Encounters

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In mSupply-HIS an encounter is a a record of an interaction between a patient and a hospital service. In this first version, the only type of encounter handled is an inpatient admission, but we will be able to use "encounter" to allow for outpatient consultations and interactions with laboratory, x-ray and other services in the future.

Choose **Patient > New encounter**, or click the *New Encounter* button on the navigator.

Entering a new inpatient encounter

🖢 New encounter... 21/09/2011 Name Date Time 10:28:49 - 22/09/2011 Estimated discharge date None Arrived by None ¥ Admitted from Ward ¥ Bed ¥ Graphical view Cancel OK OK & Next

Enter as much of the patient surname (and a comma, then the first name if you want to) then press <tab> to show a list of matching entries.

You can enter an expected discharge date (defaults to the next day), and where the patient was referred from and how they arrived at the hospital.

Once you choose a ward, a list of available beds is shown. If you choose to show the graphical view, you can see each bed, and you can click on a bed to assign the patient to that bed.

🏖 New end	ounter.					
Name			Date	21/07/2010	-	Time 10:43:18
		Estimated	01/08/10	-		
Arrived by	None	~	Admitted from	None	~	
Ward	Sick Bay	~	Bed	6	~	Graphical view
Bed No: (Bed No: 6	Bed No: 7	Bed No: 8		Bed No: 9

Available beds are shown in green, and beds that are occupied are shown in red (or if you are using the drop-down list, only beds that are available are shown). The selected bed is shown in yellow.

The admission date defaults to the current date and time, but you can change these and the available beds will be updated accordingly. Once you have chosen a bed, click *OK* or *OK* & *Next*.

Showing encounters

Choose **Patient > Manage encounters**, or click the *Show Encounters* button on the navigator.

Encounter										
•	Status	Dat	е	Patient Code	Name		Bed : Ward	Admitted From	Arrived By	Estimated DD
(Currently Admitted	09/07/	2010	20	Patient, Im		3 : Holo	Referral clinic	Shipshape	01/09/2010
I	Discharged									
۲.	Find									
•	By start date									
-	Today									
,	Yesterday									
I	Last 7 days									
I	Last 30 days									
I	Date range									

The window has a side bar where you can show currently admitted patients or historical records. By default, it shows encounters for currently admitted patients who have been admitted in the last 30 days.

Clicking the Find entry in the side bar allows you to search for specific records.

Click the triangle beside the "By date" entry allows you to search for encounters entered today, yesterday, etc...

In the tool bar there is a New Encounter button, allowing you to add an encounter directly from there.

If you double-click an encounter you are shown the encounter details. The first tab lists the location(s) (i.e. the beds/wards occupied) during this encounter, and the fourth tab shows log records related to the encounter.

<note>Once a patient has been discharged, their encounter data can now longer be edited.</note>

Adding disease records

The second tab shows the disease records entered for this encounter. Clicking the *Add Encounter Disease* button will show this window:

🏖 Add an Enc	ounter Disease 🔰	K
ICD		
ICD Code	ICD Description	
A000	Cholera due to Vibrio cholerae 01, biovar cholerae 📃	
A001	Cholera due to Vibrio cholerae 01, biovar eltor	
A009	Cholera, unspecified	
A0100	Typhoid fever, unspecified	
A0101	Typhoid meningitis	
A0102	Typhoid fever with heart involvement	
A0103	Typhoid pneumonia	
<		
Diagnosis		
Rank P	rimary 🗸	
Notes		
Notes		
Diagnosed by		
	Cancel OK	

The cursor will be in the ICD field, and you can type as much of the code or name as you know to find matching records. Double-click the record you wish to use in the list.

Choose from primary/secondary/tertiary for disease rank.

Enter any notes you wish to record.

You can enter the name of a clinician who diagnosed the condition if you want to. To do so, enter the start of the name and press <tab>... a list of matching clinicians is shown. Double-click on the clinician you wish to choose. If you want to add a new clinician, click the *New* button. A window to enter the clinician's details is shown (see Prescribers). Enter details and click *OK*.

Once you have entered the disease details, click OK to close the list of diseases for the current

encounter. You can now click the *Add encounter disease* button again to add another disease, or double-click an entry to edit it.

Adding procedure records

The third tab shows the procedure records entered for this encounter. Clicking the *Add Procedure* button will show this window:

Or you can double-click on an existing procedure record to view/edit it.

Adding birth records

If the patient is female, there is an extra fifth tab which shows the birth records entered for this encounter. Clicking the *Add Birth* button will show this window:

Or you can double-click on an existing birth record to view/edit it.

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