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Magic and Client/Server Products and Services - NPR Report Writing



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Automating Discharge Prescriptions for your Physicians

How long does it take your physicians to write their Discharge Prescription Orders? Are they re-writing information that is already available in your Meditech system (Current Medication Orders, Patient Demographics, Physician Information)? Iatric Systems' new Physician Discharge Prescription (PDRx) module was designed to take advantage of your existing Meditech systems in order to provide efficiencies to your physicians while reducing medication errors, increasing compliance, and improving patient care.

PDRx is accessed via a PCI Data Source and provides a simple and efficient user interface for creating discharge prescriptions. Clinicians are presented with the current Medication Profile and are able to easily add/delete/edit orders without the need for redundant documentation. The end results are printed, legible, and compliant prescriptions for your patients.

If you would like more information on PDRx, you can visit our web site at <http://www.iatricsys.com/PDRx.htm>. You can also reply to this newsletter and we will have an Iatric Systems representative contact you directly.

Iatric WebCasts: We will provide the entertainment, the refreshments are up to you!

In direct response to customer requests, Iatric Systems will be scheduling a series of public WEBCAST demonstrations of our products. So, if you have been searching for something to make your life easier then **grab** a bucket of popcorn, a phone and a PC with web access and join us for a teleconference! These sessions are open to any Meditech user and provide an easy way to see what we have to offer. Whether you have one person or 10 people, we would love to show you our products! These demonstrations are live and our product specialists will be

available to answer questions after the session.

To register for an upcoming webcast, please send an email to info@iatrixsys.com. In the Subject line please enter "webcast" and in the body of the email please include your name, the facility you represent and your phone number.

DATE	TIME	PRODUCT
Tuesday, August 13	1100 EDT	Patient Discharge Instructions
Tuesday, August 20	1100 EDT	Medical Necessity Ordermate
Tuesday, August 27	1100 EDT	Electronic Notification System
Tuesday, September 3	1100 EDT	PalmCare
Tuesday, September 10	1100 EDT	Visual Flowsheet
Tuesday, September 17	1100 EDT	Iatriscan
Tuesday, September 24	1100 EDT	Physician Discharge Prescriptions

NPR Tips: SCH.APPT patient id which echoes a name

If you create a report in SCH.APPT with a selection:

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patient
EQ
ENTER PATIENT:
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The selection field works, but nothing gets displayed at the prompt on the R/W screen. This is disconcerting to the user and not typical of an ID field in MEDITECH.

If you have release 4.8, one solution would be to write your own ID program which returns something for display on the screen.

A sneakier method, which will work in 4.7 also, is to add an FCL to the c.patient field attribute to print the name to the screen at a hard-coded row and column.

Here is an example of the code to attach:

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FCL1=P(2,17,A:30TL)^#
ID.ARG=BR
IFE=1
REQ=1
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Unfortunately, an FCL on a R/W screen does not have access to the row and column of the cursor (as a CDS attribute does). Therefore, you will need to experiment with values for the row and column to print the name (which is in the variable A) to the right spot on the screen. In this example, the Row = 2 and the Column = 17.

The Good Old Days - A Fun Look Back at NPR

We thought it might be time for some summer fun, so we decided to take a look back at the evolution of the NPR Report Writer with our customers. At Iatric Systems, we spend hundreds of hours every week working to provide NPR Services to our customers. However, the NPR Report Writer has not always been as robust as it is today. Here are a couple of things the editor remembers from his report writing experience:

- Remember when you could only test NPR Reports by first attaching them to NPR menus?
- Remember when macros were not available and the only way to "program" was to create computed fields and line them up in order on the report so that multiple Magic statements could be run together?
- Remember when DSR was used as much as NPR?

We know that many of you have been writing NPR reports as long as we have. If you need a quick break from the grinds of programming and project management, take a few minutes and reminisce about some of the old quirks of the NPR Report Writer. If you reply to this Newsletter with your responses, we will pick some of the highlights to share in next month's Newsletter.

Web Attribute Classes Added for August, September and October

E-Learning, Web Training, Virtual Classroom.....It does not matter what you call it, Iatric Systems is proving it can be a cost-effective and efficient way to improve your Meditech skills. Due to high demand, we have added additional *Introduction to CDS Attributes* classes for the upcoming months. We are also working to expand our class offerings in the Fall.

I-Online classes are interactive and led by a qualified Iatric Systems instructor. The *Introduction to CDS Attributes* course meets four times over a two week period with each class lasting 2 hours. The shorter class times increase student retention of concepts and it also provides opportunity to practice concepts prior to the next class. Instructors provide free email support during the duration of the course.

If you would like to learn more about our I-Online Courses, please visit our web site at <http://www.iatricsys.com/webattcurrent.htm>. You may also reply to this Newsletter and we will have an Iatric Systems representative contact you directly.

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