

Urgent Care Phone Note Documentation Without Visit

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There are situations that occur within the Urgent Care setting in which the patient may call the facility and not end up being seen. During these situations it is important to document these phone conversations for both medical and legal reasons. Please note that NO medical advice would be given over the phone by Urgent Care practices. The following is an education on how to create a Phone Note for a patient calling into Urgent Care.

If the patient has been seen at the Urgent Care facility in the past, select the most recent "WIC" encounter.

If the patient has not been seen at the Urgent care facility in the past, select the most recent encounter available from the list, regardless of facility.

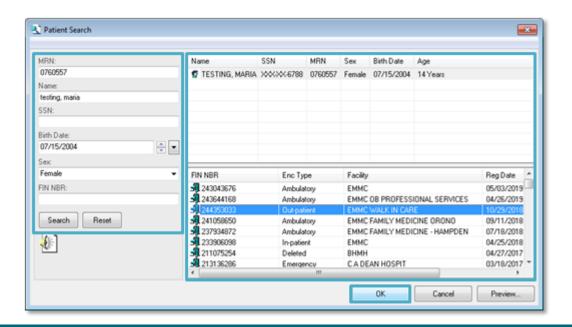
If the patient is unavailable from the chart (does not have a MRN), use the paper process in place at your facility for documenting this conversation.

Creating a Phone Note

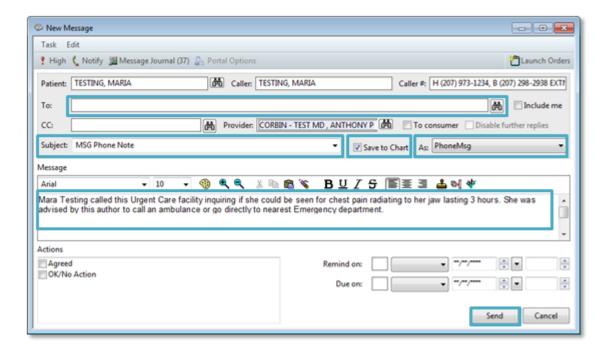
- > From Message Center
 - Click the Communicate button in the toolbar.



- Use the binoculars in the Caller field to search for the patient using demographic details, such as name, DOB, SSN, etc.
- In the patient search window, select the patient's name in the upper pane, using at least two patient identifiers to ensure correct patient selection.
- Select the appropriate encounter.



- Once the correct patient and encounter have been selected, click **OK** in the search window.
- The patient's name now populates the **Patient** and **Caller** boxes of the New Message window.
- Be sure that the Save to Chart option is selected in the phone note message window.
- Search for the appropriate pool or person to send the request to in the To: field.
 - If it is not necessary to send this documentation to another user, leave the To: field blank
- Select the appropriate subject options from the **Subject** dropdown.
- Be sure that the note is being Saved As PhoneMsg.
- Add documentation of the phone conversation in the body of the phone note as appropriate.



- When complete, click Send.
 - If the Phone message has no one in the To: field, a message will display stating "This message will be saved to the patient's chart. Are you sure you do not want to send it to anyone?"



- Click Yes.
- The Phone Note will now be saved in the patient's chart.

Locating Phone Message Documentation

> From Documentation:

- Navigate to the **Documentation** section of the patient's chart.
- The documents listed can be filtered by type to group together all messages saved as **PhoneMsg**.
- A **Personal Note Types List filter** can also be created by clicking the ellipsis button.
- Click a phone note to preview in the right pane.

From Notes:

- Navigate to the **Notes** section of the patient's chart.
- Filter notes by type and select the folder for Other Documents>PhoneMsg.
- Double-click a phone note to preview in the right pane.

