

Allscripts launches native iPad EHR app, Wand

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This week EHR vendor Allscripts launched its first native iPad application, called Allscripts Wand (formerly code-named "Project Wombat"), which adds a handful of new features and the company's first native iPad interface. Allscripts was one of the first EHR vendors to offer <u>an iPhone-accessible EHR</u> produce when it introduced <u>Allscripts Remote at the HIMSS conference in 2009</u>. That was one of the only mobile related announcements that came out of the event, which is in stark contrast to the smartphone and tablet filled booths lining the exhibit hall in the years since.

In 2010, Allscripts offered up Sunrise Mobile MD II, a web-based remote access portal designed for iPad users. The iPhone version, Sunrise Mobile MD, had similar features and launched shortly beforehand. The company also launched <u>a home care EHR app</u> in 2010. It was also the first EHR to integrate with WellDoc's DiabetesManager mobile and web-based program.

Allscripts points to data from Physicians Consulting Network which polled 5,000 physicians last year and found that about 27 percent owned an iPad or a similar device, which was about five times higher than the adoption rate among the general population at the time.

Allscripts expects Wand will help clinicians to more easily and quickly review a chart before entering the exam room; input real-time information like vitals and medications from the exam room; and access EHR information after hours. The native iPad interface brings new features too: Users can now view a timeline of key patient information such as lab results, medications, vitals, and more; review appointment lists and current patient status; retrieve patient data quickly, with drill-down access to details; ePrescribe with electronic transmission to pharmacies; and resolve tasks and respond to messages with a quick swipe of the screen, according to the company.

More in the press release below.