



Therapy Scheduling and Tracking

Scheduling Therapy in a Health Care Facility

Scheduling patients for therapies or physician visits, recording the services actually performed, and billing for these services are daunting tasks for any health care facility.

Care-givers prefer to utilize their limited time helping those for whom they care. The clerical effort necessary to schedule and track appointments is an unwelcome, expensive and time consuming burden.

The *Visual Scheduling and Tracking* system frees the care-giver from the onerous burden of scheduling and tracking appointments by using a unique point-and-click method that eliminates the need for keyboard entry. **Physician Orders.** Physician orders for therapy or other services are entered on-line. The start and end dates are specified and the type of service is selected using pull-down boxes. Additional details of the order may be specified using free format input.

Scheduling. When therapy or other services are ordered, the sessions are scheduled by selecting the date and time on a calendar and by specifying the type of treatment. For example, when physical therapy is ordered, pull-down boxes are available for selecting the type of therapy, and HCPCS codes (see fig. 1). To aid the therapist in scheduling the therapy sessions, a list of the patient's prior appointments appear.

The scheduled appointments are recorded and when care-givers begin their daily routine, the services to be performed appear on their screen (see fig. 2).

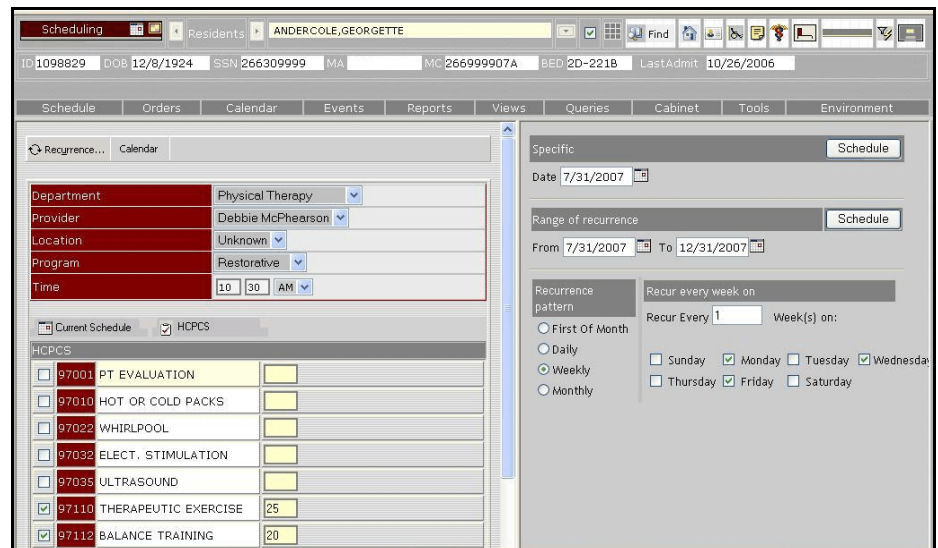


Fig. 1: Scheduling Therapy

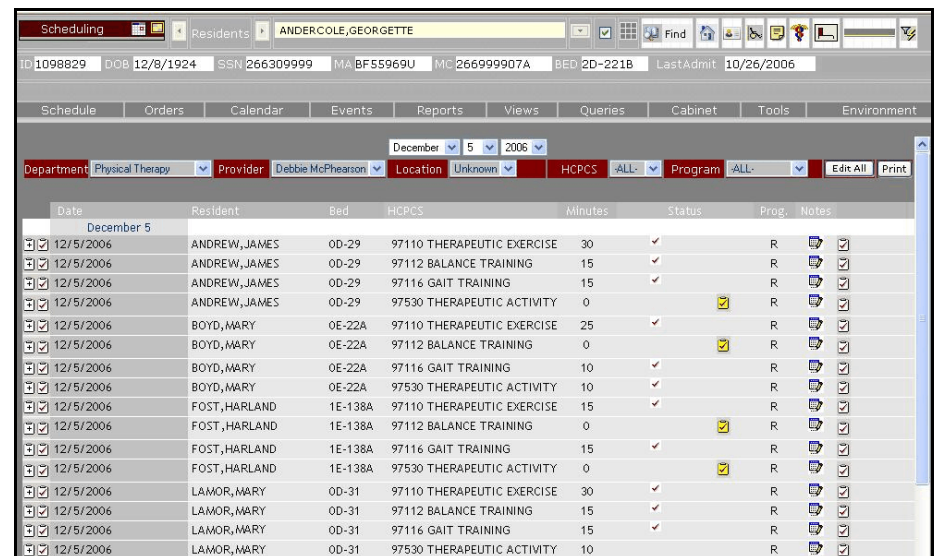


Fig. 2: Therapist's Schedule

Tracking Services Performed. When a therapist or a doctor treat a patient they simply check off a box alongside the patient for whom the service was performed and the session is recorded. Ancillary and HCPCS codes can be specified when the therapy is scheduled or when it is actually performed.

Interdisciplinary Progress Notes. Notes relating to a therapy session are formatted by the system and include the details of the services performed. These, and other notes added by the therapist, become an integral part of the interdisciplinary *Visual Progress Notes* system.

Nursing Unit. Nursing units track the whereabouts of their patients on-line, by viewing their appointments in the order they are scheduled or in a calendar format.

Billing for Therapy. As the therapist confirms that the therapy was performed, the information is recorded and becomes available to the *CHARTS Billing Software* for automated billing and accounts receivable.

Language and Platform. The *Visual Scheduling and Tracking* system is a point-and-click fully integrated GUI Windows based system that operates on Microsoft NT networks and attached Windows or NT PCs.

The system is a Web-based solution operating within the Microsoft Internet Explorer. Active Server Pages combining HTML, reusable ActiveX components, Java and Visual Basic scripting provide a graphical point-and-click user interface.

The data base is Microsoft's SQL Server and printing of reports is accomplished with the user-friendly Crystal Reporting.

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Fig. 3: Monthly Summary by Resident