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TIMELY DISCHARGE SUMMARY COMPLETION IS CRUCIAL FOR ALL INPATIENTS. THIS ENSURES CONTINUITY OF CARE, DECREASES HOSPITAL RE-ADMISSION RATES AND PREVENTS ADVERSE EVENTS POST-DISCHARGE.

UHN DISCHARGE SUMMARY & ELECTRONIC MEDICATION INFORMATION TRANSFER TOOL (EMITT) APPLICATION

THE APPLICATION WAS DEVELOPED IN COLLABORATION WITH UHN CLINICIANS, PATIENT PARTNERS, PRIMARY CARE, AND THE TORONTO CENTRAL LOCAL HEALTH INTEGRATION NETWORK. IT SUPPORTS COLLABORATIVE PRACTICE AND IMPROVED VALUE FOR PRIMARY CARE.

THIS GUIDE PROVIDES A GENERAL OVERVIEW OF MEDICATION RECONCILIATION AND EMITT FUNCTIONALITY WITHIN THE DISCHARGE SUMMARY APPLICATION
APPLICATION ACCESS

1. Log in to EPR using your EPR ID and password and search for the patient.

2. Click on the patient's electronic record and then select the desired inpatient visit.

3. Navigate to the eForms tab and then click on the Medication Reconciliation (EMITT) button.
4 Upon clicking the Medication Reconciliation (EMITT) button you will be directed to the integrated Discharge Summary/EMITT application

5 The Discharge Summary for the patient will launch in a separate web browser and default to the BPMH sub-tab of the Medications tab
GENERAL LAYOUT

**PREVIEW BUTTONS** can be used to preview the note in full-screen or split-screen mode, or to hide the preview note.

**PRINT** can be used to print the Discharge Summary or a medication-related document within the **Medications** sub-tabs.

**MEDICATIONS** tab consists of seven sub-tabs; users are defaulted to the **BPMH** sub-tab.

**ALLERGIES** section displayed within each sub-tab can be collapsed (hidden).

**MAIN SCREEN** area allows for documentation of medication details.

**PATIENT DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION** is always indicated at the top of the screen.

The **DISCHARGE SUMMARY** consists of six tabs — Visit (Encounter), Diagnosis, Course While in Hospital, Alert Indicators, Medications and Discharge Plan.

**COLOURED MESSAGES** indicate downtime reminders and other important notifications.
COLOURED BANNER indicates downtime reminders and other important notifications.

UNDO allows the user to remove the most recent changes saved to the note.

opens Help and Support information; including eModules, guides and Help Desk contact information.

USER EDITING indicates other users working concurrently.

NAME indicates the user logged into the application.

CLOSE allows the user to save and log out of the application.

SAVE allows the user to save all work and exit the application; the application also auto-saves each time a field is completed.

COMPLETION/SIGN-OFF allows the user to indicate completion or cancel completion in each Medication sub-tab.

AUDIT TRAIL indicates sign-off history of a note.

PREVIEW area displays the note being updated and how it appears when printed.
FEATURES & FUNCTIONALITIES

Enhanced inter-professional collaboration through:

- The ability to **concurrently contribute** to the same note, with an indicator in the upper-right corner showing the **number of users editing**
- **User notifications** when another clinician has edited a part of the Discharge Summary
- **Fields that lock** if another clinician is updating them, to prevent accidental overwriting of information
- **Completion/Sign-Off buttons** allow the user to indicate completion or cancel completion in Medication sub-tabs; the **Review** button allows Pharmacists to indicate review of the section; sign-off/review is only possible when no one else is editing the same table

Hovering over a heading/button displays its definition and/or explains its functionality

**Type-ahead drop-downs** require a minimum of three characters entered into the field for a list of matching options to be displayed; the list narrows down as more information is entered. Selecting a provided option optimizes data entry and ensures consistent use of terminology

The medication route **auto-populates to ‘orally’** for added medication rows, and can be edited if needed
Buttons to **pull Pharmacist/Prescriber and Drug Plan coverage information** into subsequent sub-tabs reduce the need to re-enter information.

