Instructions for Creating Medication Favorites in Electronic Health Record (EHR) Systems





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Sections 1-4 Overview

1. Instructions

Boehringer Ingelheim has developed instructions to assist healthcare providers in creating medication favorites in electronic health record (EHR) systems: Allscripts Professional, Allscripts TouchWorks, Athena, Cerner, eClinicalWorks, and Epic. These instructions can be used only for this purpose and will not work for other EHR systems.

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3. Background

Electronic Health Records (EHRs) offer thousands of available medications at the provider's fingertips—making the process to find the appropriate medication time-consuming. Beyond selecting the medication, additional information such as the medication dosing, routing, frequency, etc. need to be completed—often duplicating previously entered information. As pressures continue to increase on providers, gaining EHR efficiencies without sacrificing clinical quality is high on a provider's priority list. Setting up a medication as a favorite is a smart way to reduce clicks, eliminating a repetitive and duplicative process, and ensure the ePrescribing process runs more smoothly without sacrificing clinical quality and patient safety.

4. Notes

- These instructions may be provided to healthcare providers and institutions for their educational purposes
- End users using this resource should be informed of the availability, content, and target audience. Some end users may already use the described functionality so training may require minimal effort

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Section 5 Allscripts

5.1 Allscripts Professional

- 1. Favorite medications may be added to the Medication Short Lists
- 2. Access the Clinical Customization Module
- 3. Select the Short Lists Folder
- 4. Select the existing Assessment/Plan Folder or create a new Assessment/Plan Folder if one is not available
- 5. Click the + sign and select Items
- 6. Select Medications and find the desired medication
- 7. Complete the medication profile (dosing, routing, frequency, etc.) and click OK
- 8. The Short List with the favorite medication may be released to selected or all providers

5.2 Allscripts TouchWorks

- 1. Click RX/Orders Tab
- 2. Click the RX Tab or Add Clinical Item (ACI) Tab
- 3. Select My Favorites from the dropdown menu
- 4. Click "Q" icon button to turn the Quick List on. Add medication to Quick List
- 5. Search medication name
- 6. Right-click selected medication > Quick List Item



Section 6 Athenahealth

6.1 Athenahealth

- 1. Select a patient and open the encounter or face sheet
- 2. Click the Begin The Exam Button to start the encounter
- 3. **Navigate** to the **Medications** and/or **Orders Section** and select the desired medication (complete dosing, routing, frequency, and any other information)
- 4. Check the Quickpick Button to add the medication to the Quickpick list of favorite medications
- 5. Alternatively, custom templates and order sets may be modified to add the desired medications as they may be used for routine visits



Section 7 Cerner

7.1 Cerner

- 1. Select the Medications or Orders selection in the navigator and select Add (+ sign)
- 2. Start typing the medication and all available medications will be listed. **Select the medication to be added** to the **Favorites Folder**
- 3. **Right-click the medication.** A new window will appear giving the option to **Add the Medication** as a favorite
- 4. **Optional:** Favorites may be organized in existing folders or a new folder may be created. **Use** the **Organize Favorites Folder** to make the desired changes



Section 8 eClinicalWorks

8.1 eClinicalWorks

- 1. From the Select Rx window, select the Rx category using the Type dropdown list
- 2. Using the Find box, search for the medication, using wildcards if needed
- 3. Highlight the medication and make any desired changes to the Name and properties of the medication
- 4. Using the More (...) Button, add the NDC code to the medication
- 5. Click OK



Section 9 Epic

9.1 Epic

- 1. Open the medication order screen
- 2. Start typing the name of the medication. All medications will be shown
- 3. Select the desired medication and complete all options
- 4. A star sign allows for the medication to be saved as a favorite
- 5. Multiple favorite medications may be created of a medication, for example in cases where different dosing regimens are commonly prescribed
- 6. Alternatively, the **Preference List Composer** under **Patient Care Tools** may be leveraged to manually set up medications as favorites

