



# **OUTPATIENT PHARMACY (PSO)**

## **MANAGER'S USER MANUAL**

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# Revision History

Each time this manual is updated, the Title Page lists the new revised date and this page describes the changes. If the Revised Pages column lists “All,” replace the existing manual with the reissued manual. If the Revised Pages column lists individual entries (e.g., 25, 32), either update the existing manual with the Change Pages Document or print the entire new manual.

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# Preface

This user manual describes the functional characteristics of Outpatient Pharmacy V. 7.0. It is intended for pharmacists and technicians who are familiar with the functioning of Outpatient Pharmacy in a Veterans Affairs Medical Center (VAMC).

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# Chapter 1: Label/Profile Monitor Reprint

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This mini-chapter defines the option for handling printer malfunctions.

## Label Profile Monitor Reprint

[PSO B]

When a printer malfunction occurs, up to 1000 (or more depending on the Label Profile Monitor Max site parameter) damaged labels or profiles can be reprinted. Enter the failed output device name and the last usable label or profile.

# Chapter 2: Implementing and Maintaining Outpatient Pharmacy

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## Maintenance (Outpatient Pharmacy)

[PSO MAINTENANCE]

The *Maintenance (Outpatient Pharmacy)* menu contains the options that are used for implementing and maintaining the Outpatient Pharmacy software. These options are:

- *Site Parameter Enter/Edit*
- *Edit Provider*
- *Add New Providers*
- *Queue Background Jobs*
- *Autocancel Rx's on Admission*
- *Bingo Board Manager ...*
- *Edit Data for a Patient in the Clozapine Program*
- *Enter/Edit Clinic Sort Groups*
- *Initialize Rx Cost Statistics*
- *Edit Pharmacy Intervention*
- *Delete Intervention*
- *Auto-delete from Suspense*
- *Delete a Prescription*
- *Enter/Edit Automated Dispensing Devices*
- *Expire Prescriptions*
- *Manual Auto Expire Rxs*
- *Prescription Cost Update*
- *Purge Drug Cost Data*
- *Purge External Batches*
- *Recompile AMIS Data*

Site Parameter	Description
RECENTLY DC'D/EXPIRED DAYS	Allow local facilities to set a timeframe (7-45 days) for which a discontinued or expired outpatient medication order will be identified as 'recently discontinued/expired'. Default value is 7 days.
NEW LABEL STOCK	This field will be used to determine which medication label stock will be used.
EXTERNAL INTERFACE	This field allows sites to alter the characteristics of the external interface. The Set of Codes field have the following values:  0 - the external interface is off 1 - send all drugs to the external interface; print labels locally 2 - send all drugs to the external interface; don't print labels locally 3 - send only marked drugs to the external interface; don't print labels locally 4 - send only marked drugs to external interface and print labels through VistA.
DISPENSING SYSTEM PRINTER	This field identifies the name of the printer(s) that, when selected, and the interface is in use, an HL7 message is generated to the dispensing system.
BLANK LABEL BETWEEN PATIENTS	This field will determine if a blank label should print between patients on the label printers.
VERIFYING PHARMACIST ON LABELS	This site parameter will determine if the name of the verifying pharmacist or the name of the person who made the order request will print on the Rx label. If the parameter is set to Yes the verifying pharmacist name will print.
AUTOMATED DISPENSE	This field will determine what version of the automated dispense machine this site is running. If the machine is older than HL7 V.2.4, enter letter O, if HL7 V.2.4 has been installed, enter 2.4.
FILE RELEASE DATE/TIME	This field is used to indicate if the release date/time is to be filed for the prescription dispensed by an external interface.
ENABLE MASTER FILE UPDATE	This field will determine if the automated dispense machines are ready to receive HL7 V.2.4 messages.
DISPENSE DNS NAME	This is the DNS computer name of the automated dispensing machine that is used for this outpatient site division.
DISPENSE DNS PORT	Enter the DNS port number associated with the automated dispense machine for this outpatient pharmacy site division.
OPAI	This multiple field will allow any one division to have more than one Automated Dispensing Device (ADD) communicating with VistA through the Outpatient Pharmacy Automated Interface (OPAI). It is linked to the DISPENSING SYSTEM PRINTER (#59.0200801) field. When a label printer is selected during Patient Prescription Processing, HL7 messages for orders will be routed based on the automated dispensing devices defined in this multiple.

The CPRS ORDERING INSTITUTION field in the OUTPATIENT SITE file allows multiple Institutions to be entered for the local site. If more than one Institution is entered for a site, the user can select the appropriate Institution when using the *Complete Orders from OERR* option and complete Pending Orders from clinics that are associated with the specific Institution selected.

