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Oct. 24 Epic Update – Inpatient Nurse and Ancillary Clinicians

September 22, 2021

Oct. 24 Epic Update Preparation

- Our next Epic Update will take place on **Sunday, Oct. 24**. This will include features and enhancements to improve safety and quality of patient care, productivity and financial outcomes.
- **Update Companions** are now available for review. These include at-a-glance views of top changes for your role on the first page, as well as summaries of new workflows and enhancements and guided activities.
- Easy to find your **Companions** – no more required acknowledgement button to click:
 - Epic Learning Home (press **F1** on your keyboard)
 - IT website (it.houstonmethodist.org/epicupdate/)
 - Targeted eNewsletters
- Practice in the Epic Playground using the **Update Companion**'s guided activities. For Epic Playground access, review the [Epic Playground Logins guide](#).
- Planned Epic Downtime from **2 a.m. to TBD** on **Sunday, Oct. 24** for the Epic Update. Follow your standard [downtime instructions](#).
- Visit the [Epic Update web page \(it.houstonmethodist.org/epicupdate/\)](#) for regular updates and resources.

Top Changes for Inpatient Nurse and Ancillary Clinician

The most significant changes for your role with the Aug. 15 Epic Update include:

Inpatient Nursing

- Use Chart Search to Jump to Summary Reports
- Add Personal Tasks to Your Schedule in Brain and Brain Sidebar
- Search for Report Caption Names in Patient Summary
- Target Your Messages with Department Sign-In Groups
- Use Opt-In Groups to Communicate in Secure Chat

Inpatient Ancillary Clinicians

- Use Chart Search to Jump to Summary Reports
- Search for Report Caption Names in Patient Summary
- See More Information with Unit Manager Hover Bubbles
- Review Avoidable Bed Days Details in a Drilldown Report
- Find the Ideal Impairment Group Code for Complex IRF Patients



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*to access your Update Companion
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