

PowerSoftMD Newsletter

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NATIONAL PROVIDER IDENTIFICATION

Once you install the latest release of PowerSoftMD, you can enter your NPI numbers for each doctor in your practice and for the practice itself. Use the Utility Menu, then select the "Company Name" option.

NPI numbers for referring physicians are entered by using the Utility Menu, then selecting the "Referral Sources" option.

For each referring doctor enter their unique NPI number.

Currently, PowerSoftMD only uses the NPI number when printing the new HCFA 1500 form which includes the NPI number fields. You can print on these new forms from the Patient screen by selecting the top toolbar "Print" option, then "Insurance", and "HCFA 1500 NPI

Red".

Support for electronic claims will be added in the near future.

You can find out all the details regarding the new HCFA 1500 form at: www.nucc.org

You can order new forms from Ann Barclay at POS. Her number is: (314) 567-7002

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ID & INSURANCE CARD WINDOW



One of the new features in PowerSoftMD is the ability to scan ID and Insurance cards right into the patient's record. You can do this even if you aren't using the EMR features of PowerSoftMD.

We recommend using a business card reader, either from www.cardscan.com or

www.bizcardreader.com These are simple business card readers that attach to Windows XP computers via a USB Cable. Then, from the patients screen simply click the top toolbar "Windows" option, and select ID Card.

This will open a window that has room for 4 cards for the patient, including the front and back side of each card.

From this screen, you can select an option to run the scanner directly. You should set the scan size option to 4 inches by 4 inches. Then, with a single click you can scan the card in just few seconds.

You can display them, enlarged, on the screen, or print the cards out any time you want.



WEB SITE

Please check out our new web site format.

It's been redesigned to make it easier for you to get the information you need quickly.

Once you pick the "Support" page you will get instant access to many useful items, such as;

1. Technical Notes documents
2. Online Training Videos
3. The Downloads Page, where you can download the latest updates to PowerSoftMD. You will need to contact us for the current update instructions and password.
4. Links to preferred Vendors, like Miken Technologies, Gateway EDI, and POS.
5. Links to recommended hardware.

ENHANCEMENTS

Scheduling has many enhancements, including:

1. The ability to enter unlimited text comments for an appointment. After you have made the appointment, click on the name entry line of the appointment. When the Pop up Window comes up use the new "Notes" button to display the new "Text Note Pad Window".

This window has several buttons for adding next entries to the top of the text, editing existing text, clearing, even a zoom button to see an enlarged view of the text.

You can also view this new text information from the Patient's appointments screen.

2. You can set an new option to leave appointment background colors alone when doing a move and/or cancel. Set this option by

using the Schedule Utility Menu, then Schedule Options button, and check the "Leave color alone for move/cancels" option.

3. There is a new button on the Cancellation window. You can click the light red button to cancel the appointment, while leaving the patient's name and "No Show" on the screen. This is useful if you are entering "No Shows" and you don't want to make the schedule time slots look empty.

Other Improvements include:

1. On batch patient statements, if you use the option to view the statement before printing, you can add multiple lines of comments to the bottom of the statement. Use the new "Note Bot" button.

2. On the Posting Screen there is a new "Tools" option at the top of the

screen that allows you to edit your "Pop Up Screen Lists".

3. CPT Code descriptions are now up to 40 characters in length instead of 25.
4. The Patient Search Binocular Icon on most patient screens now allows searching on the Chart Number from the General Screen, as well as First Name.
5. From Phone List on the Primary Menu, "Look Up & Aids", click the "Print Patient Slip" button to print the Address and Phone Number for a referring doctor, to give to a patient.

To see a list of all then improvements, use the Primary Menu Toolbar, "Look Ups & Aids", then select "Enhancement List".