<b>Site Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
CPRS ORDERING INSTITUTION	This field is used when completing orders from CPRS. If there is only one Institution entry, then when completing orders from CPRS under this Outpatient site, only those orders from that Institution will be shown. If there is more than one entry, then the Institution will be prompted for when completing orders from CPRS, and only those orders associated with that Institution selected will be shown.
RELATED INSTITUTION	Institution associated with the site.
LOGICAL LINK	This is a pointer to the Logical Link file (#870). This link is used to transmit messages to an external (client) application. This field is not filled in when messages are exchanged between DHCP applications on the same system. This field will be used as the Logical Link for the prescription if there is a Clinic associated with the prescription, and the Institution derived from that Clinic has an entry in this CPRS ORDERING INSTITUTION multiple with an associated Logical Link.
NPI INSTITUTION	This is the institution or division that has the National Provider Identifier (NPI) value for this Outpatient Site. No two Outpatient Site entries in this file should point to the same INSTITUTION file entry. (Note that the RELATED INSTITUTION field differs from this field and is the parent institution which may be the same for any or all of the Outpatient Site entries.)
LABEL/PROFILE MONITOR MAX	Maximum number of label/profiles to be stored in the Label/Profile Monitor list for each printer device. The default and minimum value for this number is 1000. Each time the printer is used an entry is made in the Label/Profile monitor and if the monitor holds more entries than specified by this parameter, the oldest entry is deleted.
NARCOTICS NUMBERED DIFFERENTLY	This field is used to determine if narcotics will be numbered differently from other medications/supplies.
NARCOTIC LOWER BOUND	This field is used to determine what prescription numbers narcotics are to start with if narcotics are numbered differently from other prescriptions/supplies.
NARCOTIC UPPER BOUND	This field is used to determine the highest prescription number used for narcotics if this type of medication is numbered differently from other medications/supplies.
LAST NARCOTIC NUMBER ISSUED	This field is used to indicate last number issued for narcotic medications.
PRESCRIPTION # LOWER BOUND	This field is used to enter the lowest prescription number for this site.
PRESCRIPTION # UPPER BOUND	This field is used to enter the highest prescription number for this site.
LAST PRESCRIPTION # ISSUED	This field is used to store the last RX number used.
IB SERVICE/SECTION	Select the appropriate entry in the Service/Section file (#49) that is to be used for the Pharmacy Copayment/Integrated Billing procedures.

The Domain Name Server (DNS) information of the automated dispensing device is appended to the Comment field of the activity log. This is usually an IP address or the DNS name.

The activity log has an entry indicating that the Rx has been sent to the external interface. With patch PSO\*7\*354, this activity entry is enhanced to indicate the routing automated dispensing device. The Domain Name Server (DNS) information of the automated dispensing device is appended to the Comment field of the activity log. This is usually an IP address or the DNS name.

The activity log was also updated to display the mail tracking information available in the RXD-13 segment of the HL7 message received by VistA from the external dispensing interface.

Example: Activity Log with multiple dispensing devices

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Rx Activity Log                               May 23, 2011@12:30:12           Page: 2 of 3
OUTPATIENT,SIX                                  <A>
  PID: 355-43-4343                               Ht (cm): _____ (_____)
  DOB: OCT 29,1932 (78)                         Wt (kg): _____ (_____)
+
1  05/04/11  REPRINT          ORIGINAL          OPPHARMACIST4,FOUR
Comments: TESTING MULTIDEVICES (1 COPIES)
2  05/04/11  X-INTERFACE        ORIGINAL          OPPHARMACIST4,FOUR
Comments: Prescription (Reprint) sent to external interface.
3  05/04/11  X-INTERFACE        ORIGINAL          POSTMASTER
Comments: HL7 ID - 50073974 MESSAGE TRANSMITTED TO 10.4.131.13
4  05/04/11  X-INTERFACE        ORIGINAL          POSTMASTER
Comments: HL7 ID - 50073975 MESSAGE TRANSMITTED TO 10.4.142.22
Comments: External Interface Dispensing is Complete.  Filled By: OPTECH,ONE
          Checking Pharmacist: OPPHARMACIST4,FOUR
          Mail Tracking Info.: USPS #123456789 received at 05/04/11@15:32:23

Label Log:
#   Date       Rx Ref          Printed By
=====
1   05/02/11   ORIGINAL        OPPHARMACIST4,FIVE
Comments: From RX number 100002987
2   05/04/11   ORIGINAL        OPPHARMACIST4,FOUR
Comments: From RX number 100002987 (Reprint)
+       Enter ?? for more actions
Select Action:Next Screen
  
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## Reprint an Outpatient Rx Label

### [PSO RXRPT]

The label reprint function allows a single label or many copies of the same label to be reproduced. When the patient is enrolled in ScripTalk®, a message is displayed to the user indicating this and prompting the user to use the ScripTalk® label for the prescription bottle.