A number of **hyperlinks** to important information or supplementary forms are available within the application, including LU Codes and EAP Requests.

Pharmacists can now **view** the entire Discharge Summary, and **edit** the **Medications** and **Discharge Plan** tabs.

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### TABLE/GRID USABILITY FEATURES

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<td><img src="image7" alt="Align BPMH Medications" /></td>
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<td><img src="image9" alt="Carry forward from previous visit" /></td>
<td>Clicking this button <strong>pulls medication information from the most recent visit</strong> where the Discharge Reconciliation or BPMH was signed-off (within the past 6 months)</td>
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<td><img src="image10" alt="Clear Discharge Medications" /></td>
<td>Clicking this button <strong>clears the entire medication table above</strong>; this change can be reversed using the Undo button</td>
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To move more easily within tables press **Tab to move ahead by one cell** and **Shift+Tab to move back by one cell**.
MEDICATION RECONCILIATION

BEST POSSIBLE MEDICATION HISTORY (BPMH)

BPMH can be populated from a signed-off Discharge Reconciliation or BPMH from a patient’s previous inpatient visit (within the last 6 months)

BPMH completed while a patient is an emergency patient is preserved when the visit is converted and the patient is admitted as an inpatient

The General Communications field is for internal Pharmacist communications and does not print onto any notes

Prescription and non-prescription medications are documented in separate tables

Signed-off BPMH prescription medications auto-populate and align within the admission, transfer and discharge reconciliation tables

Smoking and ETOH History information is printed in the comments area of the BPMH

Any Sources of BPMH and Drug Plan checkboxes selected, along with information entered in the accompanying field, will be printed into Pharmacy Notes

Press the Enter key to format Community Pharmacist information to separate lines
Admission Reconciliation

Improved Reconciliation options are available in the Admission Medications table, including New, Same As Home, Same as Acute Care (for rehab), Adjusted, Patient not taking at home, On Hold: Reassess, and Discontinued. When the reconciliation option Same as Home is selected for a BPMH medication, details are auto-populated into subsequent fields.

Transfer Reconciliation

Transfer Date and Time must be entered for all transfers in order to pull medications from EPR for the specified period of time.
MEDICATION RECONCILIATION

DISCHARGE RECONCILIATION

Information entered into the Best Possible Discharge Medication List will flow into the Medication Letter and Patient Medication Grid; it can also be a source of BPMH if the patient is readmitted.

Select Exclude “Hospital Only” medications from Discharge Summary to omit medications reconciled as “Hospital Only” from the Discharge Summary output.

Select Exclude Discharge Medication List from Discharge Summary note to sign-off on the Discharge Summary without completing medication reconciliation; only the Discharge Medication Comments will appear in the Discharge Summary printout (if a patient’s Discharge Disposition is set to Deceased, this checkbox is auto-selected).

Within the Best Possible Discharge Medication List, Reconciliation Options include New: Started in Hospital, New: Start on Discharge, Same as Home, Adjusted, On Hold: Reassess, Discontinued, and Hospital Only.

When the reconciliation option Same as Home is selected, details in the BPMH column (if available) are auto-populated into subsequent fields; when New: Start on Discharge and New: Started in Hospital are selected, medication name is populated into subsequent fields and Rx? is auto-selected.

To Sign-Off/Mark as Reviewed, a Reconciliation Option is required.

To sign-off on a prescription, the Medication Name, Dose, Unit for oral medications, Route, Frequency, Mitte and Rpt (repeats) are also required.
**Rx all Medications** allows Users to prescribe **New, Adjusted and Same as Home** medications with one click.

Up to **two** separate **Prescriptions** can be generated to support Prescribers with limited sign-off authority on medications (e.g. scope of practice does not include sign-off on narcotics) or Patients that have multiple dispensaries. Prescribers with limited sign-off authority can print both prescriptions, but have the other prescriber sign-off the second prescription if needed.

**Discharge Medication Comments** documented in this sub-section will appear in the **Discharge Summary printout** and the **Pharmacy Note** (only **Rx Comments** print on the prescription).

