

Handheld Resources

- Selected Medical Software for Handhelds
- Useful Medical and General Handheld Sites
- Handouts from recent PDA workshops

Sampling of Popular Medical Software for Handhelds

Titles:

Brief Descriptions

Platform

Cost

Size*

Web-site(s)

qRx and qRx Pro
by ePocrates

Extensive database. Menu driven, intuitive interface. Regularly updated. qRx Pro adds Alternative Meds, qID- Antimicrobial reference, and MedMath- medical calculator.

Palm OS
Pocket PC

Rx=Free
RxPro=\$60/yr

~2.5MB
~3.0MB

www.epocrates.com

Lexi-Drugs Platinum Extensive database. Improved interface. Menu Driven. Separate Peds reference available.

Palm OS
Pocket PC

\$75

~2MB

www.lexi.com ABX Guide
by Johns Hopkins Division of Infectious Diseases
Search by Organ, Pathogen, or Drug for diagnostic and therapeutic information. Regularly updated by ID experts. Palm OS

Pocket PC Free~1.3MB
hopkins-abxguide.org Sanford Guide Handheld version of the well respected antimicrobial guide. Palm OS
Pocket PC~\$25/yr~1.5MB www.sanfordguide.com

Tarascon Pocket Pharmacopoeia

Similar database to paper version. ***Currently undergoing revision - new version to be released shortly***

Palm OS
Pocket PC

~\$30/yr

~1MB

www.tarasconpublishing.com

Pocket PDR

Contains concise drug monographs extracted from the full text in the PDR.

Palm OS

Pocket PC

\$60

~1.4MB

www.franklin.com/pdr/

"Free" to MDs, DOs, NPs, residents via Pharmaceutical company sponsorship at: www.pdr.net

Physicians Drug Handbook 9th Ed.

Over 5000 drugs, no Pediatric info. Quick access to data via hyperlinks. Can run from memory expansion card.

Palm OS

Pocket PC

\$75

~2MB

www.handheldmed.com

Harrison's Manual of Medicine 15e

Concise version of major Internal Medicine text. Searchable.

Palm OS

Pocket PC

\$70

~1.2MB

www.handango.com

The Merck Manual, Centennial Edition

Full text of paper version. Takes up much memory. Searchable, requires much scrolling to read text.

Palm OS

Pocket PC

\$80

Free via MerckMedicus

~5 MB

www.handheldmed.com Merck Medicus Medical resources sponsored by Merck & Co. Inc. Free of charge to medical professionals. Wireless version now available. Palm OS, Pocket PC, (Blackberry - wireless version) "Free" 8.0-9.0MB

Or, search wirelessly with Internet capable devices.

www.merckmedicus.com

The 5 Minute Clinical Consult 2003

Full text of paper version. Organization allows for helpful hyperlinking to subcategories.

Palm OS

Pocket PC

\$65

~3 MB

www.skyscape.com

www.handheldmed.com ACP Pier for PDA

Evidence-based medical reference by the American College of PhysiciansPalm OS

Pocket PC

\$99 30-40 MB

www.acponline.org/...pier_pda/

MedCalcAllows quick computation of common Internal Medicine calculationsPalm OSFree105 kbwww.med-ia.ch/medcalc/MedMathCalculator with a nice interface that also allows for common Internal Medicine calculationsPalm OSFree40 kbwww.pdacortex.com/MedMath_Download.htm MedRulesAllows easy application of clinical prediction rules based on medical literaturePalm OSFree324 kbpbrain.hypermart.net/medrules.htmlStat E&M CoderFacilitates accurate E&M coding based on physician documentation.Palm OS\$75/2yrs324 kbwww.statcoder.com/

Price information according to companies' web sites as of October, 2003.

*Palm OS and PocketPC devices handle memory differently. Memory Sizes listed are for Palm OS. Windows/PC device memory requirements are usually larger.

Useful General and Medical Handheld Web Sites

Titles:

Brief Descriptions

Palm

(www.palmone.com)

Home of the Palm OS and Palm devices. Includes extensive information and resources on Palm OS computers and links to related sites and resources.

PalmGear HQ

(www.palmgear.com)

General site for downloading Palm shareware, freeware, commercial demos, and a variety of hardware & accessories.

Handango

(www.handango.com)

General handheld hardware, software, accessories and information. (formerly Palm Central).

Handheld Med

(www.handheldmed.com)

Physician and medical student founded site provides sales of patient tracking and a multitude of electronic medical reference applications as well as columns & reviews.

PDA-MD

(www.pdamd.com)

Informative product reviews, discussion boards, sale of handheld products.

Peripheral Brain

(pbrain.hypermart.net)

Home to several useful programs including MedRules and Shots designed by Kent Williard, MD. Contains links to many other useful resources.

Healthy PalmPilot

(www.healthypalmpilot.com)

Large database of Palm related healthcare resources organized by categories like diagnostic, references, research, etc.

ACP PDA Portal

(www.acponline.org/pda/)List of resources including references and selected ACP-ASIM publications for download

Handhelds.

Handouts from recent workshops

My colleagues and I conduct workshops on the use of handhelds in medicine. Below are links to handouts from some of our recent workshops.

Location/Date

Title/Link

ACP Internal Medicine 2008 Annual Meeting,

Washington DC, May 2008

Useful Medical Applications Using Palm OS

ACP Internal Medicine 2008 Annual Meeting,

Washington DC, May 2008

Useful Medical Applications Using Windows Mobile

ACP Internal Medicine 2008 Annual Meeting,

Washington DC, May 2008

Getting Started with PDAs: Palm and Windows Mobile Devices in Practice