Example: Reprinting an Outpatient Rx Label

```
Select Rx (Prescriptions) Option: REPRINT AN OUTPATIENT RX LABEL

Reprint Prescription Label: 400693          ADHESIVE TAPE WATERPROOF 1IN ROLL
Patient is a ScripTalk patient. Use ScripTalk label for prescription bottle.

Number of Copies? : (1-99): 1// <Enter>
Print adhesive portion of label only? N// <Enter> 0
Do you want to send to External Interface Device? No// ?

Enter either 'Y' or 'N'.

Do you want to send to External Interface Device? No// NO
Comments:

Rx # 400693          06/27/03
OPPATIENT16,ONE          #1

AS DIR ON AFFECTED AREA

ADHESIVE TAPE WATERPROOF 1IN ROLL
OPPROVIDER30,TWO          OPPHARMACIST4,THREE
# of Refills: 2
```

When reprinting, you can choose whether or not you want to resend to a dispensing device using an external interface. If you do choose to resend, then the prescription will be sent to the dispensing system, and an entry will be made in the label log. This documents that this was a reprint and also resent to the dispensing system device. If you do not resend the prescription to the dispensing device, then only one entry is made in the label log.

Example: Reprinting an Outpatient Rx Label – Multiple Dispensing Device

```
Select Rx (Prescriptions) Option: REPRINT AN OUTPATIENT RX LABEL

Reprint Prescription Label: 100002987          BACLOFEN 10MG TABS
Number of Copies? : (1-99): 1//
Print adhesive portion of label only? ? No//  NO
Do you want to resend to Dispensing System Device? No// y  YES
Comments: Multipe dispensing devices

Rx # 100002987          05/02/11
OPPATIENT,TEN          #7

TAKE ONE TABLET BY BY MOUTH EVERY DAY FOR 7 DAYS

BACLOFEN 10MG TABS
OPPHARMACIST,FOUR          OPPHARMACIST,NINE
# of Refills: 7

Select LABEL DEVICE: LEXMARK5$PRT

LABEL(S) QUEUED TO PRINT

PRESCRIPTIONS SENT TO:
SCRIPTPRO1
  100002987          BACLOFEN 10MG TABS

STORAGE DEVICES
SCRIPTCENTER
  100002987          BACLOFEN 10MG TABS
```

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## Signature Log Reprint

### [PSO SIGLOG REPRINT]

This option allows the user to reprint the Signature Log for a prescription. The system will prompt for a prescription number and printer device. The user will receive a system confirmation that this log has been queued to print.

Example: Reprinting a Signature Log

```
Select Rx (Prescriptions) Option: Signature Log Reprint
Reprint Signature Log for Prescription: 100002277A PREDNISONE 20MG S.T.
Select LABEL DEVICE: LEX2 LEX2$PRT Bay Pines
Signature Log Reprint queued
```

## View Prescriptions

### [PSO VIEW]

View the most complete information available for a specific prescription. The activity log lists the date, reason, prescription reference (Rx Ref), the initiator of the activity, and comments. The label log lists the date, prescription (Rx Ref), the person who printed it, and comments. Prescriptions with a deleted status cannot be viewed.

Site Parameter	Description
LOGICAL LINK	This is a pointer to the Logical Link file (#870). This link is used to transmit messages to an external (client) application. This field is not filled in when messages are exchanged between DHCP applications on the same system. This field will be used as the Logical Link for the prescription if there is no Clinic associated with the prescription, or if there is a Clinic associated with the prescription, but the Institution derived from that Clinic does not have an entry in the CPRS ORDERING INSTITUTION multiple with an associated Logical Link for that Outpatient Site entry.
DISPENSE DNS NAME	This is the DNS computer name of the automated dispensing machine that is used for this outpatient site division.
DISPENSE DNS PORT	Enter the DNS port number associated with the automated dispense machine for this outpatient pharmacy site division.
DISPENSING SYSTEM PRINTER	This field identifies the name of the dispensing system printer device. When the user selects this printer device and the external interface is in use, an HL7 message will be generated.
OPAI	This multiple field identifies the Automated Dispensing Devices (ADD) associated with the DISPENSING SYSTEM PRINTER (#59.0200801) field. When the user selects a label printer during Patient Prescription Processing, and the external interface is in use, an HL7 messages will be generated and routed to the appropriate automated dispensing devices defined in this multiple.

