

New Software and Documentation Will Improve Patient Record Keeping

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Order Entry/Results Reporting (MUGLIB 20 Version 2.5) is a module of the Department of Veterans Affairs Decentralized Hospital Computer Program (DHCP). The module introduces the concept of a single point for all order placement in DHCP resulting in a uniform system not only to place orders but also to obtain results. There is improved interdepartmental communication and integrated patient records.

The order-entry process minimizes the interaction between the user and terminals. OE/RR integrates medical

information and the functional requirements of various services to create, store, modify, retrieve, and report information. Standardizing data entry and results reporting for all information within the system has improved data capture, reduced data-entry time, and provided more timely and accurate information.

This software is available "as is" to nonmembers as well as members of MTA. It comes with machine-readable documentation. Order hardcopy documentation separately. It is available on 3 1/2" MS-DOS 720 disks for

\$22, or \$12 if you are an MTA member. Contact the office for more information.

MUGPAL Documentation D13, Order Entry/Results Reporting manuals for version 2.5, is now available. The cost is \$30 plus shipping and handling. Sorry, this is not available to nonmembers. ■

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