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Do you want to see more information about this?

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<u>A</u>ll drugs check

Check this drug

Look up this drug

DRUG #2

✓ Show a list

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ALERT AND INTERACTIONS SHOW A LIST OPTION (User's Manual, pgs. 1037-1038)

When you start a patient on a medication, declare a patient to have a new diagnosis, write a prescription, or enter a prescription into the Prescription Log, the program automatically warns you about drug interactions and drug-disease alerts, if you have chosen to activate these features. Prior to version 5.4, these warnings would appear one by one, and you would have to click on each warning before seeing the next one. Starting with version 5.4, you can choose to see all of the drug interaction warnings and all of the drug-disease alert warnings that are generated on lists. You can then double-click on any of the items on the list in order to see the detailed information. On the other hand, you can save time and mouse clicks by ignoring those warnings about which you are already familiar. Let's try this out.

DRUG INTERACTION WARNING

LEVOFLOXACIN

✓ Yes

- Press System\Medication Options and make sure that your Interaction severity is at least Mild or above. Press OK.
- Press Write\Medications and enter Kelly Erickson as the name of the patient.
- 3. Press UTILITY\Interactions and make sure that **Show a list** is <u>un</u>checked.
- Press ADD and add amiodarone as the one of her medications. Press OK.
- Press ADD and add levofloxacin as another one of her medications. Press OK
- 6. Note that a warning about this interaction appears immediately.
- 7. Press YES to read about this interaction.
- Press UTILITY\Interactions and check Show a list.
- Press ADD and add dofetilide.
- Note 2 interaction warnings appear on the list, one for amiodarone and one for levofloxacin. The one for amiodarone appears in red because it is life-threatening.
- 11. You can double-click on



either of these warnings, or highlight either one and press View, in order to read the detailed information about the interaction. It is recommended that you always view any warnings that appear in red, and it is a good idea to view every warning before deciding whether or not to prescribe a medication.

Note that there is an analogous setting for seeing Drug-Disease Alerts on a list: check Write\Medications\UTILITY\Alerts\Show a list or Write\Diagnoses\UTILITY\Alerts\Show a list.

Interactions

DRUG #1

VISITER ENHANCEMENTS (User's Manual, pg. 1043)

There are a few enhancements to the Visiter in version 5.4. The Visiter stays open while you are in the Writer, so that you can view the visits while composing your note. You can also change the name of the patient or the Return Interval for a visit for which this information has previously been stored erroneously. Let's check this out:

- Pressing Write\New Note\Note.
- Enter Kelly Erickson as the name of the patient.
- Inside the Writer, type in the following note: "John Doe came in today for a headache."
- Press F10 to store this note.
- Press System\Writer Options\Auto-Open Options and make sure Visiter is checked and press 5.
- 6. Press Write \New Note\ Note and enter Kelly Erickson as the name of the patient.
- 7. Click on the date in the Writer Auto Open Visiter window to open the Visiter.
- 8. Press View to see the contents of the visit.
- 9. Click on the Writer. Note that you can type into the Writer even though the Visiter is still open. You can move the Visiter window around on the screen with your mouse so that it doesn't cover the Writer.



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10. Note that the Visit refers to John Doe, not Kelly Erickson. You entered this note into Kelly's chart by mistake and want to move it into John's chart. In the Visiter Viewer, press Go To\Change\Patient.

- 11. Enter the Master Password.
- 12. Enter John Doe as the correct name of the patient for this visit and press OK. Press YES when asked if you are sure you want to make this change.
- 13. Note that this Visit no longer appears in the list of Kelly Erickson's visits once you leave the Writer and close out the Visiter. You still have a chance to undo this change before that point.

<u>Allergies</u>

C<u>h</u>ange

Diagnosis

Diagnosis

acne

multiple sclerosis

multiple sclerosis

Diagnosis Editor for KELLY ERICKSON

acne

callus

Chart Summary

- 14. Now press View\Visiter\View and enter John Doe as the patient.
- 15. Note that the visit now appears in his Visiter.
- 16. If you need to change the return interval, View\Go To\ Change\Return. Type in the correct Return Interval and press **OK**.

DIAGNOSIS EDITOR MANUALLY REARRANGE ORDER (User's Manual, pg. 1032)

You can arrange to have the Diagnosis Editor list patient diagnoses chronologically, alphabetically, or in the order in which the diagnoses were originally entered into the Diagnosis Editor by pressing Write \Diagnoses\UTILITY\Sort and choosing a different Key. However, you may wish to move certain important diagnoses to the top of the list, even if they are not the first ones alphabetically or chronologically, so that they are brought to your attention immediately when you view the list. Starting with version 5.4, it is easy to do this. Let's see how: 💝 Diagnosis Editor for KELLY ERICKSON All Diagno

- 1. Press Write\ Diagnoses and enter Kelly Erickson as the name of the patient.
- 2. Press Add and enter "Acne" as a diagnosis. Press **OK** to store this.
- 3. Repeat this for the diagnoses of "callus" and "multiple sclerosis".
- 4. Assuming that you have chosen a Sort Key of Diagnosis in Ascending Order, then these 3 diagnoses are listed in the order in which you entered them, in other words, in alphabetical order. But suppose you would like multiple sclerosis to appear at the top of the list, since it is more important than the other diagnoses.
- 700 callus 5. Click your left mouse button on the line which reads "multiple sclerosis". Hold the left mouse button down and begin to slide the mouse upward. You will notice that the cursor changes its appearance from an arrow to an arrow attached to a rectangle. Slide your mouse upward until "multiple sclerosis" moves to the top of the list. Then release the left mouse button. (You can move any diagnoses up or down on the list in this fashion).

Changes made to the order of diagnoses are specific to each user. If you change the order manually but then use Diagnosis Editor\UTILITY\Sort to rearrange the order, any manual changes you made to the order are erased. The program remembers the order of the first 100 diagnoses for each patient for each user.

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