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Joe Pereira
Weymouth Health Care Center

“I couldn’t live without ...”

PhoneDOCTORx may sound like the name of some superhero, but it’s actually a two-way telemedicine service. Then again, according to Joe Pereira, director of nursing services at Weymouth

Health Care Center in Weymouth, MA, “it actually is a superhero in a sense for long-term care.”

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