

# DOCTORS OFFICE SYSTEMS

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## NEWS YOU CAN USE:



### Practice Point Manager Update: Revision 7, 0, 9 Build 3

This PPM/POM update contains the following changes that you will want to take advantage of. These updates are a part of your PPM/POM annual updates and support contract that you pay each year so there is no reason not to take advantage.

The update process takes only 15-20 minutes.

#### To determine which version of PPM/POM you are on:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Click on the word "[Help](#)" at the top right of your PPM/POM main screen.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Click on "[About PracticePoint Manager](#)"
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Look at the left side of your screen for the PPM Revision Number. It will display something like: Revision: 7.0.x Build x (whereas the "x" is a number). As long as the first number after the word Revision is "7", we can do this update. Give us a call. If the first number you see is "6" we still need you to call, because you will want to get current ASAP for all the changes that are coming.

#### Some of the changes in this update:

1. Changed the charge entry screen to fit better on the old 800x600 display settings. This allows you to use a bigger font when using POM. Bottom line is some people will find it easier to read the screen when using 800x600 setting.
2. Changed the electronic claims billing to work properly when a patient has 10 or more insurances.
3. Payment Entry. Added a payment type of EFT (electronic funds transfer) to the Payment Type drop down box. This is for use when a carrier (i.e. Medicare or Medicaid) direct deposits your check into the bank. The EFT amount(s) then show as a separate amount on the Deposit Slip report.
4. EOB Posting. Modified the EOB screen to include the ETF Payment Type (see 3).
5. Automated Remit Posting Module. Changed the Auto Remit Posting Module to handle EFT's also (see 3 and 4).
6. Added the ability to enter Canadian postal zip codes.
7. Secondary Claims. Remark Codes can now be entered on the Payment Notes field. If the payment note is less than 8 characters long, the note is considered a Remark Code for Medicare Secondary posting. The Remark Code is then

transferred from the Payment Note field over to the correct Charge Remark field for you. This saves having to change screens to the Patient History screen to enter the Remarks code in the Remarks Field. You can also hit the SELECT key on the Payment Notes field so as to find the correct Remarks Code (if you chose to enter your Remarks Codes in the Adjustment Codes in Maintenance for reference purposes).

8. Changed the way PTD (period to date) patient count is calculated in Referral Maintenance so that a patient that is referred to you by the same physician more than once is only counted one time.
9. Appointments. Modified the Forms Generator so that only the Appointments Instructions Code (10 characters) will print on a charge slip. Not the Appointment Instructions themselves. This was done because the Appointment Instructions can be up to a page long and would overwrite the rest of the Charge Slip if they were allowed to print.



### OBAMACARE Update:

We are keeping a close eye on the Health Insurance Reform Bills that are being discussed in Congress. One thing that is certain is your need to get an Electronic Medical Records system. Our programmers have given us a guarantee that however "meaningful use" is finally defined by the Dept. of Health and Human Services they will be sure that our EMR software complies with it. The software already has the latest CCHIT certifications so complying with any new changes won't be an issue.

At the point you are ready to move ahead with this, give us a call. Our new system incorporates the EMR and the billing system into one package. All of your patient's old demographic and insurance information along with their old charges, payments, and adjustments are transferred into the new software. This means that you can get started on the new software without losing any old data. You can also just bite this off in small increments. If you want to just make the switch in the billing and scheduling first, then add e-prescribing later, then add documents scanning, then add electronic notes, etc., etc. you can do it that way also. The key is you can move at your pace.

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