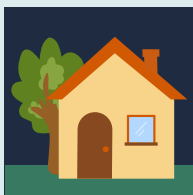


# The Value of HME & Services

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**Home Medical Equipment (HME) & Services Appreciation Week** honors the accredited companies & dedicated professionals across Minnesota who provide not just essential medical equipment, but also the services, education, & compassionate support that empower individuals to manage complex & chronic health conditions at home.



## Enabling Medical Care at Home

Home Medical Equipment (HME) is essential to enabling residents of Minnesota to receive medical care and support in their homes, preserving dignity, independence, and a higher quality of life;.

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## Serves People of All Ages & Health Conditions

HME is a lifeline not only for those recovering from illness or injury, but also for individuals living with disabilities and children with complex medical needs who rely on medical technology and supplies to manage chronic conditions and fully participate in their families and communities.

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## Prevents Hospitalizations, Maximizes Outcomes

HME empowers people to safely remain in their homes and communities—where they want to be—by preventing avoidable hospitalizations, reducing complications, and maximizing health outcomes across all ages and abilities

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## Cost-Effective Care that Helps People Thrive

Home-based care, supported by HME, benefits our entire state: it is cost-effective for payers, taxpayers, and people who use HME; eases the burden on hospitals and long-term care facilities; strengthens families by keeping loved ones together; and helps individuals remain active in their schools, workplaces, and neighborhoods



## 160+ Accredited Suppliers in MN

More than 160 accredited HME supplier locations in Minnesota serve residents enrolled in Medicaid, Medicare, and commercial insurance, providing essential medical equipment and expert support while meeting rigorous federal and state standards

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## Expert Care from Dedicated Professionals

HME professionals — operating in coordination with health care practitioners, discharge planners, insurance companies, and family caregivers — pour their expertise and compassion into making everyday life possible for people who face extraordinary medical challenges

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## Essential Partner Supporting Home-Based Care

November is recognized nationally as both Homecare Month and National Family Caregivers Month, underscoring the vital importance of the full home-based care continuum, of which HME is a foundational piece