One of the nation's leading pediatric health systems is offering Texas families free access to its board certified pediatricians over a smartphone, tablet or the internet. Nemours CareConnect has been providing live video visits to families in five states, starting in 2015. The service is being temporarily expanded to Texas after the Office of the Governor of Texas suspended statutes and rules to allow healthcare providers in good standing in another state to practice in Texas in order to assist with the disaster response.

"The technology of Nemours CareConnect lets us remotely bring board-certified pediatricians right into Texas, where families need us most," said Carey Officer, administrator of telehealth for Nemours Children's Health System. "Our entire team is passionate about helping children, especially those facing such a heartbreaking struggle. We are so thankful that the Governor's decision allows Nemours play a part in helping families access the care they need right now."

Families can access Nemours CareConnect through the internet at www.NemoursCareConnect.com. If the family still has a smart phone or tablet available, they may download the Nemours CareConnect app on Apple or Android Stores. The normal charge for the service will be waived in Texas when families enter the following coupon code: Harvey.

Nemours CareConnect pediatricians treat newborns and kids online with a range of conditions, including vomiting and diarrhea, infected wounds and upper respiratory infections.

Nemours CareConnect is built on a platform designed by telehealth leader, American Well. The service launched in Florida in 2015. It later expanded to Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

About Nemours

Nemours is an internationally recognized children's health system that owns and operates the Nemours/Alfred I. duPont Hospital for Children in Wilmington, Del., along with major pediatric specialty clinics in Delaware, Florida, Pennsylvania and New Jersey. In 2012, it opened the full-service Nemours Children's Hospital in Orlando. Established as The Nemours Foundation through the legacy and philanthropy of Alfred I. duPont, Nemours offers pediatric clinical care, research, education, advocacy and prevention programs to all families in the communities it serves. For more information, visit www.Nemours.org.

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