and a reduction in office visits.
- **Electronic signatures** can be collected and submitted via the Generations app.
- Securely store and manage all critical documents.





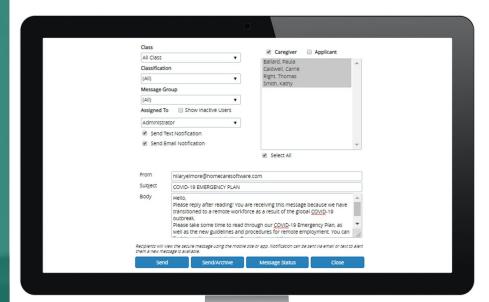


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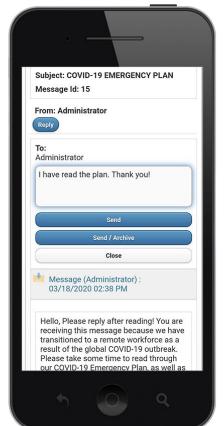


Secure Messaging - Administrator's View









Secure
Messaging Caregiver's
View

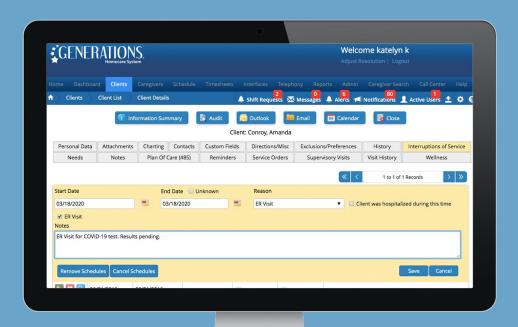


Tools for A Remote Workforce

- Care tracking
- Task management
- Continuity of Care

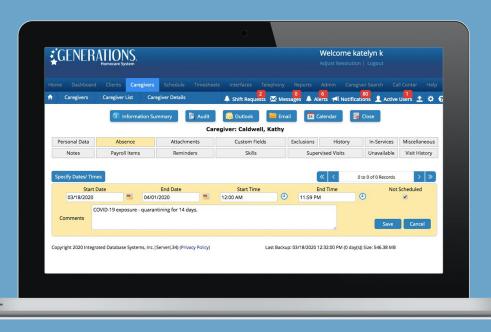


Track interruptions of service in Generations





Track caregiver absences in Generations





Using Generations to meet the unique care requirements of COVID-19: **Tracking Client Symptoms**



Wellness Questions



Using Generations to meet the unique care requirements of COVID-19: Disinfecting and Sanitizing

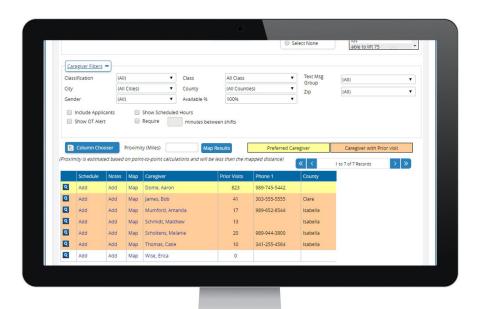


Required Tasks



Using Generations to meet the unique care requirements of COVID-19:
Continuity of Care

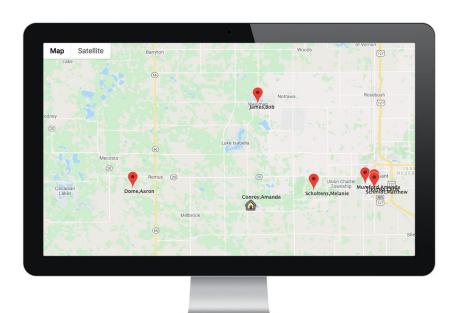
Caregiver Search





Using Generations to meet the unique care requirements of COVID-19:
Limiting Caregiver
Movement

Caregiver Search - Map Results





FAQs

Q: What tools in Generations should I use to care for an individual who has contracted COVID-19?

 A: Tasks around cleaning and disinfecting (there is a difference), Wellness Questions, Visit Notes, Care Notes, Client Needs (positive/negative for COVID19) and for the caregiver skill (negative or positive for any testable illness)

Q: How do I track and report on missed shifts/hours due to COVID-19 absences?

 A: Utilize the Canceled Shift Report and filter by date range, client name(s), date of cancelled shift, cancelled reason (in this case, COVID-19) and cancelled shift action (e.g. service declined, service rescheduled, etc).

Q: Can my team demo Generations while working remotely?

• A: Absolutely! Please contact your Generations Homecare Solutions Advisor and ask for a link to a Zoom video conference.



FAQs

Q: Are there tools in Generations that can help caregivers if a client or a client's family refuses entry into the home due to fears over COVID-19?

 A: Agencies can use Letter Writer in Generations to communicate to their recipients of care the procedures in place for screening caregivers for symptoms and exposure.

Q: Is the Generations mobile app set up to work well under circumstances where WiFi is under heavy use?

 A: While we do not have control over this potential outcome, if the internet does become slow or the connection intermittent we advise caregivers to use their cell phones as a hotspot.

Q: How do I quickly reach a Generations team member if need be?

 A: You can reach a Generations team member through LiveChat, which is accessible through Generations from any device.



Resources - a shortlist

- Your state's homecare association
- Homecare Association of America HCAOA
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention CDC
- COVID-19 Symptoms
- National Council on Aging <u>COVID-19 Resources for Professionals</u>
- Generations team members
- Help Center in Generations (for Generations clients only)



Basic steps to take - for administrators, office staff and caregivers

- Set a reminder for everyone on your team to wash their hands regularly
- If soap and water are not readily available use hand sanitizer containing at least 60% alcohol
- Remind your team to sneeze and cough into their elbows or into a tissue
- Remind your team to practice touching their face less
- Follow CDC recommendations stay home if you are sick



Tips for maintaining a safe workplace

- If not moving to a mandatory remote workforce, mandate that employees stay home if showing symptoms
- Frequently wipe down desk areas with approved cleaning products from the <u>EPA</u>. Focus on laptop, keypad, light switches, phones, cell phones, door handles etc.



Transitioning to a remote workforce

- **Establish** a remote work policy that covers items such as remote work eligibility and requirements.
- Consider forming a remote work leadership team responsible for setting up a virtual private network (VPN), ensuring employee computers are updated with virus protection, checking in with the team via video or chat, etc.
- Create a communications plan for disseminating critical information to staff, caregivers and individuals receiving care. Determine a cadence for sending updates and a distribution plan for getting critical information in front of appropriate parties.

Strategies for Success

Share a list of tips with your employees and recommend that employees do the following:

- Wake up at the same time every day and get ready for work as they normally would
- Use this as an opportunity for creative solutions to make the work from home days more comfortable and productive. Try "walking to work" - take a walk around the block before going into the house to start work
- Dedicate a work zone in the home
- Limit distractions
- Be in regular communication with colleagues



Questions?





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