The following example displays all of the prompts that are possible with the Site Parameter Enter/Edit option. The prompts displayed at each site will depend upon that site's settings.

#### Example: Site Parameter Enter/Edit - all fields

```
Select Maintenance (Outpatient Pharmacy) Option: SITE Parameter Enter/Edit

Select SITE NAME: ALBANY 500
Would you like to see all site parameters for this division? Y// NO

NAME: ALBANY// <Enter>
MAILING FRANK STREET ADDRESS: 114 ANYSTREET AVE// <Enter>
AREA CODE: 555// <Enter>
PHONE NUMBER: 555-1234// <Enter>
MAILING FRANK ZIP+4 CODE: 55555// <Enter>
SITE NUMBER: 123// <Enter>
NCPDP NUMBER: <Enter>
MAILING FRANK CITY: ANY CITY// <Enter>
MAILING FRANK STATE: ANY STATE// <Enter>
MAILING COMMENTS: <Enter>
INACTIVE DATE: <Enter>
HOLD FUNCTION?: NO// <Enter>
SUSPENSE FUNCTION?: YES// <Enter>
CANCEL DRUG IN SAME CLASS: YES// <Enter>
REFILL INACTIVE DRUG RXS: YES// <Enter>
ASK METHOD OF PICKUP: YES// <Enter>
PASS MEDS ON PROFILE: YES// <Enter>
PROFILE `SORT BY' DEFAULT: DATE// <Enter>
COPIES ON NEW: YES// <Enter>
DRUG CHECK FOR CLERK: YES// <Enter>
FEE BASIS SUPPORT: YES// <Enter>
MULTI RX REQUEST FORM: YES// <Enter>
BARCODES ON REQUEST FORMS: BOTH// <Enter>
BARCODES ON ACTION PROFILES: YES// <Enter>
VERIFICATION: YES// <Enter>
```

```
DISPLAY GROUP: OUTPATIENT// <Enter>
SCREEN PROFILES: YES// <Enter>
EDIT PATIENT DATA: YES// <Enter>
EDIT DRUG: YES// <Enter>
RENEWING RX'S ALLOWED: YES// <Enter>
PASS MEDS CANCEL: NO// <Enter>
```

**Example: Site Parameter Enter/Edit - all fields (continued)**

```
AUTO SUSPEND: YES// <Enter>
SHALL COMPUTER ASSIGN RX #S: YES// <Enter>
PROFILE WITH NEW PRESCRIPTIONS: NO// <Enter>
SLAVED LABEL PRINTING: YES// <Enter>
METHADONE PROGRAM: NO// <Enter>
METHADONE DRUG: METHADONE SOLUTION (METHADOSE)// <Enter>
DAYS TO PULL FROM SUSPENSE: 2// <Enter>
DAYS TO PULL SUSPENDED CS CMOP: <Enter>
NEW LABEL STOCK: YES// <Enter>
EXTERNAL INTERFACE: SEND ALL ORDERS AND PRINT LABEL
// <Enter>
Select DISPENSING SYSTEM PRINTER: PLANO5$PRT// <Enter>
DISPENSING SYSTEM PRINTER: PLANO5$PRT// <Enter>
DNS Name: OPTIFILL// <Enter>
CATEGORY: ANY// <Enter>
SELECT DNS NAME: <ENTER>
Select DISPENSING SYSTEM PRINTER: <Enter>
BLANK LABEL BETWEEN PATIENTS: <Enter>
VERIFYING PHARMACIST ON LABELS: YES// <Enter>
AUTOMATED DISPENSE: HL7 V.2.4// <Enter>
FILE RELEASE DATE/TIME: YES// <Enter>
ENABLE MASTER FILE UPDATE: <Enter>
DISPENSE DNS NAME: <Enter>
DISPENSE DNS PORT: <Enter>
Select CPRS ORDERING INSTITUTION: TROY// <Enter>
CPRS ORDERING INSTITUTION: TROY// <Enter>
LOGICAL LINK: <Enter>
Select CPRS ORDERING INSTITUTION: <Enter>
RELATED INSTITUTION: ALBANY// <Enter>
NPI INSTITUTION: <Enter>
LABEL/PROFILE MONITOR MAX: 1000// <Enter>
NARCOTICS NUMBERED DIFFERENTLY: YES// <Enter>
NARCOTIC LOWER BOUND: 10000// <Enter>
NARCOTIC UPPER BOUND: 99999// <Enter>
PRESCRIPTION # LOWER BOUND: 100000999// <Enter>
PRESCRIPTION # UPPER BOUND: 500000000// <Enter>
IB SERVICE/SECTION: PHARMACY// <Enter>
NARRATIVE FOR COPAY DOCUMENT:<Enter>
```

