emrU newsletter, January 2014

This month: 550 users, six months of emrU, sharing emrU

- Happy New Year! We are happy to announce that we rolled emrU out to the majority of the health science colleges at Iowa. More than 550 students are now using emrU (a modified version of the Epic electronic medical record) to view simulated patient cases before, during or after class.
- Did you know that it's been six months since we launched emrU in the Carver College of Medicine? You may see this slide on digital signs around campus:



emrU ("Epic in the curriculum")

- emrU?
 - An electronic medical record software environment (Epic) for classroom use only, populated with simulated patients.
- September 2013 launch in CCOM
 - · One class, ~140 students
- January 2014 expanding in CCOM
 - Two classes, ~140 students
- January 2014 launching across the health sciences
 - · Majority of health science students now in emrU
 - ~550 students (inc. CCOM)
 - Five colleges participating:
 - Carver College of Medicine, College of Dentistry, College of Nursing, College of Pharmacy, College of Public Health
- We continue to be one of the most aggressive and fast-moving EMR-in-Education projects in the country. We are scheduled to present our progress at a variety of educational forums this spring and summer, including the AAMC's CGEA and GIR, as well as Epic System Corp.'s annual Spring Advisory Council.
- We have new patients available for re-use in another classroom in the <u>emrU Patient Catalog</u> (HEALTHCARE login required).
- What would you like to see emrU do in 2014? Send your suggestions or feedback to <u>nicholas-may@uiowa.edu</u> or share it with any member of the emrU Steering Committee (listed below).

What is emrU?

emrU is an Epic electronic health record software environment created for use solely by the Health Sciences here at The University of Iowa. Our goals are to enhance existing classes, facilitate interprofessional education and provide students with a solid background in how to use an electronic medical record before they graduate – an essential skill for anyone in healthcare today.

Past newsletters

Past newsletters are available on the emrU SharePoint site in the "Newsletters" folder.

Find us

There is someone on the emrU Steering Committee near you! Go talk to them about what emrU offers and how it can help you with your next class.

Carver College of Medicine: Dave Asprey, Boyd Knosp, Amal Shibli-Rahhal.

College of Nursing: Ellen Cram, Deb McCarthy, Cristina Richards.

UI Department of Nursing: Janet Hosking, LouAnn Montgomery.

College of Pharmacy: Gary Milavetz.

Health Care Information Systems: Holly-Marie Bolger, Mary Jo Duffy, Douglas Van Daele, Val Heffernan, Nick May, Kristy Walker.

Join us

Do you have a class that you think would benefit from a robust patient for every student in a safe Epic environment devoid of real patient data? Do you want new tools to evaluate student learning? Tell us! Propose a project, get in touch with the people listed above, or e-mail Nick May at nicholas-may@uiowa.edu for more information about what we can do for you! Please remember that the average patient takes two months to develop from idea-to-classroom, although this timeline may be longer or shorter in some instances.