Up to **two** **Prescriptions**, a **Pharmacy Note** and the **Discharge Summary** can be generated from the **Discharge Reconciliation** sub-tab.
**MEDICATION RECONCILIATION**

**PATIENT MEDICATION GRID**

In order to sign-off on the Patient Medication Grid, the Discharge Reconciliation must be ‘Marked as Reviewed’ and/or ‘Signed-off’

Within the Patient Medication Grid, the Instructions field must be filled out and checkboxes in that row need to be selected to appear in the grid.

Columns in the grid can be **renamed** by clicking on their title and editing the field.

An extra **column can be added** to the grid to accommodate an additional medication time by using the blue Add Column drop-down button above the grid.

Columns can be **rearranged** by clicking the column header and dragging it to the desired slot, and **removed** by dragging the column out of the grid.

Users will be prompted to update the Patient Medication Grid if any changes have been made to the Discharge Reconciliation; only medications modified in the Discharge Rec will be updated in the grid. Customizations made to medication name, instructions, schedule checkboxes and purpose for all other medications will be preserved.

Most patients prefer the vertical grid over the horizontal grid.
DISCHARGE PLAN

According to UHN policy, the Most Responsible Provider is responsible for the review and sign-off of a Patient’s Discharge Summary

Patient follow-up instructions to be included in the Discharge Summary can now be documented within the Discharge Plan tab, under Follow-Up Instructions for Patient

Pre-populated follow-up instructions can be selected and further modified if needed

MEDICATION LETTER

Medications in this sub-tab are populated from the Discharge Reconciliation sub-tab and are categorized based on their reconciliation status

Fields under the Notes heading are not mandatory; only fields containing information will appear in the Medication Letter

Drug coverage can be pulled from BPMH if available

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

Activity Sign-off/Completion is tracked in this sub-tab; the Completed button automatically updates when the associated sub-tab is signed-off

Manual—On paper is used to indicate items completed on paper; all tables in corresponding medication sub-tab must be blank

Selecting the Mark all Completed button will indicate all activities (excluding medication reconciliation) have been completed, with one click
Clicking **Split** in a **Medications sub-tab** allows Users to select a note output to preview or print.

Clicking **Print** allows Users to view print options specific to the sub-tab, and generate a PDF to be printed; sub-tabs with multiple output options will default to printing what is currently being viewed.

Clicking the **Print** button on any other tab enables printing of the **Discharge Summary**.

**Patient/Chart/Both copies** of the Discharge Summary and Medication tab outputs can be printed, with the **copy type indicated in the header** of each printout.

Printouts can be generated in **small, normal or large-text format** based on the patient/user preference; medication outputs default to print in small text.

**Wallet Cards** for patient medications can be printed for some Medication sub-tab outputs by checking the **Wallet Card checkbox**.

Wallet Cards print on a separate page.

Users also have the option to **include allergies** and/or **provide a space for patient notes**.
The Patient Medication Grid can be printed in horizontal or vertical versions, with additional options of printing on letter or legal-sized paper.

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DOWNTIME

GENERAL INFORMATION
- If EPR is down, the application will also be unavailable
- If a source system (labs, radiology, or medications) is down, the application will function, but source data will be unavailable

PLANNED DOWNTIME
- Scheduled outside core business hours (2 - 6 hours)
- Email communication sent in advance and a banner message in the application to indicate downtime

UNPLANNED DOWNTIME
- May involve the entire application or a source system
- Email communication sent and an overhead pager announcement made
- Users may wait until the application is restored
- If documentation is needed urgently:
  - Admission medication reconciliation can be documented in the patient chart (TG/TW/PM) or using the form B-0011 (TR)
  - Discharge Prescriptions can be issued using Prescription form 2113
  - Medication Schedule can be completed using form D6979 (TG/TW/PM) or D6979T (TR)

RECOVERY PROCESS
- No additional reconciliation required
- Copies of paper Prescriptions and Medication Schedules must be placed in the patient’s paper chart
SUPPORT

Technical

Ext. 4357
help@uhn.ca

Education

https://www.uhnmodules.ca/DischargeSummary

Change Requests

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