

Allergies / Adverse Reactions

The gathering / documentation of allergy information is the responsibility of **all** licensed health professionals (pharmacists, nurses, physicians, dietitians etc.).

- **Coded** allergies are those contained within the allergen dictionary look up
- **Uncoded** allergies are allergens not found in the lookup and need to be free text into the system.

Allergy/adverse reaction status should be **confirmed** as soon as possible **following each admission for all patients**.

Entering Allergies in the EMR

In an individual patient record click on the little blue **“more info”** icon.



Enterprise Medical Record - Ruzicka, Kim

Horse, Trail Train
 DOB: 1/1/81 36 M
 Ht: 180 cm / Wt: 75 kg BSA: 1.94 m2 BMI: 23.1 kg/m2
 Allergy/AdvReac: amoxicillin, codeine, paper

LH0000033/15 / LH00010189 / ABATVIG00503177-FS1
 Viking Unit 1 Acute EVIA179-1 ADM IN

Summary

The list of allergies will be displayed.

Allergies/Adverse Reactions	Type	Severity	Date	Verified	Comment
<input type="checkbox"/> Allergies for Interaction Checking (2)					
Codeine	Allergy	Mild	1/5/15	Yes	
RASH Amoxicillin	Allergy	Unknown	21/4/15	Yes	
<input type="checkbox"/> BREATHING DIFFICULTY					
<input type="checkbox"/> Uncoded Allergies/Adverse Reactions (1)					
Paper cuts on fingers	Adverse Reaction	Mild	27/4/17		

If no allergies are documented the header will be blank and this screen will display



Allergy/AdvReac: Allergies

Allergies/Adverse Reactions	Type	Severity	Date	Verified	Comment
No Data Entered					



NKA Unable to Obtain Select All Patient Data Audit Trail Confirm Verify Undo Delete Edit Enter New Prev Next Cancel Done ?

- **NKA** – when no allergies or adverse reactions exist
- **Unable to Obtain** – when Allergy data not able to be obtained from patient or responsible person
- **Select All** – selects all allergies
- **Patient Data** – (available for use if in a single visit, cannot be used if Viewing ALL Visits) enter data such as Height and Weight
- **Audit Trail** – display data on when, who and what information was entered in the Allergy Routine
- **Confirm** – all allergy data has been reviewed and remains the same. If any data needs to be changed then use the Edit button
- **Verify** – a licensed health professional uses this to verify allergies that are at Verified “N”
- **Undo** – to remove an allergy (prior to saving) if entered in error
- **Delete** – delete an allergy after it has been saved. If deleting an allergy first **Edit** and indicate in the comment box the reason for Deletion. **Save, Save** and then **Delete**.
- **Edit** – change any data related to that allergen
- **Cancel** – exit the Allergy Management screens if an allergy has been entered in error and not yet saved
- **Done** – completed entering data

Entering a new allergy:

- Click the **Enter New** button at the bottom of the screen.
- As you start typing in the Allergy/Adverse Reaction field, a drop down list appears and starts narrowing the search as each letter of the allergen are entered.

Allergy/Adverse Reaction

Allergy/AdvReac	Other Name	Category
penicillamine		Drug
penicillin G		Drug
penicillin G procaine		Drug
Penicillin V		Drug
Penicillins		Drug
Penicillium Notatum	Fungi	Environment

Once the allergen is identified, click on it

Information regarding this allergy can now be entered.

Once all data has been entered select **Save** at the bottom of your screen.

Fields with a * are required.

Allergen/AdvReac

*Type Allergy AdvReac

Severity Mild Intermediate Severe Unknown

*Verified Yes No

*Reaction

Comment

Allergies/Adverse Reactions	Type ▾	Severity	Date	Verified	Comment
Allergies for Interaction Checking (2)					
Orange blisters	Allergy	Mild	18/2/15	Yes	
Morphine	Allergy	Mild	20/1/15	Yes	
TIGHT CHEST					
New Allergies/Adverse Reactions (1)					
Penicillins testing	Allergy	Mild	25/2/15	Yes	

The allergen you just entered will display in green.

You can now enter more allergies if required or if there are no further allergies to enter, select **Save** at the bottom of your screen and then select **Done**.

Both **NKA** and **Unable to Obtain** do not have to be deleted when entering a new allergy .
By adding an allergy (Enter New) the NKA or Unable to Obtain will automatically be deleted.