Navigating Patient Records

Quick reference guide

The Patient Medical Record

When the patient medical record is opened the Patient toolbar will display a tab with the patient name. Selecting a patient tab will display the patient’s medical record. It is recommended to have only one patient medical record open at any one time. When viewing a patient’s medical record the window is divided into three sections:

- **Patient Banner Bar** displays key patient demographic and encounter specific information for the selected patient medical record.
- **Patient Summary Page** acts as a dashboard for all clinical information entered into the selected patient medical record.
- **Patient Menu** is used to navigate through various chart components for the selected patient medical record.

**The Patient Banner Bar**

The Patient Banner Bar contains patient demographic and encounter specific information.

The encounter specific details include:

- **Encounter details**: the encounter type, start date and time, and end date and time.
- **Clinician name**: treating clinician for the encounter (as fed from HBCIS or ESM) and abbreviated role.
- **Location details**: patient location during the encounter.
- **Inpatient**: Facility, building, floor/level, ward/unit, room/bay and bed/chair.
- **Outpatient/Pre-Arrival**: Facility, outpatient clinic name (virtual location).
- **Emergency**: Facility, building, floor/level, ward/unit.

**Patient Summary Page**

The Patient Summary Page acts as a dashboard for all clinical information entered into the selected patient medical record. When the Refresh button is selected, information entered into the patient medical record will feed through and populate the sections as below:

- The **Allergies** section displays active or proposed allergies and the reaction symptoms for the patient.
- The **Alerts and Problems** section displays the diagnosis for the open encounter and all of the current alerts and problems recorded against the selected patients.
- The **Measurements and Weights** section displays any measurements plotted on the patient’s growth chart.
- The **Documents** section displays documents dating back up to five years for the selected patient.

**Patient Menu**

The Patient Menu is used to navigate through various chart components for the selected patient medical record. When a chart component is selected, the contents will display in the chart component details section of the window.
The **Clinical Notes View** component is designed to display all electronic and scanned documentation that has been entered into **PowerChart** for the selected patient’s encounter and for all previous encounters that fall into the clinical date range applied to the window.

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**Patient Information**

The **Patient Information** chart component is designed to provide a summary of information for the patient and is not encounter specific. This **Patient Information** component is displayed across 4 tabs:

- Patient demographics
- Other demographics
- Encounter list
- Provider summary