

Greetings Pharmacist Advisory Committee Members!

Thank you all for joining the October 2022 Committee meeting. We were all very pleased with the energetic chat and great discussions that were had during this meeting! Below is a follow up of our discussions, including a link to the recording. Please also find the presentation slides in the attachment.

As discussed, we have revamped the Mission Statement to remind our members of the commitment to engage in Pharmacy workflow discussions and to share user input through committee meetings, Development sprint reviews and other forms of communication and projects. We appreciate the positive feedback this change has brought as well. We are also in the process of bringing the [RPhAC Webpage](#) up to date with recordings and slides from meetings, as well as links to the follow-ups, so please keep a look-out for those!

I also wanted to remind you all that we are looking to expand the members in the group to anyone who works within the Pharmacy, including Pharmacy technicians and Informaticists. If you know someone at your organization who would be an asset to us and could also commit to the member responsibilities, please provide their information and we will get the New Member forms out to them.

Thank you all, again, for joining us at this meeting and we look forward to our 2023 meetings!

Link to Recording-

https://meditech.zoom.us/rec/share/jG_cT2IGNZm6hViREycUnLU5IIMHO4fhXFoIHTSvYhAzMPBgN0g0BnQuKU1TUzXB.7pzz76E21YOzepr5

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[October 2022 Meeting Slides](#)

Success Stories:

- Andrew Ventura - Augusta Health Care
 - Nursing Initiative was implemented for Pharmacy. Now, if a patient has an allergy to Penicillins, for example, the Home Med Technician or Nurse will document an Intervention that gets additional details from the patient. This then gets pulled to the Patient View Fragment for the Pharmacist to review. This lessens the need for the Pharmacist to search for additional information from the patient's chart.
- John Hereen - Valley Hospital
 - Went LIVE with the IVWMS Outbound Interface. This process went well through testing as well as the go-LIVE day!
- Kelsey Li - Humber River Regional Hospital
 - Recently Implemented custom queries for Materials Management in order to stay on top of drug shortages. The team members regularly update the queries which

get pulled into a report. This compiles information on shortage statuses, allocations, and alternative options.

Suggestions for Future Webinar/Seminar topics:

- Messaging across applications- Pharmacy specific messaging.
 - IDEA-11261-Add Messaging button to NPR Desktops: PHA
- Point of Care- Medication Administration
- Strategies to reduce alert fatigue- roundtable potentially
- Anesthesia Documentation interfacing to the eMAR
- Canadian-focused Immunizations
- ADC workflows/integration with Meditech.
 - Cart Fills vs Hybrid, vs all ADC.
- IV smart pump integration
- Roundtable on Immunization functionality

Overview of CLIN-214884

- Synopsis-
 - Currently, in Expanse we rely on the First Data Bank API to perform all Allergen checks. Sites would like a way to supplement the FDB content with additional Allergen checks.
 - Examples sites have cited in the US are Celecoxib with a reaction to sulfonamides as well as various excipient allergens. Canadian and UK Allergen content is not as robust and there are several instances where Canadian sites would like to add additional Allergen checks.
 - In prior releases, we did allow a Supplemental Allergen to be added to a formulary item. This functionality will be reinstated and be included in Expanse 2.2.25 and 2.1.37.

IDEA Corner

- IDEA-33216- Control Duplicate checking for PRN medications
 - Synopsis: This idea proposes that there should be a way to control whether or not duplicate checking applies to orders with a PRN schedule. The Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology released guides to help healthcare organizations conduct self-assessments related to optimizing their electronic health record. One of the guides concerns Computerized Physician Order Entry with Decision Support. A specific section of the guide notes that Duplicate order checking occurs for high risk medication, diagnostic tests, and procedure orders.
 - The consensus during the discussion was that there is no immediate need to exclude PRN orders from duplicate checking. Excluding PRNs from duplicate checking is not a requirement from the ONC at this time. Some committee

members noted using AlerSpace to reduce unwanted conflict checking or turning off duplicate checking for providers entirely.

- IDEA-4676- Downloadable MAR, not respecting page breaks.
 - Synopsis:
 - In Pharmacy, when the downtime MAR (Medication Administration Record) is scheduled to download to a folder that is on the background job client that the MIS report scheduled job is on, the issue is that upon printing the downloaded downtime MAR the page breaks are off, with large areas of blank space between patient data.
 - The consensus during the discussion was that through the use of various third party vendors the page break issue can be mediated.

Pharmacy in Expanse 2.2

- Highlighting changes within the Pharmacy Application when going from 2.1 to 2.2.
 - The required use of the Web Presentation Layer (WPL) is the biggest change for the Pharmacy application.
 - This allows the NPR and M-AT applications to run in a web browser. PHA has a similar look and usability as the thick client desktop.
 - [WPL- Get Started Guide](#)
 - Examples of specific changes for PHA in 2.2:
 - CLIN-125916:Pharmacy Conflict Checking Against Routed Drugs in Acute
 - CLIN-183310:PHA: Display of "On Hold" or "Future Hold" qualifier status on View Historical Links screen for home meds and hold/resume comments on View Order Data screen

Development Corner

** Please look to the slides for the additional information on these if needed**

Recently Completed:

- CLIN-217705- Allow Conflict checking Against Non-Formulary/Patient's Own Med
- CLIN-214884- Supplemental Allergen Checking in Expanse
- CLIN-153491- IV Workflow Management System (IVWMS) Inbound HL7 Interface
- CLIN-212786-AIMS File medication administration scans as unknown

In Progress:

- ORD-38591- Pha support for CCRx/LTC (Right Side/Outside dispensing Pharmacy)
- CLIN-170465 (main Epic): WEB Pharmacy (Expanse only, release and dates TBD)
- IV Smart Pump support with PCS

- Currently Vendor testing
- IDEA-14669- Send Unverified orders to Dispensing Machines
- CLIN-227112- Charge Reconciliation

Thank you all for your participation!