Pharmacy-Related PDA Tools

There are no banner ads, and it has an easy-to-use interface.

Cons: It is huge — you almost definitely need an expansion memory card for this one. In addition, it is not available on Pocket PC yet.

ePocrates MedTools
Creator: Epocrates Inc.
www.epocrates.com
Handheld: Palm OS and Pocket PC
(limited tools)*
Size: 150 KB to 1.5 MB PLUS ePocrates Rx
Price: FREE

ePocrates MedTools is a collection of invaluable resources for pharmacists.

Pros: The user chooses which tools to install, avoiding wasted space on tools not needed. The individual utilizes are small. It integrates with ePocrates Rx. It has a simple, easy-to-use interface.

Cons: This set of tools requires that a version of ePocrates Rx be installed as well, which can end up using a lot of memory. There are banner ads at utility startup. The tools are not at fingertips unless

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you are already running ePocrates. In addition many utilities aren't available yet for Pocket PC.

**STATCholesterol:** This utility helps derive a Framingham risk score based on the ATP III guidelines. It also has reference information on the guidelines and cholesterol – a must have! (Palm OS only)

**HTNQuickref:** Derived from the JNC7 guidelines, this utility provides information about classification, treatment and reference (even ICD-9 codes). It reports expected decreases in mmHg for different therapeutic lifestyle changes – another must have! (Palm OS only)

**Psychiatry Compendia:** This utility is a great reference for the most common psychological illnesses including epidemiology, Hx and PE, diagnosis, treatment and more. (Palm OS only)

**GFR Calculator:** Provides simple plug and play for GFR calculation using MDRD, abbreviated MDRD and Cockcroft-Gault. (Palm OS only)

**Insulin Dosing Calculator:** This utility will help with dosing some insulin, but is rather limited. It also has notes on the ADA treatment goals. (Palm OS only)

**IV Drip Rate Calculator:** A nice calculator that will help calculate weight-based IV-drip rates.

**NCI Tumor Staging Reference:** This utility allows you to access staging information on most common cancers alphabetically or by location/system in the body. (Palm OS only)

**MedMath:** This utility is great for many common calculations including anion gap, number needed to treat, QTc, dosing calculator and more.

**Temperature Conversion:** This utility is a quick way to convert from C to F and vice-versa. It may save some time in converting temperature.

**ePocrates Tutorial:** This utility helps familiarize the user with ePocrates and its many features. (Palm OS only)

Many of these tools and more are available at www.statcoder.com where many of these tools were originally created. If you do not use ePocrates Rx or if you have a Pocket PC, use the utilities here. There are no ads on the utilities and there are some additional utilities that are not available in the ePocrates MedTools, such as ICD-9 coder, GRACE Risk, and A-Fib/Stroke risk. Almost all of the tools on this Web site are available for the Pocket PC!

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