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1. Pediatric Challenge

Calculating an Immunization Schedule for a child is a challenge even for the best of software programs. The logic is complicated and sometimes fuzzy. Many EMR's simply get it wrong.

We believe that Practice Today Version 05.11.21 has correctly coded the Immunization Schedule for any child scenario. Testing our accuracy has proven to be an even larger challenge. We have compared our results against the test scenarios provided on the CDC website. Our calculations were correct. However, the test data provided by the CDC is wholly inadequate to thoroughly test. We have looked for a credible organization that can certify our efforts. We have not found one.

In keeping with our mission to help physicians practice safe medicine, here is our challenge:

Examine our Pediatric Immunization Schedule version 05.11.21. Enter your most challenging child immunization scenarios. Kick the tires. If you have never used this part of Practice Today before, call us up and we will teach you how (it only takes ten minutes to learn).

If you are the first to find a specific inaccurate calculation based on the CDC Recommended Childhood and Adolescent Immunization Schedule 2005, we will fix it immediately, post the fix to our website, and extend your service contract by ONE month. We take our Immunization Schedule seriously. Lives depend on it, and we must get it 100% right! You are the clinical trial.

All we ask is that you register your participation so that we can notify you if there is an update.

(Note: No one has found an error yet!)

2. "Renew and Cruise"

We are pleased to announce the 2006 "Renew and Cruise" Schedule.

Princess Cruise - Mexico - April 29 to May 5 - Departing from Los Angeles, CA

Princess Cruise - Alaska - August 5 to August 11 - Departing from Seattle, WA

Simple concept: Renew your support contract before December 15th, and part of your renewal fee will be a credit towards your cruise*. In short, if you purchase a NEW support contract, then you cruise for almost FREE. If you renew your current support contract, then you will receive from 5% to 20% credit towards your cruise. Offices with Lifetime Support are welcome to join us.

We have a fabulous group rate for cabins with windows, and yes, you can upgrade your cabin selection if you like. We have eight hours of scheduled training during our three days at sea. You are encouraged to bring your "Practice Today wish list" and a laptop. We will have instructors and programmers available for real-time solutions. Please call for details.

*No, you cannot receive cash back if you do not take the cruise. The training seminars benefit your practice, and mitigate our software support demands.

3. December 2005 PTP Update Features

Practice Today (Pro) version 05.12.12 is now available. Please respond to this email with the word "Update" as the subject to receive your link. If you had a special programming request, please call or send an email to see if your request was included in this release.

The single most important new feature is a simplified, streamlined EMR screen that includes a patient summary with "hot spots". For example, click on [Shots] and you are taken to the Shots & Immunization screen.

4. Practice Today (Patient Edition)

We are pleased to announce that we have completely redesigned the Practice Today (Patient Edition). This stand-alone package allows the patient to easily manage their medical records and documents. It includes the pediatric shot calculator so new mommies can keep track, and determine what shots are due when. This is a great "stocking stuffer" CD to hand out (or sell) to your patients. \$49 suggested retail, \$10 each when purchased in quantities of 50 from our website.

5. PDA Heads-up

In light of the upcoming holiday season, we have received an inordinate number of inquires concerning PDA's, and whether they can be integrated with Practice Today. Yes, yes, yes...we are alpha testing now, with a release date expected in Spring 2006. However, if you are planning to purchase one of these neat little gizmos this holiday season, you should consider the Windows Mobile 2003 device family that are phone/PDA

devices. We are using the OneBridge Sync Server 5.0 from Extended Systems (the fine people who brought you the Advantage Database Server - and who were recently acquired by iAnywhere). We have placed the supported device list on our website. Point your browser to:

www.legacypress.com/files/ptoday/onebridge.pdf

6. Our new address

Please note that our address and phone numbers have changed:

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Our office hours are Monday - Friday, 6:00am to 6:00pm Pacific Time. We are in the office on weekends by appointment only. We are closed for all Federal holidays.

Please note that we have a conference room on site that we use for training. If your office is local, or you are planning a visit to the Los Angeles area, you are invited to schedule two hours of free training twice a year. This is a new service available to all offices with a current support contract. We are located across the street from the Pasadena Hilton, one block east of the Pasadena Sheraton, and three blocks south of the Pasadena Westin.

7. SKYPE for Software Support

If you have not discovered SKYPE, then you are in for a treat. You can call anyone else on Skype, anywhere in the world for free. We have been using Skype for software support and training for the past few months, and it works really well.

Please point your browser to: www.skype.com
to download their FREE software

Our Skype ID# for Software Support is: `practicetoday`

You need a computer headset with a microphone to use Skype (a \$10 investment on-line).

8. "Gotomeeting" Schedule

We have found that "gotomeeting" is a very effective tool for training. We have also found that many of our clients are not using their EMR because they do not know how. The solution is simple. Invest 30 minutes, once a week for the next six weeks, and we will show you how to free up 60-minutes of each and every one of your workdays. Even if you are currently using the EMR, we can show you how to use it more efficiently. Time is money. If we save you time, you save money. The concepts are simple.

Here is the December 2005 Schedule:

Thursday, December 15, 4:00pm Eastern Time, 30 minutes
Topic: Electronic Medical Records Overview

Thursday, December 22, 4:00pm Eastern Time, 30 minutes
Topic: Creating a Medical Note (Part 1)

Thursday, December 29, 4:00pm Eastern Time, 30 minutes
Topic: Creating a Medical Note (Part 2)

Our "gotomeeting" is limited to 10 seats. So we are forced to use the "first come, first served" principle. Please sign-up early by responding to this email with the word "gotomeeting" as the subject. We will send the first ten inquired a confirmation email with the gotomeeting access code, and conference phone#. If you have never used "gotomeeting" before, please call a few days before for a walk-thru. A fast Internet connection is required (DSL or faster).

9. Emails from Legacy Press

Please take note. This is important!

I, Laretta Carroll, recently received an email claiming to be from support@legacypress.com requesting that I update my user profile on line. I was floored. I did not send the email. Nor did anyone else on my staff. These types of emails are often called "spoof" emails. Their intent is to lure you to a bogus site, and gather your personal information. They are sent by evil people who will surely line the walls of hell.

Always remember, Legacy Press will NEVER send you an email containing an attachment without your personal support rep first calling you on the phone. Legacy Press will NEVER send you an email requesting sensitive information on-line. Ever. Period.

So, do not, under any circumstance open an attachment on ANY email without knowing with absolute certainty where it came from.

If in doubt, call Software Support at (888) 881-0038, or skype us at "PracticeToday".

10. TEPR 2006 - Baltimore, MD

Legacy Press / Practice Today will attend TEPR 2006 in Baltimore, Maryland in May 2006. If you are also planning to attend, please let us know.

11. Patient Portal

We are pleased to announce that we are now beta testing the Practice Today Patient Portal, ptPortal.

The ptPortal is a secure web site where patients can enter or edit their demographics and past medical history. Then, your office can download

the info directly into Practice Today. This will eliminate your front office from having to enter the info.

If you would like to participate, please respond to this email with "ptPortal" as the subject.

I hope this e-newsletter has been helpful. If not, you may be excluded from future email newsletters by simply replying to this email with the word REMOVE in the subject line. We do not share email addresses with anyone, ever.

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