Information
sharing solutions

Maracis on the Move

mobile access to solution services

Mobile working is already recognised as a key component of modernising government initiatives and allows health trusts, local authorities and other public and private sector organizations to implement enhanced services that can be brought directly into the community. Staff can spend more time dealing with problems, cases and clients and less time on travelling, paper-work and administration.

Maracis On The Move is a proven and widely used solution that allows staff to access, record and update information held in Maracis applications without having to return to the office.

Real time information as and when needed

Initially developed in response to the requirement to streamline the way in which community psychiatric nurses record and update patient records during home visits, Maracis On the Move has been continually enhanced and is now available as an option to all Maracis supplied solutions to provide mobile staff with the real time information that they need whenever the need it.

The increasing sophistication and availability of Tablet PCs, Personal Digital Assistants (PDAs), smart phones, etc., coupled with the nationwide availability of high speed, low cost, powerful and secure wireless network services (including 3G, GPRS and WiFi) now means that mobile staff (such as community healthcare professionals, local authority staff and personal trainers), and staff moving around large fixed locations such as hospitals can access Maracis supplied solutions from any location, streamlining the collection and distribution of data, increasing productivity and yielding cost savings, improved customer service and enhanced management control.

Secure access and simple data entry

Maracis On The Move allows users to login and access a range of solution related services using simple and easy-to-use menu

structures to retrieve information, update existing records, create new records, generate reports, etc.

Just as in the associated Maracis solution, users are presented with windows containing fields which are populated by selecting items from lists or by entering text or dates, reducing the need for additional training and ensuring that users and organisations are able to enjoy the benefits of mobile solutions quickly and effectively.

Depending upon the type of device being used, a range of methods for entering text data are available – including mobile phone key pad, a full keyboard on a Blackberry, or a pointing device on a PDA. In the health domain, for example, Maracis On The Move allows users to view their caseload, select a client, review the history, record contact details and update notes – all without having to return to the office and transpose handwritten notes.

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Understanding the full story

In addition to the 'conventional' information, Maracis on the Move can also deliver information in narrative form, automatically describing, for example, a patient's recent care history from structured data, as this is often easier for a user to digest quickly.

Narratives are generated using templates held in the Maracis database, making the addition of new templates, or the changing of existing templates, a simple task.

Rigid security and database integrity

Maracis On The Move delivers the highest levels of security, preventing unauthorised access to sensitive information should the mobile device be lost or stolen. Information is saved directly to the underlying Maracis solution database, with no information being stored on the mobile device.

Staff use the same user id and password that they use on the PC-based Maracis solution (i.e. there are no additional user ids and passwords to remember). Maracis On The Move also automatically validates the data entered when the information is saved, ensuring that all relevant and required data fields have been completed, preserving the integrity of the database and guaranteeing timely, good quality information.

Benefits:

- Accessibility and delivery of information when and where it is needed.
- Real time updating of client information at the point of care.
- Reduces unnecessary staff travel time returning to base to record activity.
- Improved and streamlined efficiencies.
- Staff can spend more time dealing with problems, cases and clients and less time on travelling, paper-work and administration
- Improved patient confidentiality and choice.
- Enhanced data quality and reduced errors.
- More accurate reporting of trust performance for internal and external consumption.
- Updated information immediately available to all other staff.
- Automatic alerts notify appropriate staff of concerns, enabling immediate action to be taken.
- In-built security data protects confidential information from unauthorised access.
- Information collected in a timely, accurate and audited fashion.

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