

MORNING CMO REPORT

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Use of the Interim Summary Note

Applies to All Providers

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When a patient is handed off from one service to another (e.g., MICU to floor), it is valuable to include a summary of the care to date and major outstanding issues. In the past, residents would enter a “discharge summary” for that purpose. However, use of the discharge summary template in EPIC triggers a note being sent to the PCP – thus they may receive several “discharge summaries” during a patient’s hospitalization. To avoid this confusion, IMT has created a new note type - “Interim Summary” which should be used for this purpose. Please see below for brief description.

Epic TIP SHEET

Using the Interim Summary Note

A new note type has been added to the system. For example, when a post-surgery patient is transferred from the Surgery service to Medicine, the surgeon can write an Interim Summary Note to summarize their care and facilitate hand-off.



Writing and Finding the Interim Summary Note

- To write an Interim Summary, click **New Note** and click **New Note**
- In the new note window, select **Interim Summary** and click **Accept**. Then, simply write the note as you would any other.

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The screenshot shows the Epic EMR interface for a patient named Tricia Purple. The 'Notes' menu is open, and the 'New Note' button is circled in red. Below the menu, it says '3 of 3 notes displayed' and 'Time Mark the patient'. To the right, a 'Category Select' dialog box is open, showing a list of note types. The 'Interim Summary' category is highlighted in red.

Title	Number
AMB Clinic Admit Note	1600020
AMB Clinic Discharge Note	1600021
AMB Clinic Treatment Plan Note	1600022
Asthma Action Plan	3043333
Brief Op Note	1000000
CDI Query	2300010
Code Documentation	10000
Consults	2
Discharge Summaries	5
Downtime Event Note	1000005
ED Notes	6
ED Provider Notes	19
ED SANE Note	1600019
H&P	4
Independent Donor Advocate Note	3043333
Interim Summary	3043333
Interim Summary	3043333
Lactation Note	3043333
Medical Student Note	1000027
Multidisciplinary Rounds	3044444
Office Note	1000021
Office Note MQ	1000023
Operative Note	1000004
OR Nursing	10
Patient Care Conference	1000002
Plan of Care	1000001
Procedures	3

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Outstanding Physician Comments

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Each week we receive written comments from our patients regarding the care we provide within the Hospital. Below are this week's comments from grateful patients receiving care on the units at Upstate:

9G – “Dr. Ali Hazama is an excellent doctor with the concern & attitude that all doctors should strive for.”

10E – “Dr. Ajeet Gajra was wonderful – so kind & compassionate!”

6B – “ER doctor – AJ who was considerate & on top of my care while in the ER.”

10E – Dr. Ajeet Gajra – kind doctor, explains everything clearly, makes me feel comfortable.”

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