

# HUDDLE NOTES

## 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 you **Companions** – no more required acknowledgement button to click:
  - Epic Learning Home (press **F1** on your keyboard)
  - IT website ([it.houstonmethodist.org/epicupdate/](http://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/](http://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

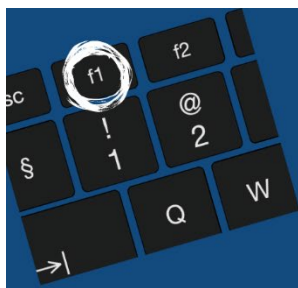
- Use Chart Search to Jump to Summary Reports
- Search for Report Caption Names in Patient Summary
- See More Information with Unit Manager Hover Bubbles
- Review Avoidable Bed Days Details in a Drilldown Report
- Find the Ideal Impairment Group Code for Complex IRF Patients



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