*The copay narrative displays here.*

```
Edit? NO//
NARRATIVE REFILLABLE RX:
*****
```

*The narrative for refillable RXs displays here.*

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*****
```

```
Edit? NO// <Enter>
NARRATIVE NON-REFILLABLE RX:. . .
. . .
```

*The narrative for non-refillable RXs displays here.*

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=====
Edit? NO// <Enter>
LOGICAL LINK: <Enter>
1.

```

The following example is illustrated for sites who want to utilize the multiple automated dispensing functionality. It displays the prompts answered when setting up multiple automated dispensing devices with the Site Parameter Enter/Edit [PSO SITE PARAMETERS] option.

**Example: Site Parameter Enter/Edit - Multiple Automated Dispensing Devices**

```

Select OPTION NAME: PSO SITE PARAMETERS           Site Parameter Enter/Edit
Site Parameter Enter/Edit
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Division:      ALBANY  500

                You are logged on under the ALBANY division.

Select PROFILE PRINTER: HOME//  GENERIC INCOMING TELNET

Select LABEL PRINTER: HOME//  GENERIC INCOMING TELNET

OK to assume label alignment is correct? YES//

Bingo Board Display: OUTPATIENT//

Select SITE NAME: ALBANY  500
Would you like to see all site parameters for this division? Y// NO

NAME: ALBANY// ^DISPENS
  1  DISPENSE DNS NAME
  2  DISPENSE DNS PORT
  3  DISPENSING SYSTEM PRINTER
CHOOSE 1-3: 3  DISPENSING SYSTEM PRINTER
Select DISPENSING SYSTEM PRINTER: DEVINFO$PRT
DISPENSING SYSTEM PRINTER: DEVINFO$PRT //
Select DNS NAME: OPTIFILL1      14.4.146.1      9021
  DNS NAME: OPTIFILL1//
  CATEGORY: ANY//
Select DNS NAME: SCRIPTCENTER  14.4.239.2      9086
  DNS NAME: SCRIPTCENTER //
  CATEGORY: STORAGE//
Select DNS NAME:
Select DISPENSING SYSTEM PRINTER:

```

- Before adding a “DNS NAME”, the entry must first be added to the PHARMACY AUTOMATED DISPENSING DEVICES file (#52.53) using the Enter/Edit Automated Dispensing Devices [PSO AUTO DISPENSING DEVICE] option.

- The CATEGORY field is a set of codes and is a required field. Categories provide the flexibility of routing RXs to different automated dispensing devices. The following are the valid codes:

Code	Description
MCS	MAIL – CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE
MNCS	MAIL – NONCONTROLLED SUBSTANCE
MAIL	MAIL
WCS	WINDOW – CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE
WNCS	WINDOW – NONCONTROLLED SUBSTANCE
WIND	WINDOW
CS	CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE
NCS	NONCONTROLLED SUBSTANCE
A	ANY
S	STORAGE

**Note:** The “ANY” category is only allowed (with the exception of S-storage) if no other categories are selected for the automated dispensing device and vice versa (i.e., if any other category is selected for the automated dispensing device, then the “ANY” category shall not be selectable). The “ANY” category will not work with any other category except “STORAGE”.

**Note:** “STORAGE” denotes a 24/7 prescription pickup kiosk that stores prescriptions filled electronically by pharmacy and enables pharmacy customers to pick up their prescriptions without waiting in line. It enhances patient satisfaction, ensures the right prescription is delivered to the right patient thus enhancing patient safety, saving pharmacy time, and giving inventory control over the medications dispensed.

The “S” category is allowed in combination with other categories and as standalone.

### Example: Allowable Category Combinations

Allowable Category combinations when associating multiple automated dispensing devices to one dispensing printer:

1. MCS, MNCS, WCS, WNCS, S\*
2. MCS, MNCS, WIND, S\*
3. WCS, WNCS, MAIL, S\*
4. CS, MNCS, WNCS, S\*
5. NCS, WCS, MCS, S\*
6. MAIL, WIND, S\*
7. CS, NCS, S\*
8. ANY, S\*
9. S\*

\*Multiple storage devices can be associated with one dispensing printer.

