



New Features of ExitCare® Version 7.3

ExitCare System

“Current Patient” Tab is Now the “Demographics” Tab – The Current Patient tab has been relabeled as the Demographics tab.

“Agreement Between Patient and Healthcare Team” Now a Separate Section – The “Agreement Between Patient and Healthcare Team” portion has been modified and is now a separate section of the ED discharge instructions that is automatically added to each appropriate ED document.

Default for Patients Displayed on the Recent Patient Screen – A new setting exists in the Options System that allows Administrators to set the default for which type of patients automatically show on the Recent Patient screen, i.e., which radio button on the Recent Patient screen is selected as default. This option can be set for global, facility, or department level.

Additional Patient Gender Options – Patient Gender options on the Demographics screen now include Male, Female, Other, and Unknown.

Set Patient Diagnosis as a Required Field – A setting in the Options System (Settings | General Settings) now exists to make the Patient Diagnosis section on the Patient Demographics screen a required field.

Document Name Display – When creating or editing a document in the Options System, the document's name will now display at the top of the screen.

Date/Time of Service – A new field exists on the Current Patient (now called Demographics) tab where users can set the patient's visit date and time. If it is left blank it will fill in the current date and time. There is also a new setting in the Options system to require this field to be filled in. In addition, there is now a new section on the signature page called "Visit Information" that will contain the visit date (note that only the date will show on the signature page).

Signature Page Now Includes Hospital Department – The hospital department will now display under the new “Visit Information” section on the signature page.

"Automatically Show the Patient Import Screen" Setting Moved to UI Screen – The setting for “Automatically show the Patient Import Screen” has been moved to the User Interface (UI) screen. It has been incorporated into a drop down list of four choices of starting screens; clicking the New Patient button will also bring users to the selected screen. It includes settings for Global, Facility, and Department levels.

Save "In-Hospital" Drug in Macro – Users can now save drugs in macros when the drug status is "In-Hospital" (along with drugs having a "New" status).

Larger Additional Notes Screen on Documents | Questions Tab – On the Document | Questions tab, an "Expand" button has been added so that the Additional Notes editor displays in a large pop up window, allowing for more viewing area.

New Archive Screen Capabilities – The Archive screen has a new look and new features including: buttons for collapsing and expanding nodes (discrete patient encounters); new column headers for Visit Start Date and Gender; expandable records displaying details about the archived records; the ability to attach images and PDF files; and the ability to scan documents directly into the patient's archived records in the ExitCare program (such as a signature page with patient's signature).

New Patient Import Checking and Handling Process – When importing a patient from the import screen, if demographics data already exists on the demographics tab, ExitCare now asks the user if it should clear the current patient (by automatically activating the new patient button) or overwrite the demographics by using what is in the import. If the user chooses to overwrite the demographics, ExitCare will overwrite any demographics on the Demographics tab, but keep any drugs, documents, etc. previously entered. The new feature is controlled by a setting in the Options system.

ExitMeds System

Extra Security for the Drug History Tab – Drug History tab security was enhanced to prevent all users from potentially seeing all medications for all patients within a date range. The following changes were made to prevent a possible HIPAA violation:

Additions to the Security System under ExitCare Settings | History System:

- 1) A check box for Drug History which inactivates the Drug History tab, eliminating all access to the patient's drug history. There may be a reason to restrict access to the drug history for certain users although this solution would not be acceptable for most caregivers in the care of most patients.
- 2) A check box for "Export Patient Level History Only." This would inactivate the print, Excel, and HTML buttons on both the Drug History and the Archive Screen if data was shown for more than one patient. Once the data to be exported was restricted to a single patient based on parameters entered, the buttons would be enabled.
- 3) A check box for the ability to use all wildcards. If not checked, the person will be required to enter data in at least one of the four fields.

The Drug History search and display feature will function as follows:

- 1) If there is a direct match to data on a single patient, there is no change from the previous version to the operation of the search and display feature. The definition of a "single patient" would be a perfect "match" on the data fields entered. For example, if a site changed patient ID number with each admission, but kept the Medical Record Number the same, and the user only entered the other three fields (First Name, Last Name and Medical Record Number), then multiple rows of data, based on the three

variables entered would display – EVEN IF there were multiple Patient ID numbers for the patient.

- 2) If there is a match on the data fields entered to more than one patient (including a user entering one or more wildcards), there is no change to the previous version to the operation of the search and display feature, but an auditable event will be created based on the search criteria and the chosen patient.
- 3) When the print, Excel, or HTML Export icons are clicked, data will be printed or exported and an audit trail is created, listing the parameters that were exported and the logged in user who created the report.

Rx Form for Delaware - Star Roll Printer – A prescription form that fits on 3.5" x 5" roll paper, suitable for Delaware users, now exists.

All Drug Default Refills Set to Zero (0) – All drug default refills are now set to zero.

Print Only Drug Info Sheets From Drugs Tab – Security in ExitMeds now allows Administrators to set user rights such that users can print only drug information sheets from the Drugs tab for patients. This will allow users to provide patients with drug info sheets at the time a patient receives a new medication in the hospital and create an archive record with the patient's name.

Setting for View Only of ExitMeds Screens – Security in the Options system now exists that allows for a "view only" option for ExitMeds screens.

Security Setting to Prevent Selected Users from Accessing ExitMeds – Security now exists in the Options system that prevents selected users from going into ExitMeds.

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