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VERSION 4.9 RELEASED!

We are proud to announce the release this month of Version 4.9 of **Welford Chart Notes Essential, Professional, and SQL Version**. This new version has so many new features, we can't fit them all in this newsletter! Some of the new features in version 4.9 include:

- **@LastAssessment and @LastPlan Look Backward:** if the immediately preceding visit doesn't contain an assessment or plan, the program goes backward up to 10 visits to find the most recent assessment and plan.
- **Appointment changes tracked in Detailed Program Log:** if you change an appointment, the changes and who changed it are recorded in the Detailed Program Log so you can recover an appointment that was changed in error.
- **Appointment delete Provider transfers appointments:** if you delete a Provider, you can transfer that Provider's appointments to a different Provider.
- **Appointment merge patients:** if you inadvertently created 2 different charts for the same patient, you can merge their appointments into one chart.
- **Appointment recurring:** set up a series of repeated appointments over a range of dates (e.g. weekly).
- **Appointment report breakdown by date and Provider:** see how many appointments each Provider had over a period of time.
- **Appointment Report sort:** alphabetize results of the Appointment Report.
- **Document Manager Date and Time Created:** edit the date and/or time of the document in the Document Manager.
- **Document Manager Store:** store items in the Document Manager without sending them to a user's In-Box.
- **Generic Report Generator in comma-separated format:** export data in this format so it can be easily imported by other programs such as Excel.
- **Generic Report Generator print one line per patient Option:** print either one line of data per patient or multiple lines per patient to print all of the data.
- **In-Box Options: include HIPAA Acknowledgment:** choose whether or not to see HIPAA Acknowledgments in the In-Box.
- **Indications and Indication Warnings:** look up Indications for any drug, and see automatic warnings if you are about to prescribe a drug for which the patient doesn't have a recognized indication, to reduce medication prescribing errors.
- **Lab Book warn if not Active Option:** be warned if you are about to store a Lab Book result on an inactive patient, reducing errors due to specifying the wrong patient.
- **Medication Editor, Prescription Writer, and Prescription Log Diagnosis and ICD-9 fields:** record the diagnosis and ICD-9 code in each of these places, to show the indication for the prescribed drug.
- **Name Editor Activity Log:** keep track of when patients become active, inactive, deceased, etc.

- **Name Editor Next Code number:** have the program automatically generate the next sequential code number.
- **Provider Options ID and longer degree:** record the new National Provider ID, and longer degrees, for each Provider.
- **Provisional Note storage completes appointment Option:** when you store a Provisional Note, it marks the corresponding appointment as Completed.
- **Provisional Notes warn if being edited:** avoid having two users trying to edit the same Provisional Note at once.
- **Quality Measures:** analyze the quality of care in your practice; write your own quality measures, record the results over time, view the results broken down by Provider. Useful for pay-for-performance programs.
- **Security let users change their own passwords:** users can be permitted to change their own passwords.
- **Security password rules:** passwords can be forced to conform to certain patterns, such as a minimum number of lowercase, uppercase, numerals, special characters, etc.
- **Spelling Directory all users:** set the Spelling Directory once for all users.
- **Template show authors:** see the authors of shared Templates.
- **Visit Summary multiple per visit:** print multiple different kinds of Visit Summaries for the same visit.
- **Visitor amendments:** write amendments to notes after they have been permanently stored.
- **Writer Form View:** see the Writer as a form to be filled out rather than as a word processor; easier for novice users to learn.

JANUARY QUARTERLY UPDATE RELEASED

This month we are releasing the January, 2006 Quarterly update. The update includes new medications, diagnostic terms, drug interactions, drug dosing information, spelling words, drug-disease Alerts, Web Links, algorithms, medication test reminders, cross-reacting allergies, and dozens of new patient education brochures. This update has over 6500 drug interactions with over 2400 references, over 11,500 Alerts, over 9800 Web Links, and over 1350 Brochures, including new or revised Brochures on acne, adrenal failure, anorexia nervosa, basal cell skin cancer, diabetic neuropathy, herpes zoster, hyperlipidemia, juvenile idiopathic arthritis, lymphoma, mesothelioma, multiple myeloma, myelofibrosis with myeloid metaplasia, peripheral neuropathy, primary biliary cirrhosis, dapsone, fish oil, isosorbide-hydralazine, paricalcitol, pregabalin, ramelteon, tipranavir, and many others.

HOW DO I GET THIS NEW VERSION?

To obtain version 4.9 and the January Quarterly Update, you must be an active subscriber to the Comprehensive Support Package. If you have let your support package lapse and would like to renew and obtain the latest version, contact MEDCOM Information Systems at 800-424-0258.

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