To avoid conflict, only certain category permutations shall be allowed. For example, users shall not be able to define categories of MCS to one automated dispensing device and MAIL for a different automated dispensing device linked to the same dispensing printer. Otherwise, a controlled substance Rx with a route of Mail would have the potential of being routed to two different automated dispensing devices, which presents a conflict.

Within each set identified above, there can be any combination within each category (for example in #1, categories MCS and WNCS can both be defined for a dispensing printer).

Again, the “ANY” category will not work with any other category except “STORAGE”.

The software will not allow the same category to be defined for different automated dispensing devices associated with a printer.

**Note:** In order to exit the CATEGORY field, you must either enter ^ DNS NAME or select the “S” category.

## View Provider

### [PSO PROVIDER INQUIRE]

This option provides a way to quickly look up basic data for a single provider.

```
Select Supervisor Functions Option: VIEW Provider

Select Provider: OPPROVIDER,THREE  OPPROVIDER,THREE          TO
PROVIDER

Name: OPPROVIDER,THREE
Initials: TO
NON-VA Prescriber: No                Tax ID:
Exclusionary Check Performed:        Date Exclusionary List Checked:
On Exclusionary List:
Exclusionary Checked By:
Authorized to Write Orders: Yes
Requires Cosigner: No                DEA#
Class:                               VA#
Type: Unknown                        NPI#
Remarks:
Synonym(s):  TO
Service/Section: PHARMACY

Select Provider:
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# Glossary

The following table provides definitions for common acronyms and terms used in this manual.

<b>Acronym/Term</b>	<b>Definition</b>
<b>Action Profile</b>	A list of all active and recently canceled or expired prescriptions for a patient sorted by classification. This profile also includes a signature line for each prescription to allow the physician to cancel or renew it.
<b>Activity Log</b>	A log, by date, of changes made to or actions taken on a prescription. An entry is made in this log each time the prescription is edited, canceled, reinstated after being canceled, or renewed. An entry will be made into this log each time a label is reprinted. A CMOP activity log will contain information related to CMOP dispensing activities.
<b>ADD</b>	Automated Dispensing Device
<b>Allergy/ADR Information</b>	Includes non-verified and verified allergy and/or adverse reaction information as defined in the Adverse Reaction Tracking (ART) package. The allergy data is sorted by type (DRUG, OTHER, FOOD). If no data is found for a category, the heading for that category is not displayed.
<b>AMIS</b>	Automated Management Information System
<b>Answer Sheet</b>	An entry in the DUE ANSWER SHEET file. It contains the questions and answers of a DUE questionnaire. This term is also used to refer to the hard copy representation of a DUE ANSWER SHEET entry.
<b>API</b>	Application Programming Interfaces
<b>APSP</b>	Originally Indian Health Service Pharmacy's name space now owned by the Outpatient Pharmacy software.
<b>Bypass</b>	Take no action on a medication order.
<b>CHAMPVA</b>	CHAMPVA (Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Department of Veterans Affairs) is a cost-shared health benefits program established for the dependents and survivors of certain severely disabled and/or deceased veterans.
<b>CMOP</b>	Consolidated Mail Outpatient Pharmacy.
<b>CPRS</b>	Computerized Patient Record System. CPRS is an entry point in VistA that allows the user to enter all necessary orders for a patient in different packages (e.g., Outpatient Pharmacy, Inpatient Pharmacy, etc.) from a single entry point.
<b>Critical</b>	Interactions with severe consequences that require some type of action (finding facts, contacting prescribers) to prevent potential serious harm.
<b>DATUP</b>	Data Update (DATUP). Functionality that allows the Pharmacy Enterprise Customization System (PECS) to send out custom and standard commercial-off-the-shelf (COTS) vendor database changes to update the two centralized databases at Austin and Martinsburg.

<b>Acronym/Term</b>	<b>Definition</b>
<b>DEA</b>	Drug Enforcement Agency
<b>DEA Special Handling</b>	The Drug Enforcement Agency special Handling code used for drugs to designate if they are over-the counter, narcotics, bulk compounds, supply items, etc.
<b>DHCP</b>	See VistA.
<b>DIF</b>	Drug Information Framework
<b>Dispense Drug</b>	The Dispense Drug name has the strength attached to it (e.g., Acetaminophen 325 mg). The name alone without a strength attached is the Orderable Item name.
<b>Dosage Ordered</b>	After the user has selected the drug during order entry, the dosage ordered prompt is displayed.
<b>Drug/Drug Interaction</b>	The pharmacological or clinical response to the administration of a drug combination different from that anticipated from the known effects of the two agents when given alone.
<b>DUE</b>	Drug Usage Evaluation
