

10.08. Patient medication records

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Introduction

A Patient Medication Record (PMR) is a way of recording all the medications a person is using, whether or not they were dispensed by you. The record contains useful information for the patient such as

- The dosage in a clear easy-to-understand format.
- An (optional) picture of the dose form (tablet, capsule, etc)
- The medication's purpose.
- Common instructions for taking/using the medicine, which may be customised for each patient

Setting up items

Before adding items it is good to set up the standard purpose, instructions and item photo for common items at least. Once set up, you can add these to a particular patient's PMR with just the click of a button.

1. Find the item you are interested in and go to the dispensing tab

The screenshot shows the 'Item details...' window for 'GLIBENCLAMIDE SMG TAB'. The 'Dispensing' tab is selected in the left-hand menu. The window is divided into several sections:

- Default Directions:** A table with columns 'Priority' and 'Directi'. It contains three rows:

Priority	Directi
1	2t bd pc uat
2	1t bd pc uat
3	1t od pc uat
- Picture:** A green circular tablet with a pink diagonal line.
- Medication Purpose:** A text box containing 'To control blood sugar'.
- Patient instructions:** A text box containing 'Take this medicine immediately after food.'
- Warn if user tries to issue more than:** A numeric input field set to '0'.
- Print out the units for this item on labels:** A checkbox that is unchecked, with a red note: 'This option has been disabled as you have choosen to 'Always print item units' in the mSupply preferences.'

At the bottom, there are buttons for 'Delete', 'OK & Previous', 'OK & Next', 'Cancel', and 'OK'.

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3. Enter purpose and instructions. Both these fields can take as much text as you wish to enter.
4. Add a photo by either dragging a photo from another application or pasting a photo from the clipboard.



2. **Item name:** type the start of the item name and press <tab>, then select from the list
3. **Dosage:** Enter the number of tablets/drops/whatever to be taken/administered morning, noon, evening and bedtime.
4. **Purpose:** If the item has a purpose entered, click the **copy** button to copy it to the right-hand box. Here you can edit the details if you want to.
5. **Instructions:** If the item has instructions entered, click the **copy** button to copy them to the right-hand box. Again, you can edit the details if you want to.
6. Click **OK** when you're done, or cancel if you decide not to add a record.

Editing a PMR record

To edit a PMR record, double-click the entry you wish to edit, change details, and click **OK** to save the changes and close the window.

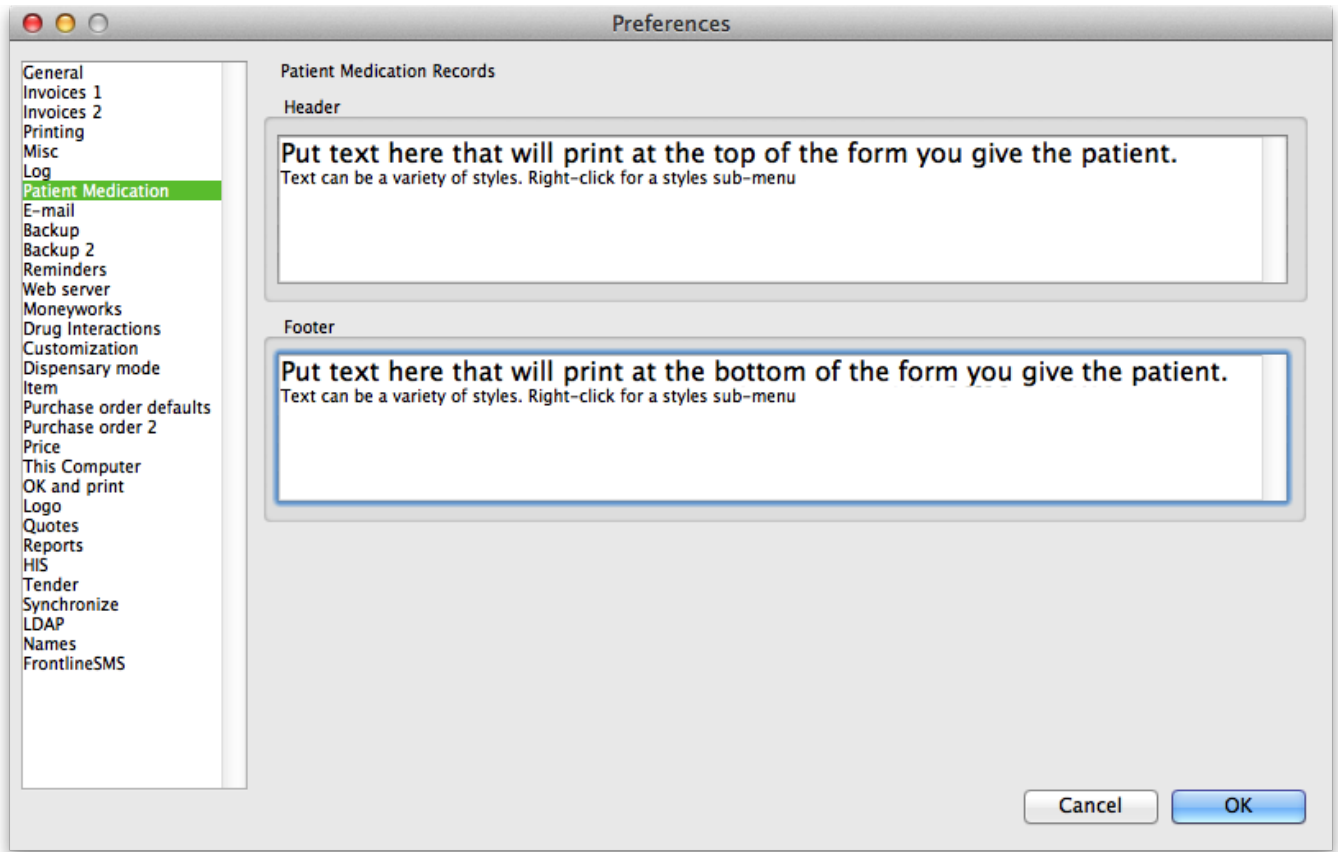
Deleting a PMR

To delete a PMR record, highlight the record(s) you wish to delete, then click the **delete** button. (Do be careful- it's not reversible!)

Printing PMRs

Setting up printing preferences

When a PMR is printed, it has a header and footer. These are set up by choosing **File > Preferences** and then clicking the **Patient Medication** tab.



Note that you can style the text in these boxes by selecting text and right-clicking on your highlighted text to get a contextual menu to apply font styles, colour and size.

Printing a PMR

Simply click the **Print** button. Note that you do not have to highlight records- all records will be printed.

Currently we have included a single PMR printing form in mSupply. We are happy to include others- send us your designs.

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