

## EDCO FORUM®

PRESENTING INNOVATIVE PRODUCTS AND SERVICES TO HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS

VOLUME 18 NUMBER 56

NOVEMBER 2011 REPRINT

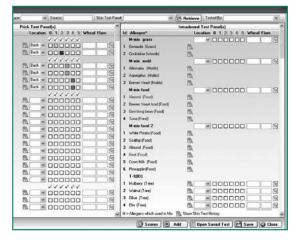
## **ALLERGYEHR®**

Intelligent Medical Software for Allergists
From Meditab Software, Inc.

llergyEHR®, an IMS product by Meditab Software Inc., is a HIPAA-compliant, fully integrated EHR/practice management software solution specially designed to meet the unique needs of the Allergist/Immunologist. The powerful combination of practice management, electronic health records, document imaging, and chronic care management—in one integrated solution—allows physicians to optimize productivity, improve patient care, and reduce overall costs.

"It's an all encompassing solution. No other system that I looked at was as good. With the push for medical management, this is an excellent system for allergists to use." Sandeep Gupta, MD, of North Texas Allergy and Asthma Associates (Dallas, TX), said the allergy-specific module was the main reason he chose Meditab IMS (Intelligent Medical Software) when looking for a new system for his office.

AllergyEHR is designed to improve office workflow and productivity, with patient safety as the top priority. It enables physicians to document allergy histories and to create custom treatment plans for patients. Physicians can manage patient shots more efficiently with individualized template shot schedules. The system will document and track skin test results, manage and track vials of dilutions or antigens, and aid in populating recipes based on skin test results to minimize errors. The system can record reactions and associated treatment, as well as define alerts and reminders for critical reactions. Physicians will find automated prescription writing, drug interaction and formulary checking with automatic alerts, and a fully-integrated drug database.



Shot Template Based Skin Test

Dr. Gupta points out one major benefit of the AllergyEHR system is that it allows physicians and their staff to access patient information at the point of care, with no more charts to pull, and no more misplaced records. Dr. Gupta likes the paperless workflow. "This system is much more efficient than paper. Paper charts are hard to keep organized. The Meditab system is designed so all of the information is readily accessible and easy to find. If you need to review test results or look at a lab report, all of that information is integrated right into the system."

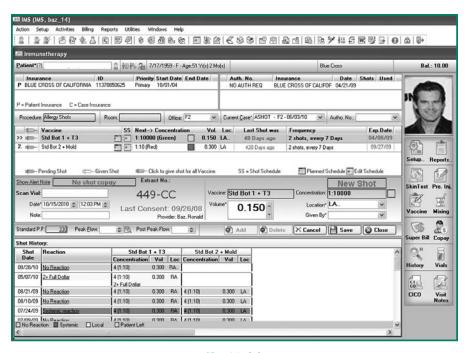
Mark Olmstead, MD, of Allergy, Asthma & Immunology Associates (Garland, TX), finds the system has a tremendous capability for generating reports. "This is especially useful when you have a great deal of data and you need to find specific information. You can look at just about anything you want. If I want to identify a group of people who have taken a certain medication, I can run a report to find out which of my patients is on that medication." Dr. Olmstead

named the reminder system as his favorite feature. "I am very meticulous and until an outstanding task has been completed, the system will continue to remind me about it. This is a very important feature for all physicians and their staff, so the risk of something getting missed is less."

The automated immunotherapy billing module will generate statements for shots and treatments, providing flexible templates for individual patient visits. AllergyEHR can improve a practice's overall revenue with accelerated reimbursement, automated coding recommendations, reduced billing errors, and decreased denials. Dr. Olmstead has found a more efficient turn-around of claims. "We receive reimbursements much faster than with our old system." Dr. Olmstead also notes that the billing software has been more efficient, thereby reducing the administrative burden.

Communicating with patients has never been easier. The system can easily deliver patient education materials, information about procedures, or chronic disease management. Dr. Olmstead says, "We can communicate with patients about lab reports or prescription re-fill requests." Physicians can also connect and communicate with other healthcare entities, pharmacies, or labs. Dr. Olmstead mentions the system has also helped gather information at the front-end of a patient visit with the patient portal. "Patients can easily complete forms online, so we have all of the information available for review prior to a patient's visit, and I think this really facilitates the visit."

The AllergyEHR system can be utilized as an in-office or remotely hosted program. Notes Dr. Gupta,



Shot Module

"You can access the system from just about anywhere using your laptop, iPad, or other device. If you are on-call and you want to see about a patient, perhaps make a note, it is very easy to do. With this system, all of your data is available to see, any time, whether you are in the office or not."

Upon implementation, the Meditab IMS solution is configured to meet individual practice requirements. It is supported throughout implementation with training and follow-up support services by a team of experienced professionals. "Meditab's training and support has been very good," said Dr. Olmstead. "They carefully assess your needs for both hardware and software before installation and what specific needs a practice might need so the system is customizable and it offers a great deal of versatility. Ongoing support is offered which is helpful for general questions but could be better for technical issues."

Meditab's IMS is guaranteed to meet or exceed federal requirements to qualify for stimulus incentives and was created to meet the latest industry standards to ensure physicians will achieve compliance requirements. The Medicare and Medicaid EHR Incentive Programs will provide incentive payments to eligible professionals as they adopt, implement, upgrade or demonstrate meaningful use of certified EHR technology. Meditab's IMS is also both CCHIT 2011 Certified and ONC-ACTB Certified 2011/2012.

Since 1998, Meditab Software, Inc. has been committed to providing clinical automation systems to meet the growing demand of the medical industry. With clients across the United States and growing fast, Meditab offers practices an integrated EHR Solution at an affordable cost.

For more information about Meditab's AllergyEHR, please call 866-99-GoEMR; visit the website at www.meditab.com.