<b>Expiration/Stop</b>	The date on which a prescription is no longer active. Typically, this date is 30 days after the issue date for narcotics, 365 days after the issue date for other medications and 365 days after the issue date for supplies.
<b>FDB</b>	First DataBank
<b>Finish</b>	Term used for completing orders from Order Entry/Results Reporting V. 3.0.
<b>GUI</b>	Acronym for Graphical User Interface.
<b>Issue Date</b>	The date on which the prescription was written. This date is usually, but not always, the same as the first fill date. This date cannot be later than the first fill date.
<b>HFS</b>	Host File Server.
<b>Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA)</b>	A Federal law that makes a number of changes that have the goal of allowing persons to qualify immediately for comparable health insurance coverage when they change their employment relationships. Title II, Subtitle F, of HIPAA gives HHS the authority to mandate the use of standards for the electronic exchange of health care data; to specify what medical and administrative code sets should be used within those standards; to require the use of national identification systems for health care patients, providers, payers (or plans), and employers (or sponsors); and to specify the types of measures required to protect the security and privacy of personally identifiable health care information. Also known as the Kennedy-Kassebaum Bill, the Kassebaum-Kennedy Bill, K2, or Public Law 104-191.
<b>JCAHO</b>	Acronym for Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations
<b>Label/Profile Monitor</b>	A file for each printer which records, in the order in which they were printed, the last 1000 labels or profiles printed on that printer. This allows a

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	rapid reprint of a series of labels or profiles that were damaged by a printer malfunction or other event.
<b>Local Possible Dosages</b>	Free text dosages that are associated with drugs that do not meet all of the criteria for Possible Dosages.
<b>Medication Instruction File</b>	The MEDICATION INSTRUCTION file is used by Unit Dose and Outpatient Pharmacy. It contains the medication instruction name, expansion and intended use.
<b>Medication Order</b>	A prescription.
<b>Medication Profile</b>	A list of all active or recently canceled or expired prescriptions for a patient sorted either by date, drug, or classification. Unlike the action profile, this profile is for information only and does not provide a signature line for a physician to indicate action to be taken on the prescription.
<b>Medication Routes File</b>	The MEDICATION ROUTES file contains medication route names. The user can enter an abbreviation for each route to be used at the local site. The abbreviation will most likely be the Latin abbreviation for the term.
<b>Med Route</b>	The method in which the prescription is to be administered (e.g., oral, injection).
<b>NCCC</b>	Acronym for National Clozapine Coordinating Center.
<b>Non-Formulary Drugs</b>	The medications, which are defined as commercially available drug products not included in the VA National Formulary.
<b>Non-VA Meds</b>	Term that encompasses any Over-the-Counter (OTC) medications, Herbal supplements, Veterans Health Administration (VHA) prescribed medications but purchased by the patient at an outside pharmacy, and medications prescribed by providers outside VHA. All Non-VA Meds must be documented in patients' medical records.
<b>OPAI</b>	Outpatient Pharmacy Automated Interface
<b>Order</b>	Request for medication.
<b>Orderable Item</b>	An Orderable Item name has no strength attached to it (e.g., Acetaminophen). The name with a strength attached to it is the Dispense drug name (e.g., Acetaminophen 325mg).
<b>Partial Prescription</b>	A prescription that has been filled for a quantity smaller than requested. A possible reason for a partial fill is that a patient is to return to the clinic in ten days but the prescription calls for a thirty-day supply. Partial prescriptions do count as workload but do not count against the total number of refills for a prescription.
<b>Payer</b>	In health care, an entity that assumes the risk of paying for medical treatments. This can be an uninsured patient, a self-insured employer, or a health care plan or Health Maintenance Organization (HMO).
<b>Pending Order</b>	A pending order is one that has been entered by a provider through CPRS without Pharmacy finishing the order. Once Pharmacy has finished the order, it will become active.

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<b>Pharmacy Narrative</b>	OUTPATIENT NARRATIVE field that may be used by pharmacy staff to display information specific to the patient.
<b>Polypharmacy</b>	The administration of many drugs together.
<b>POE</b>	Acronym for Pharmacy Ordering Enhancements (POE) project. Patch PSO*7*46 contains all the related changes for Outpatient Pharmacy.
<b>Possible Dosages</b>	Dosages that have a numeric dosage and numeric dispense units per dose appropriate for administration. For a drug to have possible dosages, it must be a single ingredient product that is matched to the DRUG file. The DRUG file entry must have a numeric strength and the dosage form/unit combination must be such that a numeric strength combined with the unit can be an appropriate dosage selection.
