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## INTERLOCK HEALTH UNVEILS HEALTHDESK APP

The HealthDesk lets you survey nearby health care facilities to find the urgent care you need.

[Chicago, October 27, 2020] The HealthDesk app, enables users to quickly find appropriate health care facilities with available resources, saving time for patients, and resources for health care facilities that are overwhelmed.

In a very real sense, communities are playing Tetris with healthcare – trying to correctly route patients who have urgent healthcare needs to appropriate, available, healthcare capabilities. But healthcare is not a game, it's a serious matter, and many patients struggle with finding the best option.

Designed by a front-line emergency medicine physician, the **HealthDesk** addresses an acute problem in health care: too many people crowded into some hospitals, leaving patients waiting in the Emergency Rooms, while other facilities have empty waiting rooms. For some patients with specific needs, there may seem to be only one appropriate facility. Yet for others any number of hospitals would have facilities that would work.

With a simple solution, they can navigate to hlthdsk.com on their phone or computer. **HealthDesk** using their current location will identify health care facilities nearby. For every ER, **HealthDesk** can display data with regards to wait times and available facilities so users can make an informed choice for their healthcare.

Two elements create near real-time waiting room estimates: 1) crowdsourced information – anyone in the ER can help others by estimating waiting times, and 2) facility managers can sign up to provide more accurate information that will provide real time information.

To ensure accuracy in crowdsourced date, the location of the user's phone must match that of the hospital in order to submit an estimate, so that actual on-site information is used to update the current conditions.

For more information check out hlthdesk.com or contact healthdesk@interlockhealth.com.

The **HealthDesk** is part of the **Interlock Health** platform, which includes the only patient-centric personal medical profile that can be securely shared with any physician, anywhere. Called the HealthCard, it is a clear path toward a secure, cumulative personal medical profile that incorporates personal health information from disparate electronic health records.

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