Loved ones can stay home longer with CloseBy Network

CloseBy Network delivers an innovative solution for remote care giving. The technology allows family members and trusted friends to help elderly or disabled loved ones stay in their homes longer. Real-time monitoring gives you insights into their daily routine, helping you understand what a normal living pattern looks like, and then be alerted if anything changes.

CloseBy Network, built on the Control4™ home automation system, uses a combination of sensors and software tied to a web application. Families choose what to monitor, how to receive the information, and who should be sent alerts. Depending on sensor location, you can receive alerts when your loved one leaves and returns, gets out of bed, opens the refrigerator or medicine cabinet, and if he is moving normally about the house.

You can also receive an alert if there is no activity within a specified time, or if your loved one pushes the “contact me” button for help.

Features and Benefits

Secure and Unobtrusive.
You’re aware of what’s happening with loved ones while not interfering with their daily routine.

Monitored Only by Trusted Caregivers.
Through grouping, you control who sees information, what each one sees, and how they receive the information. For example, the primary caregiver may have access to all system information, but a neighbor helping out would only receive email or text notification if an exterior door was left open.

Quality of Life.
We all know there’s no place like home for an elderly loved one. But caring for them can take its toll. CloseBy Network lets the elderly or disabled continue to live independently, while their families share the caretaking responsibilities between siblings, children, church members, paid professionals, neighbors and other caregivers included in the care network.

Easy to Use.
Your loved one doesn’t need to change his behavior or learn a new system for both of you to enjoy the benefits of CloseBy Network.

Reduced Cost of Care.
For less than the cost of one month in an assisted living facility, you can install CloseBy Network and monitor your loved one’s activities in the home with messages sent by e-mails, texts, or the internet.

Flexible and Expandable.
Since CloseBy is built on the Control4 system, you can add additional features, such as automated lighting, to customize your loved one’s home and make it more safe.

Instant Alerts through E-mail and Mobile Texts.
You choose what you want to be notified about. Receive instant alerts through e-mail or via text on your mobile phone when activity or lack of activity takes place. Daily or weekly reports are available on-line or can be set to send via e-mail.
Wireless Motion Sensor
A motion sensor, placed in the hallway or kitchen for example, will help you monitor if your loved one is up and moving around on their regular schedule.

Chair Occupancy Sensor
Place the chair occupancy sensor in a favorite chair to know when your loved one is present in that room and if he is moving about the home in a normal pattern.

Bed Occupancy Sensor
When you install the bed occupancy sensor, you'll be able to track if your loved one is getting regular sleep.

Multi-purpose Contact/Temperature Sensor
When placed next to the stove, this sensor lets you track its temperature and be notified if the stove has been left on for a defined period of time. This sensor can also help you monitor if there's a sudden temperature fluctuation in the home (e.g., onset of winter, heat wave, etc.) to be aware of any heating or cooling issues.

“Contact Me” Button
You can be CloseBy with a simple push of a button. The “Contact Me” button can be worn as a pendant or placed anywhere in the home so your loved one can easily notify you when they need your help.

Micro Contact Sensor
You can install these sensors on doors, windows and drawers. They let you know if medicine has been taken, if the refrigerator has been opened for eating, or if someone leaves the home.

Care Giver System Requirements

**Computer/Processor:** Computer with 233MHz processor or higher (Pentium processor recommended) running one of the compatible browsers.

**Display Minimum:** XGA (1024 x 768) or higher resolution monitor.

**Display Recommended:** SXGA with 1280 x 1024 resolution.

**Internet Connection:** Cable, DSL or other high speed connection. Dial-up will work but not recommend.

**Email:** Valid e-mail required if you want to receive alerts via e-mail.

**Browser:**

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**Text Messages:** Valid service plan with SMS Text Messaging enabled is required if you wish to receive alerts via text message.

**Note:** Ensure plans are adequate for notifications requested. Text messaging rates apply.