<b>Prescription</b>	This term is now referred to throughout the software as medication orders.
<b>Prescription Status</b>	<p>A prescription can have one of the following statuses.</p> <p><b>Active</b> - A prescription with this status can be filled or refilled.</p> <p><b>Canceled</b> - This term is now referred to throughout the software as Discontinued. (See Discontinued.)</p> <p><b>Discontinued</b> - This status is used when a prescription was made inactive either by a new prescription or by the request of a physician.</p> <p><b>Discontinued (Edit)</b> - Discontinued (Edit) is the status used when a medication order has been edited and causes a new order to be created due to the editing of certain data elements.</p> <p><b>Deleted</b> - This status is used when a prescription is deleted. Prescriptions are no longer physically deleted from the system, but marked as deleted. Once a prescription is marked deleted no access is allowed other than view.</p> <p><b>Expired</b> - This status indicates the expiration date has passed.</p> <p>*Note: A prescription that was canceled or has expired more recently than the date specified by the cutoff date, typically 120 days in the past, can still be acted upon.</p> <p><b>Hold</b> - A prescription that was placed on hold due to reasons determined by the pharmacist.</p> <p><b>Non-verified</b> - There are two types of non-verified statuses. Depending on a site parameter, prescriptions entered by a technician do not become active until a pharmacist reviews them. Until such review, they remain non-verified and cannot be printed, canceled or edited except through the <i>Verification</i> menu.</p> <p>The second non-verified status is given to prescriptions when a drug/drug interaction is encountered during the new order entry or editing of a prescription.</p> <p><b>Pending</b> - A prescription that has been entered through OERR.</p> <p><b>Refill</b> - A second or subsequent filling authorized by the provider.</p> <p><b>Suspended</b> - A prescription that will be filled at some future date.</p>
<b>Progress Notes</b>	A component of Text Integration Utilities (TIU) that can function as part of CPRS.
<b>Provider</b>	The person who authorized an order. Only users identified as providers who

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	are authorized to write medication orders may be selected.
<b>Reprinted Label</b>	Unlike a partial prescription, a reprint does not count as workload.
<b>Questionnaire</b>	An entry in the DUE QUESTIONNAIRE file. This file entry contains the set of questions related to a DUE as well as the drugs being evaluated.
<b>Schedule</b>	The frequency by which the doses are to be administered, such as Q8H, BID, NOW, etc.
<b>Sig</b>	The instructions printed on the label.
<b>Significant</b>	The potential for harm is either rare or generally known so that it is reasonable to expect that all prescribers have taken this information into account.
<b>Speed Actions</b>	See Actions.
<b>Suspense</b>	A prescription may not be able to be filled on the day it was requested. When the prescription is entered, a label is not printed. Rather, the prescription is put in the RX SUSPENSE file to be printed at a later date.
<b>Third (3<sup>rd</sup>) Party Claims</b>	Health care insurance claims submitted to an entity for reimbursement of health care bills.
<b>Time In</b>	This is the time that the patient's name was entered in the computer.
<b>Time Out</b>	This is the time that the patient's name was entered on the bingo board monitor.
<b>TIU</b>	Text Integration Utilities; a package for document handling, that includes Consults, Discharge summary, and Progress Notes, and will later add other document types such as surgical pathology reports. TIU components can be accessed for individual patients through the CPRS, or for multiple patients through the TIU interface.
<b>TRICARE</b>	<p>TRICARE is the uniformed service health care program for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• active duty service members and their families</li> <li>• retired service members and their families</li> <li>• members of the National Guard and Reserves and their families</li> <li>• survivors, and others who are eligible</li> </ul> <p>There are differences in how prescriptions for TRICARE beneficiaries are processed versus how prescriptions are processed for Veterans.</p>
<b>Units per Dose</b>	The number of Units (tablets, capsules, etc.) to be dispensed as a Dose for an order. Fractional numbers will be accepted for medications that can be split.
<b>VistA</b>	Acronym for Veterans Health Information Systems and Technology Architecture, the new name for Decentralized Hospital Computer Program (DHCP).
<b>Wait Time</b>	This is the amount of time it took to fill the prescription. It is the difference between Time In and Time Out. For orders with more than one prescription, the wait time is the same for each.

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