

Problem-Oriented Charting in Notes

Ambulatory Providers

Introduction

Problem-oriented charting can now be done from the body of your note without having to open the problem list or disrupt your note workflow.

Problem-oriented charting allows you to document an assessment and plan note (A&P note) for each visit diagnosis during an outpatient visit. These A&P notes are saved within the associated problem on the problem list so clinicians can view the history of the problem. Problem oriented charting can help improve quality improvement initiatives and care coordination as well as streamline documentation.



Note: If you mark your note as sensitive, A&P notes are not filed to the problem list. The problem list provides all members of the care team with a shared view of information and no problems or pieces of information can be individually marked as sensitive. Therefore, when you create A&P documentation in a note marked as sensitive, that documentation appears only in that note.

A&P Notes: Diabetes mellitus, type 2 Kluck, Document (519856) Office Visit (10/20/2023) Noriega, Alberto (10/20/2023 2:40 PM) Diabetes is well controlled. Current treatment plan is effective, no change in therapy, lab results and schedule of future lab studies reviewed with patient. Office Visit (7/28/2022) Noriega, Alberto (10/20/2023 2:35 PM) Current treatment plan is effective, no change in therapy, lab results and schedule of future lab studies reviewed with patient, orders and follow up as documented in the Office Visit (5/25/2022) Noriega, Alberto (10/20/2023 2:34 PM) Current treatment plan is effective, no change in therapy, lab results and schedule of future lab studies reviewed with patient, orders and follow up as documented in the Office Visit (2/24/2021) Kemp, Kim, MD (10/20/2023 2:31 PM) Under fair control. During the course of the visit the patient was education and counseled about appropriate screening and preventive services including: Patient Instructions (the written plan) was given to the patient.

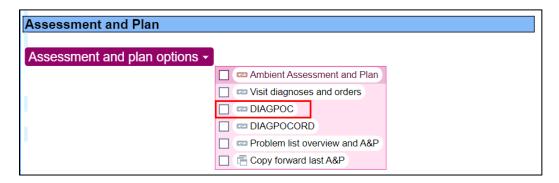
Create A&P Note in Your Progress Note

1. Click Create Note

Use the note template speed buttons or department specific note template.

© 2024 Epic Systems Corporation & The Regents of the University of California. This material should be stored securely and may not be distributed or reproduced publicly.

2. In the Assessment and Plan section of your note, select **DIAGPOC** from the SmartList



This SmartLink includes all encounter visit diagnoses.

Alternately, a provider can use **.DIAGPOC** in any note to link A&P Notes to their patients problem list. You can also use **.DIAGPOCORD** to link A&P Notes and associated orders placed in the visit.



Note: Visit diagnoses must be entered to use the SmartLink. Visit diagnosis can be added from the Problem List by clicking on the green plus sign.

3. Under each diagnosis in the note, document your A&P

Efficiency Tip:



If the visit diagnosis is linked to a problem on the problem list, the A&P written in the progress note can be seen in the problem list.

If you add any of the visit diagnoses to the problem list during this visit, the A&P you documented is automatically linked to the new problem.

4. To rearrange the order of diagnoses in the note, drag and drop the diagnosis to its new location.



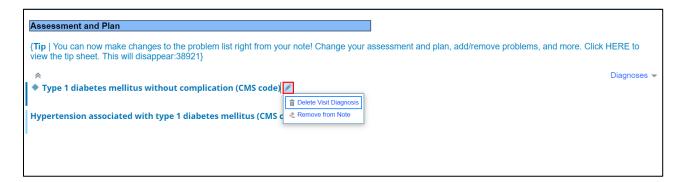
Note: Rearranging the order of the diagnoses in your note will also change the listed order in the Visit Diagnosis section and taskbar after you sign or pend the note.

Manage Visit Diagnosis

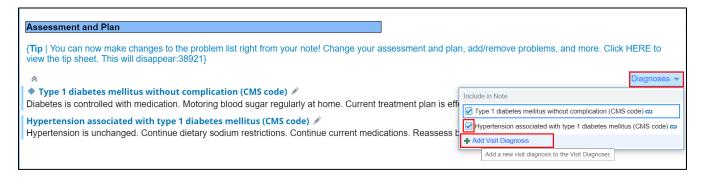
All visit diagnoses from the current encounter are pulled into the Diagnosis-Aware Note automatically, but you can remove any diagnosis from your note. You can also add and remove visit diagnoses for the encounter directly from your note.

5. Click on the pencil icon to Delete Visit Diagnosis or Remove from note

- Delete Visit Diagnosis: Delete the diagnosis from the patients Visit Diagnoses.
- Remove from note: Remove the documentation section from the note.



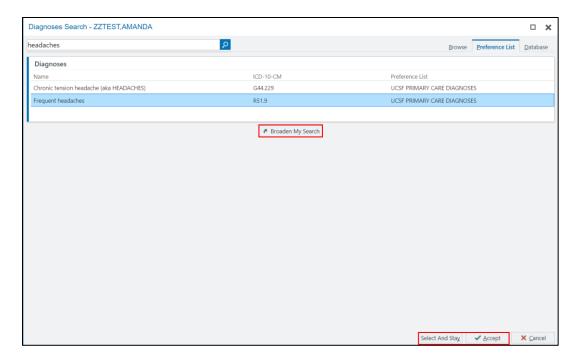
6. Click Diagnoses



- 7. Clear the checkbox for any diagnoses that you don't want to include in the note.
- 8. To add a new visit diagnosis for the encounter, select Add Visit Diagnosis.

The Diagnoses Search window opens.

- 9. In Search for diagnosis field, type diagnosis and press Enter
- 10. Select diagnosis in the *Diagnoses* box or select **Broaden My Search** for additional options
- 11. Click Select And Stay or Accept
 - Select And Stay: Select current visit diagnosis and search for additional visit diagnosis
 - Accept: Select current visit diagnosis



The recently added diagnosis will appear in the list of diagnosis so that you can write an A&P note.

Review A&Ps for a Problem

See a history of the A&Ps for a problem in the problem list:

- 1. Open Problem List activity and expand the problem to review.
- 2. Click the View All Notes button to open a report with A&Ps written in chronological order.

