

Bring UpToDate® into your Clinical Workflow via the EMR/EHR



Embedding UpToDate into your EHR gives clinicians access to more than 10,000 topics in over 20 specialties. Whether the goal is treatment recommendations, getting information on a lab result or providing patient education, integration brings the answers clinicians need into the workflow at the point of care.

More than 30 research studies confirm the widespread usage of UpToDate, and the association of UpToDate with improved patient care and hospital performance, including reduced length of stay, adverse complications, and mortality. In fact, it's been shown that increased use of UpToDate is associated with greater improvements in the quality and cost of patient care. Many UpToDate customers have already taken advantage of embedding UpToDate into their EHR.

Important benefits include:

- Easy access to UpToDate within the EHR
- Free, fast, and easy access to *AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™*
- Increased utilization of both UpToDate and the EHR
- Improved clinician satisfaction with the EHR

Impact on quality of care

"UpToDate has had a significant impact on the quality of care we're providing to our patients. That's why we are so pleased to see that about 95% of our users are now accessing UpToDate directly from Epic. The more clinicians use UpToDate, the higher the quality of care."

Richard Shuman, MD
Medical Director
Riverbend Medical Group Agawam, MA

Embedding UpToDate into your EHR requires an appropriate license. Contact your UpToDate Account Manager, email enterprise@uptodate.com or call 888-550-4788 for more information.

Easy access — efficient care

“UpToDate integration in MEDITECH is an absolute time saver. It’s so easy to use. You just right click and you’re there. It’s the easiest electronic initiative out there.”

Stacey Johnston, MD
Hospitalist
Beaufort Memorial Hospital
Beaufort, SC

Physician satisfaction

“We’ve integrated UpToDate into Cerner Millennium across our entire network. This has been successful and delivers a seamless means of accessing clinical information just when it’s needed — in the midst of patient care. Our utilization is high because of the great content and our clinicians also appreciate the CME program.”

Neil Kudler, MD
Medical Director, IT Services
Baystate Health
Springfield, MA

QUICK IMPLEMENTATION

UpToDate uses a simple API that makes implementation fast and easy. The UpToDate API has been successfully embedded with all leading EHR systems. Our team is available to support you and answer your questions.

ACCESS SPECIFICS

UpToDate supports all access options offered by the leading EHRs, including:

Integrated Link

UpToDate supports the links of all leading EHRs. Some sites have the ability to set up links to UpToDate from the patient problem list to get targeted search results that are relevant to their specific patient. Other sites place UpToDate as a search box on the Tool Bar and/or the Navigation Bar. Set-up of all types of EHR links to UpToDate is extremely quick and can easily be tailored to your needs.

UpToDate HL7 Infobutton

Accessing the UpToDate HL7 Infobutton enables clinicians to get answers to their clinical questions from within a patient’s record. Users can search UpToDate content for information that is contextually relevant to their specific patient’s disease, condition, medication, lab results and age.

AMA PRA Category 1 CME Credit™

With the UpToDate CME link, clinicians earn free *AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™* or AANP contact hours when conducting an UpToDate search in the EHR.

Patient Search Box

The UpToDate Patient Search Box can be placed at no charge into your patient portal. Your patients can access UpToDate “Beyond the Basics” patient education topics. All patient topics are evidence-based and are created by the same physicians who author and review corresponding professional content so you know your patients are receiving quality information that is consistent with your clinicians’ practices.



EHR BEST PRACTICES

Our customers share best practices:

Location, location, location...

Where you locate UpToDate in your EHR is critical to clinician adoption. It's best to put UpToDate everywhere in the clinical workflow. To promote maximum utilization, ensure that the UpToDate icon is always visible.

The fewer the clicks, the better

Seconds matter for a busy clinician with mounting demands on his or her time. One-click access to UpToDate instead of clicking through multiple drop-down menus and tabs results in a dramatic difference in utilization rates.

Show, don't tell

Our customers tell us the number one best practice is "show, don't tell." Show your clinicians screen shots so that they can see UpToDate in action. Ask your IT trainers to conduct one-on-one demos with clinicians, and to include UpToDate access training in EHR orientation and on-going training initiatives.

Spread the word

The most successful organizations use a physician champion to spearhead awareness. Spread the word by using email, physician lounge trainings, and medical meetings. Show your physicians screen shots so they can see how easy it is to access UpToDate at the point of care. Create continued interest by promoting early successes, such as numbers of CME credits earned and utilization statistics.

Open access to all disciplines

When you embed UpToDate into your EHR you provide access to all disciplines including nurses, physician assistants and other clinical staff at no additional cost. This open access enables you to reap the benefits of standardized care across disciplines.

Involve your patients

Encourage clinicians to turn the computer screen toward their patients and share UpToDate patient information directly at the point of care.

UpToDate supports integration with all leading EHRs, including:

- Allscripts
- Athenahealth
- Cerner
- Epic
- eClinicalWorks
- GE Healthcare
- McKesson
- MEDITECH
- NextGen
- Siemens

Physician satisfaction

"UpToDate works well within Soarian, the physicians love the easy access, and accruing CME credits is a great physician satisfier."

Beth Russo, RN
Clinical Systems Analyst
LakeHealth
Painseville, OH

Easy Integration

"Installation in Epic was very easy. It literally took a couple of hours for one person to get it all working."

David C. Kaelber, MD, PhD, MPH
CMIO
MetroHealth Medical Center
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