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Last summer the Ohio Department of Medicaid (ODM) announced an initiative to connect nursing facility residents with health care providers and loved ones through the use of digital devices. The initiative uses a portion of Ohio's Communicative Technology Civil Money Penalty (CMP) funds to help nursing facilities finance and acquire up to \$3,000 worth of tablets, iPads and smart devices for resident to use for telehealth visits, family videoconferences and more.

To date, ODM received and approved more than 760 applications. More importantly, thousands of residents across the state are taking advantage of these devices to stay in touch with their communities and fill the void that comes with COVID stay-at-home safety precautions.

But we're not done.

CMP funds are still available to nursing facilities that haven't taken advantage of the program.

Applications will be accepted up through April 1, 2021. Simply contact us at NFCMP@medicaid.ohio.gov to request the form.

If your facility is approved (or already received approval), **purchases must be made and receipts submitted to ODM on or before May 31 in order to be reimbursed.** Your approval letter provides instructions for submitting receipts once the purchase is made.

Thank you for participating in this valuable project to improve the quality of life and quality of care for Ohio's nursing home residents.

Sincerely,

ODM CMP Team