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VERSION 5.0 RELEASED!

We are proud to announce the release this month of Version 5.0 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 5.0 include:

- **AllLab, @LabSince, @LastLab _RANGE Modifier:** include the normal range for lab tests when using these @functions.
- **@AllReferrals:** lists all Referrals the patient has had; you can use a variety of modifiers to control what information to include.
- **@DiagAllToday:** lists all of the diagnoses mentioned in today's note, even if inactive.
- **@Expander-:** if you follow the name of an Expander with the minus sign, just the text of the Expander is given, without a preceding boldface label with the name of the Expander.
- **@DaysSince, @WeeksSince, @MonthsSince, @YearsSince, @TimeSince:** when followed by a date in the past, these are replaced with the time between that date and today's date.
- **Appointment Auto-Open Option:** if checked, then whenever you launch **Welford Chart Notes**, it automatically opens the Appointment Scheduler.
- **Appointment Cards Recognize All @Functions:** when you design the text for an appointment card, you can embed within it any @function in the program.
- **Appointment Completion Left Without Being Seen:** if a patient leaves the office without being seen, you can designate this in the Appointment Completion field.
- **Appointment Previous Appointments in Descending Order:** when viewing Next and Previous Appointments, you can choose to see the Previous Appointments in descending (or ascending) chronological order.
- **Appointment Show Procedure Type Option:** you can choose to see the name of the Procedure Type in parentheses after the patient's name in the Appointment Scheduler.
- **Appointment Stay Open When Adding Option:** you can choose to have the Appointment Scheduler Add window stay open after you press **OK**, so you can continue adding appointments without having to press **ADD** each time. This is handy if your job is an appointment scheduler and you mainly add new appointments all day.
- **Attache Store Provisional Note Removes From Server:** when you store a note Provisionally while using the Attache, when you import that Attache back into the server, the note is removed from the list of Provisionally stored notes.
- **Automatic Error Detection and Correction:** the program automatically checks for possible corruption in your data and automatically corrects it for you when it encounters such corruption.
- **Diagnosis Chronicity:** you can specify whether each diagnosis is Acute, Subacute, Chronic, etc. The Parser can suggest the correct Chronicity automatically, and you can have the program assign Chronicities to each of your previously stored and newly added diagnoses automatically.
- **Diagnosis and Medication Find Means Like:** inside the Diagnosis and Medication Editors, you can find all diagnoses or medications on the patient's list that belong to the same Class as the term you type in (not just exact Synonyms).

- **Diagnosis Find Visits:** locate visits in the Visiter that pertain to the highlighted diagnosis in the patient's Diagnosis Editor, searching by meaning and/or by ICD code.
- **Enhanced Program Speed:** many low-level file operations in the 32-bit version have been sped up (such as looking for the next available patient number when adding a new patient, viewing Appointments and Messages, and many others).
- **Events:** create your own timed milestones in patients' lives (such as dates of procedures, hospitalizations, operations, etc.) and use @functions to calculate the numbers of them, time since they occurred, or paste them into documents.
- **Flowsheet Print with Word Wrap:** you can have Flowsheets print their data using word wrap so that all data are printed, not just a single line per item.
- **Generic Report Generator Screen – Print:** when you send the output of the Generic Report Generator to the screen, you can then print the data immediately without running the report again.
- **Image Utility Automatically Despeckle Option:** have each document automatically despeckled when it is put into the Image Utility.
- **Image Utility Movement Buttons:** move to the next, previous, first, or last image for a patient inside the Image Utility.
- **Indications Editing:** add your own Indications for medications.
- **Lab Book Fix:** rebuild the pointers to your Lab Book data if they become corrupt.
- **Lab Book Importer Send Warnings to In-Box Option:** have a warning sent to your In-Box that there are new Lab Book Importer items to view.
- **Lab Book Test Name Length Expanded:** test names in the Lab Book can now be 60 characters long in the 32-bit version and 50 characters long in the SQL version.
- **Medication Visits Find:** locate visits in the patient's Visiter that mention the medication that is currently highlighted in the patient's Medication Editor.
- **Name Editor by Birthdate:** locate patients by entering their birthdates rather than by their names or code numbers.
- **Name Editor Choose Main Name:** if a patient has more than one synonymous name, you can specify which of these is to be considered the main name (the one that appears on all program windows and printed material about the patient).
- **Parse Expanders Show New & Old Text:** when you parse an Expander, the program shows you the current text of the Expander along with the proposed new text that will be assigned to the Expander based upon what the Parser found.
- **Parser Prescription Writer Use Writer Provider:** when parsing text that generates prescriptions, you can have the prescription use the Writer Provider rather than the Name Editor Primary MD as the provider whose name appears on the prescription.
- **Parser Quick Summary Alert and Interactions Interrupts:** when the Parser Quick Summary finds Alerts and Interactions warnings, you can decide to have the most serious levels of warnings interrupt your work, rather than simply listing the in the Parser Quick Summary where you might ignore them. (You decide which levels of warnings are serious enough to warrant interrupting you).
- **Parser Quick Summary Alert and Interaction Colors:** you can specify that certain Alerts and Interactions above a certain level of severity be displayed in a different color so that they stand out in the Parser Quick Summary from the other Alerts and Interaction Warnings.

