

Patient Care Alerts Documentation for Providers, Clinical and Clerical Staff

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Documenting or Reviewing Patient Care Alerts

Alerts need to be charted by ambulatory care team members as appropriate.

1. Click on the top toolbar in PowerChart
2. Select **Patient Care Alerts-Amb.**
3. Click **Chart.**
4. Select the appropriate alerts.
5. Select **None** for any sections that do not pertain to the patient.

Ad Hoc Charting -

- Ambulatory Commonly Used
- Antepartum Intake
- Patient Care Alerts - Amb**
- Patient Provided Vital Signs

Note: Yellow colored sections require documentation of None or Special Needs.

6. Care team members will determine if previously documented Special Needs still pertain to the patient. If determined that the previously documented Special Needs no longer apply, the care team member may deselect the Special Needs by unchecking the box.

Patient Care Alerts

Any documentation on this form is valid for **ALL VISITS** , until deselected/uncharted or when 'None' is chosen.

Patient Norms Not Subject to Change

Reason Pt has Potential for Violence. Pt upset in ED waiting room yelling and screaming at staff. (9/28/22 13:35:00)

Care Preference

- None
- Female care provider preferred
- Male care provider preferred
- Religious beliefs impacting care
- Preferred name
- Preferred gender

Sensory Impaired

- None
- Visually impaired
- hearing impaired
- Nonverbal

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Medical Device

- None
- Oxygen
- Implantable devices
- Mediport

Patient Behaviors

- None
- Abusive behavior
- Aggressive behavior**
- combative
- Harassing behavior
- Potential/History of violence

Mobility Impaired

- None
- Chair bound
- Mobility assistance required
- Amputee
- fall risk

Limb Alert

- None
- LLE
- LUE
- RLE
- RUE

Displays the most recent result(s) that were documented from any encounter in the Special Needs field.

None needs to be selected if no special needs are appropriate

Notes:

- Ambulatory encounter alerts will **NOT** cross to hospital encounters.
- Alerts added on hospital encounters will **NOT** fire on ambulatory encounters. Alerts will need to be charted by ambulatory care team members as appropriate.

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Documented Patient Care Alerts

Once an alert has been charted on an ambulatory encounter, an alert will fire one time every 24 hours per person opening the chart. Once the alert is read, click OK.

If the information no longer applies or needs to be updated, open the Patient Care Alerts PowerForm to update.

Documenting or Reviewing Potential for Violence

After reviewing a previously charted Special Needs:

- Clinical staff will use judgment to determine if the patient continues to have the previously documented behaviors or history of violence. If determined that the previously documented behaviors or history of violence no longer applies, the clinical staff may deselect the Special Needs by unchecking the box.
- A new selection of the indicated potential for violence Patient Behaviors will open the Potential for Violence Behavior Plan.
- Document behavior as needed.

Notes:

- Potential for Violence documentation added on **hospital** encounters will **NOT** cross to ambulatory encounters.
- Potential for Violence documentation added on **ambulatory** encounters **WILL** cross to subsequent ambulatory encounters until removed by clinical staff.