

BACKGROUND

The introduction of electronic medical records (EMRs) has transformed healthcare documentation practices, offering potential improvements in the quality and efficiency of clinical documentation. Complete and timely Electronic Health Record (EHR) documentation is essential for delivering safe, efficient, and high-quality patient care. Upadhyay and Hu (2022) concluded that accurate documentation ensures that healthcare providers have access to current patient information, which supports better clinical decision-making, improves communication among healthcare teams, and reduces the risk of medical errors. Timely record completion also enhances continuity of care, regulatory compliance, and healthcare quality management. This research poster highlights the importance of maintaining complete and up-to-date EHR documentation, discusses common challenges that affect documentation quality, and emphasizes best practices that help improve accuracy, efficiency, and patient outcomes.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this poster is to improve awareness among clinicians about time and accurate EHR documentation. This will improve accuracy, clinical efficiency, and overall patient outcomes.

METHODS

Literature review that focuses on Quality Improvements (QI) frameworks and Performing random chart audits.



Importance of Clinical Documentation in Healthcare



RESULTS

This research poster highlights the importance of maintaining complete and up-to-date EHR documentation, discusses common challenges that affect documentation quality, and emphasizes best practices that help improve accuracy, efficiency, and patient outcomes.

CONCLUSIONS

Complete and timely Electronic Health Record (EHR) documentation is non-negotiable for safe and efficient care according to Mabunda et al., (2025). As highlighted in this research, maintaining accurate records directly drives better clinical decisions, prevents medical errors, and ensures seamless team communication. Overcoming documentation challenges through established best practices is vital for optimizing both healthcare quality and overall patient outcomes. According to Torab-Miandoab et al., (2025) high-quality clinical documentation is essential for patient care, and healthcare professionals must strive for the highest standards.

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