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Mobile Apps benefit the demands of a hectic schedule

According to a recent Manhattan Research study, nearly 80% of U. S. physicians own a smartphone and 30% have an iPad. The convenience factor of mobile downloads is undeniable. Several companies have taken this to the next level, developing mobile applications specifically for physicians. The following list was compiled based on mass audience appeal. For applications specific to your specialty, simply Google "mobile apps for (your specialty)" and you should generate several options to explore.

iPhone Apps

ReachMD.cme Allows users to listen to CME content and take CME certification test for credit. *Source: RDVO, Inc.*

Medscape Pulls recent medical news from Medscape (WebMD); drug database; CME prep and 'activities'; health directory of physicians, pharmacies and hospitals; drug interaction checker. *Source: RDVO, Inc.*

Netter's Anatomy Anatomical illustrations from Netter's Atlas of Human Anatomy; images and sections are annotated for origin, insertion, action, innervation, anatomical relevance. *Source: RDVO, Inc.*

BlackBag A free medical news and resources app for healthcare professionals across multiple specialties and therapeutic areas. *Source: RDVO, Inc.*

Sermo Mobile Allows physicians to access the country's greatest concentration of medical knowledge in real-time. Sermo Mobile build's on Sermo's current web platform, an online resource where physicians from across 68 specialties and 50 states can collaborate, discuss and consult with each other. *Source: Sermo*

Cross Platform

PEPID for Windows OS, Palm OS, Apple OS X and BlackBerry. Common functions across all suites include drug database; medical calculator, drug interactions, IV Compatibility Tool, personal notes. Product suites available for specific specialties, e.g. Emergency Medicine, Primary Care. *Source: RDVO, Inc.*

Epocrates The most widely used mobile medical application with a large number of reference guides: drug interactions, infectious disease treatment, medical dictionary. Some free services and installs are generally free. Service and updates require paid contracts. *Source: RDVO, Inc.*

Skyscape Several different applications in addition to specialty reference tools. CME STAT is a learning tool, where users are given information about new standards in treatments (specialty specific) and then tested on the content. Med Alert posts breaking medical news and journal summaries directly to the device. Information can be filtered by profession and specialty. *Source: RDVO, Inc.*



NAMI Documents Large Cuts in State Mental Health Budgets, 2009 to 2011

Since 2009, when the economic crisis went into full force, states have cumulatively cut \$1.8 billion in state general funding of mental health services, according to a review of budget documents from all 50 states and the District of Columbia by the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI). The largest cuts in terms of percentage of state general funds for mental health were found in Alaska, 35%, and South Carolina and Arizona, 23% each. In dollar amounts, California led with cuts exceeding \$587 million, followed by New York, which reduced state funds by \$132 million, and Illinois, which cut more than \$108 million. The NAMI report projects even deeper cuts for 2012. [Read more](#)

Physician records key to timely placement in new positions.

Your staffing consultant has just contacted you with a great job opportunity at a facility where you have not worked. Before you can be privileged, the medical staff office must ensure that all facility and external requirements are met before you can come on board. The credentialing team at D&Y is here to help you get to work. Did you know there's something you can do to expedite the process? Whether you are just starting out or if you have been working locums for a while, documentation of your education and work history are required for every assignment. At D&Y, we suggest you keep a complete record of your education, work history and malpractice insurance carriers updated at all times in a simple Excel spreadsheet. Specifically, your record should include:

- Name and dates (month/year) of medical training program from medical school through any residency and/or fellowship, including any foreign training.
- Names and start/end dates of all facilities where you have worked including any foreign experience.
- Any gaps in your employment should also be noted with an explanation for the gap including month/year.
- A complete list of your malpractice insurance carriers including policy numbers and claims history.
- A list of all licenses ever held with license numbers and dates.
- Any certifications with certification numbers and dates.
- Category 2 CMEs

Keeping this documentation up-to-date will definitely simplify the credentialing process for you. Easier credentialing means you get to work on time so you can start earning income!

