



Winners and Shortlisted Entries

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"Digital technology takes many forms in social care. At its best, it is used to promote independence, understanding and ambition."

"As a software supplier, we always work to keep the people utilising care and support services at the centre of everything we build, so it can best support their goals and community."

"That is what this competition highlights so powerfully: the many ways people are utilising digital technology to live the lives they want, in a place they call home."

Lorcan Murray, Nourish
Digital Care Photography Competition
Sponsor and judge

Exhibition at Digital Care Summit London, Sept 2026
Left to right: Henry Thornton – CMM, Michelle Corrigan
- Digital Care Hub and Caleb Agyemang - Nourish

WINNER

The story isn't finished

By Tamas Roska-Csiki, Chamberlain Court, Hallmark Care



Shally Hunt, an author living in a care home, uses her laptop to continue writing her autobiography.

Technology gives Shally the independence to keep creating, recording her memories and sharing her story.

Judges' comments

"I love everything about this image, what it's saying, how it's saying it, the colours, the purpose, the positioning, the story. It all comes together to tell an incredible tale. Even the title adds to the impact!"

Lorcan Murray, Nourish

"This is a lovely picture that shows how tech is so essential to helping people live the lives they want to live at every stage."

Michelle Corrigan, Digital Care Hub

"This image depicts how technology can be implemented effectively to allow individuals to continue living the lives they choose."

Henry Thornton, Care Management Matters



SECOND

Rocking out at the silent disco

By Claire Roach, Winash Care Home

"Our photo shows how the use of technology can enrich the lives of our residents. We organised a silent disco as a part of our activities programme. Our residents loved picking songs and dancing around to the music."

"All the tech was provided by a local company and we believe that you're never too old to use technology to have fun and keep mobile."

Judges' comments

"This image ... tells the story magnificently, showing you how technology can support people to more than just live their life, but to relish it! The colour, the emotion and the technology come together to paint a vivid scene, plus it just exudes fun!"

Lorcan Murray, Nourish

"This photograph is so full of joy and life, it shows how great care can be."
Michelle Corrigan, Digital Care Hub

"This image captures the joy that technology can help to create in an individual's life."
Henry Thornton, Care Management Matters

THIRD

Official photographer

By Joanne McGeachin, Your Voice Counts



"Stephen has a learning disability. He asked Your Voice Counts for help to improve his digital photography skills. This led us to setting up a monthly photography group for people with learning disabilities.

Stephen is always the official photographer for Learning Disability Week in South Tyneside. He has done this every year since 2024. He describes learning disability week as his favourite week of the year."

Judges' comments

"I love the shot and story, and the broad understanding of what digital care/enablement means for people. The framing is fab. To capture behind the scenes, with the blurred background of activity too takes a lot of skill. Great framing, in both senses of the word."

Lorcan Murray, Nourish

"I love that this is a picture which represents technology helping someone get the most out of life, not just being 'cared for'."

Michelle Corrigan, Digital Care Hub.

"This image clearly captures how digital technology can enhance an individual's life and empower them to contribute to their local community."

Henry Thornton, Care Management Matters



People's choice

Selected by delegates at the
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PEOPLE'S CHOICE

Choice and control

Jennifer Pearl, TLAP and National Coproduction Advisory Group
Photo by Marcia Williams

Passive active bike, to keep my muscles engaged in my legs. Eufy, so I can Hoover the floor using voice control through Alexa to do this independently. My iPad, iPhone and Apple Watch enable me to use mainstream tech for falls detection, health monitoring and to do my meetings and whatever else I would like to do!! And if necessary to call for help in emergencies. A wireless doorbell, to enable me to call my carer without having to shout! And can be used at night or when using the wetroom as well.

An FES machine (Functional electrical stimulation). This enables me to keep the range of movements in my ankles. This was programmed and set up by a physio and is a pocket-sized device that I use each day. Sentai, is a chatbot that I have been trialling at home. Aimed at people with dementia. I have been experimenting with it to understand what it can do.

I use Alexa extensively to do things such as turn on the lights with my voice; check the temperature in the house; and get updates on whatever I want.

The box on the table is a switchbot. This is a tiny device that is attached to the lightswitch that can turn the lights off and on through an app on my phone.

All the devices that I have give me more choice and control over my life and make me as independent as possible. Previously I would have had to ask my husband to turn lights on and off, to Hoover etc.



Shortlisted entries

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Confidence to live independently

Tajinder Bains, Quality Healthcare Solutions

Digital products give QHS service users the confidence to live independently. One example is the Lumiiio NFC band, now recognised by the NHS and Emergency Services across the region. The band offers a layer of security for people who struggle with mobility or live with dementia. It stores emergency contact details and health conditions, working in a similar way to the Health ID feature found on smartphones, a feature the older generation rarely uses. The band supports clients who have fallen, cannot communicate, or feel disoriented and unable to find their way home. This example shows one of many ways technology is enhancing quality of life and outcomes in care at QHS.

QHS continues to build strong relationships with tech companies that specialise in safety and support products for vulnerable people. These partnerships give our clients access to tools that improve their day-to-day lives and help them feel secure, independent and connected. Around 60 to 70% of our clients live with frailty, reduced mobility or cognitive impairment, which is why we introduced Lumiiio NFC bands to our care delivery. QHS helps service users understand the benefits of these bands, now widely recognised by emergency services.

The NFC tag built into each band offers a simple, effective safety measure for clients at risk of confusion or becoming lost outside the home. Clear instructions and a practical design make the bands a strong alternative to the Emergency and Health Report feature on smartphones, a feature many of our clients don't have access to. In an emergency, whether a client is injured, unconscious or needs assistance, the NFC tag gives first responders fast access to critical medical information and supports swift, accurate care. QHS remains committed to improving lives and safeguarding vulnerable individuals through new technology that strengthens independence, wellbeing and peace of mind. Our approach to integrating technology into care delivery has made a tangible difference and set a new standard for care in the region.



Choice and control: being able to decide how, when and where I do things

By Isaac Samuels, person with lived experience

Meetings From My Own Home
Care From the Comfort of Home
My Home, My Meeting, My Voice



Choice, control and digital tools

By Isaac Samuels, person with lived experience

Choice and control at my fingertips

My phone, my power

Technology that works for me