- **Prescription Log and Prescription Writer Auto Check Upcoming Option:** when using the Prescription Log and Prescription Writer, you can arrange for a button to automatically appear, reminding you that the patient is due for tests or procedures based on Rule Reminders, Datebook entries, and Flowsheet Next Tests.
- **Prescription Log Quick Refresh Option:** you can arrange to have program quickly refresh the Program Log.
- **Prescription Writer Multiple Practices:** you can specify multiple Practices (with different addresses) to be used with the Prescription Writer.
- **Prescription Writer Skip Printing This Drug:** after marking multiple drugs in the Medication Editor to print in the Prescription Writer, you can change your mind by choosing to "Skip Printing This Drug" before pressing "Print All".
- **Prescription Writer Zero Refill Exceptions:** you can specify certain classes of drugs which are to have 0 refills by default (even if other drugs have a default number of refills other than 0).
- **Procedure Code Report Jump to Print Settings Group:** adjust the print settings before printing a Procedure Code Report.
- **Provider UPIN:** record the UPIN number for each Provider.
- **Quality Measure Editor Copy Button:** copy the denominator of a Quality Measure into the Numerator.
- **Quality Measure Add to Rule Reminders:** convert your Quality Measures into Rule Reminders so you are reminded to perform these actions each time you open a patient's chart, thus improving compliance with these measures.
- **Rule Reminder Rules Expanded:** Rule Reminder Rules can have 3000 characters in the 32-bit version and 1000 characters in the SQL version, with up to 500 words.
- **Spell Check When Note is Stored Option:** automatically have the program check the document's spelling when you store the note.
- **Upcoming Reminders Report:** see a list of all Rule Reminders, Datebook entries, and Flowsheet Next tests that the patient is due for now and into the future. You can set up a Writer Auto-Open Window containing this information, and can import the information into the Writer using the @UpcomingReminders @function.
- **Visit Summary Store Provisionally:** you can store your Visit Summaries Provisionally, so that your staff can add any final information to them (such as the patient's next appointment or dates of referral appointments and procedure) before storing them permanently.
- **Visiter Double-Click Image to View in Image Utility:** if you double-click on an image in the Visiter, it opens the Image Utility with the image loaded so you can zoom in or manipulate the image to view it better.
- **Writer Form View Store Provisionally:** when using Form View in the Writer, you can choose to store you note Provisionally.

JULY QUARTERLY UPDATE RELEASED

This month we are releasing the July, 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 6600 drug interactions with over 2500 references, over 11,500 Alerts, over 9900 Web Links, and nearly 1400 Brochures, including new or revised Brochures on abatacept, alglucosidase, apomorphine, betamethasone-calipotriene, deferasirox, lubiprostone, nelarabine, ranolazine, rasagiline, sorafenib, sunitinib, transdermal selegiline, angina, depression, optic neuritis, osteoarthritis, parkinsonism, psoriasis, renal cancer, rheumatoid arthritis, scabies, and thrombotic thrombocytopenic purpura, and others.

HOW DO I GET THIS NEW VERSION?

To obtain version 5.0 and the July 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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