



New Features of ExitCare® Version 7.4

ExitCare System

Excuse Form Maintains Fields – The Excuse Form maintains its fields (check boxes and calendars) when a "No Fields" version is chosen on the Language/Size screen.

Addition of Patient Height and Weight Fields for Script Writing Purposes – Fields for patient weight and height have been added to the Current Patient screen to assist in confirming that appropriate medication strengths and dosages are being selected on the New Scripts screen. The patient's weight and height will also display on several other ExitCare screens and documents, including the Patient Signature Page, the Medication Summary Page, the Drug Input Form, and the Drug Status Report. Note that these values are for informational purposes only and do not restrict a user's ability to write a script based on the patient's weight and height, nor does ExitCare include a dose calculator based on weight and height.

Additional Patient Gender Options – Patient gender options on the Current Patient screen now display Male, Female, Other, and Unknown.

Date/Time of Service – A new section on the Current Patient tab allows users to record the patient's triage/admit and discharge dates and times. Sections labeled "Visit Information" on the patient's Signature Page and the Patient Summary Page will display the visit start date and the discharge date and time. There are settings in the Options System that can be set to require the Visit Start Date and/or the Discharge Date fields to be filled in manually by the user. If the settings are chosen so that the dates are not required to be filled in, and the date and time are left blank by the user, ExitCare will fill in the current date and time in these fields when the Print/Fax/Email button is clicked.

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

Check Boxes for Printing Forms in English Also – Check boxes have been added to the Language/Size screen and the General Print Settings screen that allow users to print forms in English along with a foreign language.

Set Patient Diagnosis as a Required Field – A setting in the Options System now exists to make the Patient Diagnosis section on the Current Patient screen a required field.

Set Visit Start Date and Discharge Date as Required Fields – Settings in the Options System allow the Visit (Start) Date and the Discharge Date to be set, separately, as required fields.

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 where it has been incorporated into a drop down list of four choices of starting screens. It includes settings for Global, Facility, and Department levels. Clicking the New Patient button will also bring users to the selected screen.

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.

Patient Name and Other Data Display on the Choose Titles Screen – The Choose Titles screen now displays the patient’s first name, last name, ID number, medical record number, date of birth, and gender.

Addition of Telephone Number Column in Archive – The archive now stores and displays the patient’s telephone number. Note that it will store the phone number with version 7.4 and future versions, but will not display phone numbers from previous print jobs since the data does not exist for those previous printouts.

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.

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.

“Agreement Between Patient and Healthcare Team” Changed – The language of the “Agreement Between Patient and Healthcare Team” text has been modified so that it is advisory rather than an agreement; the title of the text changed to “Make Sure You;” and the title and text now appear in appropriate ED as well as other documents pertaining to a procedure, illness, or injury, where a follow-up is strongly suggested.

New ExitCare Audit Events – Two new audit events have been added to ExitCare:

Recent Patient - Restored

Recent Patient - Search

ExitMeds System

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 in the Options System now exists that prevents selected users from going into ExitMeds.

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 ExitMeds 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 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 Tab:

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.

New ExitMeds Audit Events – Eight new audit events have been added to ExitMeds, so that 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:

Drug Allergies - Grid Exported as Excel or HTML

Drug Allergies - Grid Printed

Drug History - Grid Exported as Excel or HTML

Drug History - Grid Printed

Drug Interaction - Grid Exported as Excel or HTML

Drug Interaction - Grid Printed

Drug Summary - Grid Exported as Excel or HTML

Drug Summary - Grid Printed

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.

Drug Allergies Search Screen – The Drug Allergies search screen now displays the full drug list only. The former top 23 drugs screen is not needed because the full drug list loads quickly in the SQL environment.

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