EHR Go Guide: Care Plans

Introduction

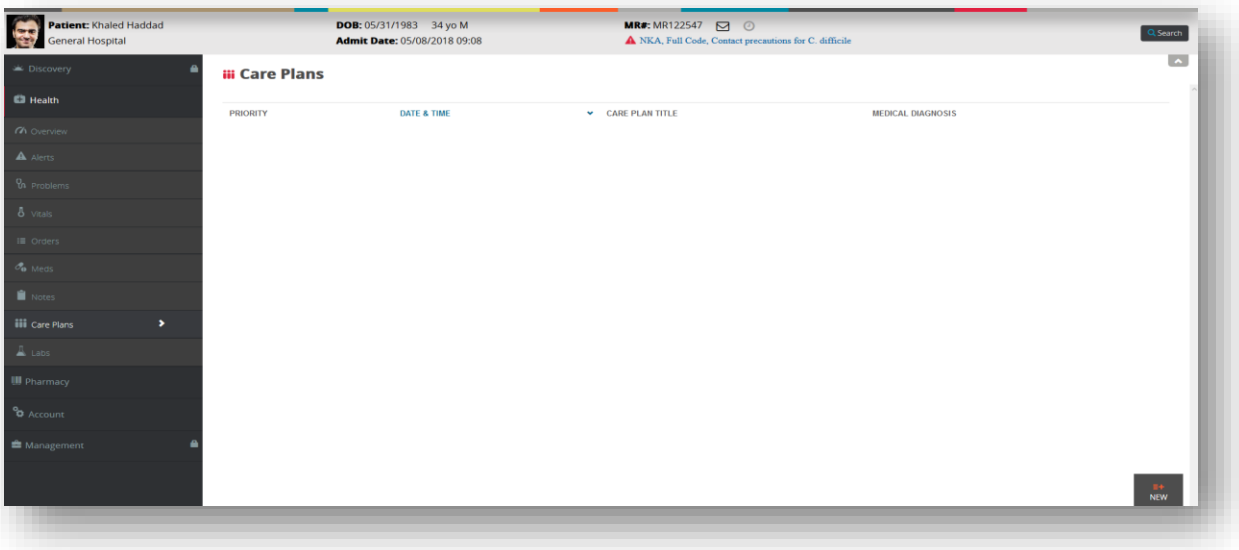
Understanding how to create a care plan is a vital skill. This guide will provide an overview of how to enter and edit new care plans in EHR Go.

Additional resources

Students should have a good working knowledge of how to enter information into the EHR.

Entering a Care Plan

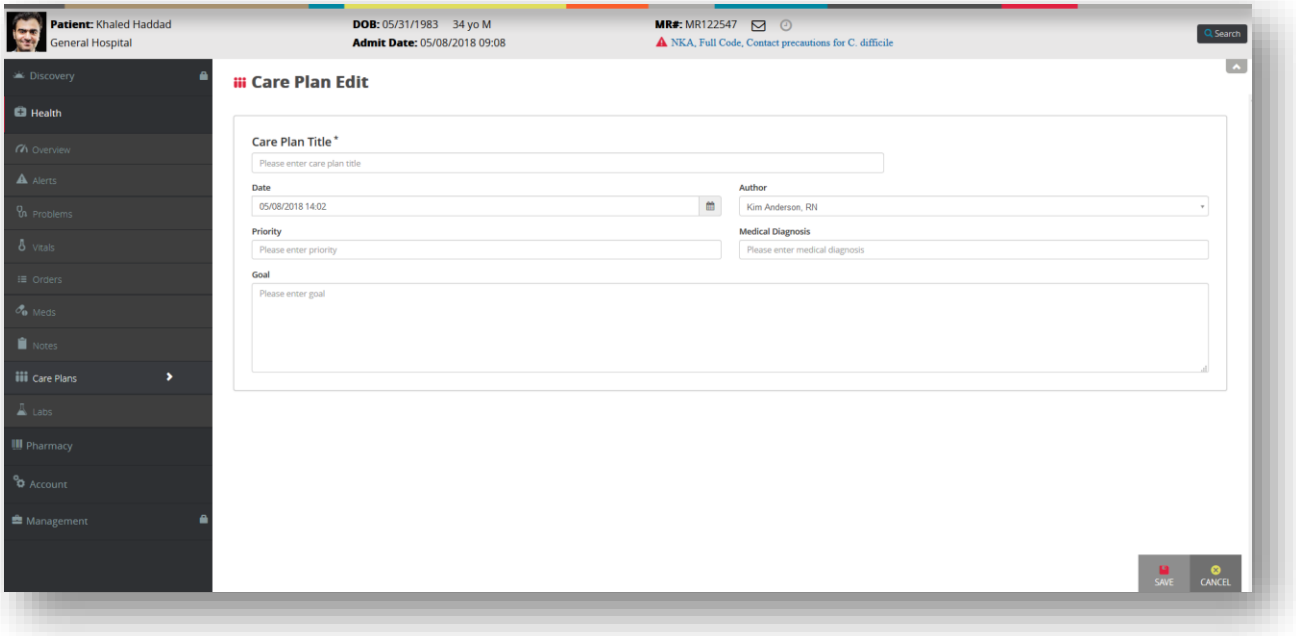
When you launch a patient chart in EHR Go, you will be brought to the Overview tab. Click on the **Care Plans** section to get started. This screen will be initially blank until a care plan is added. To get started click on **New** in the bottom right corner.



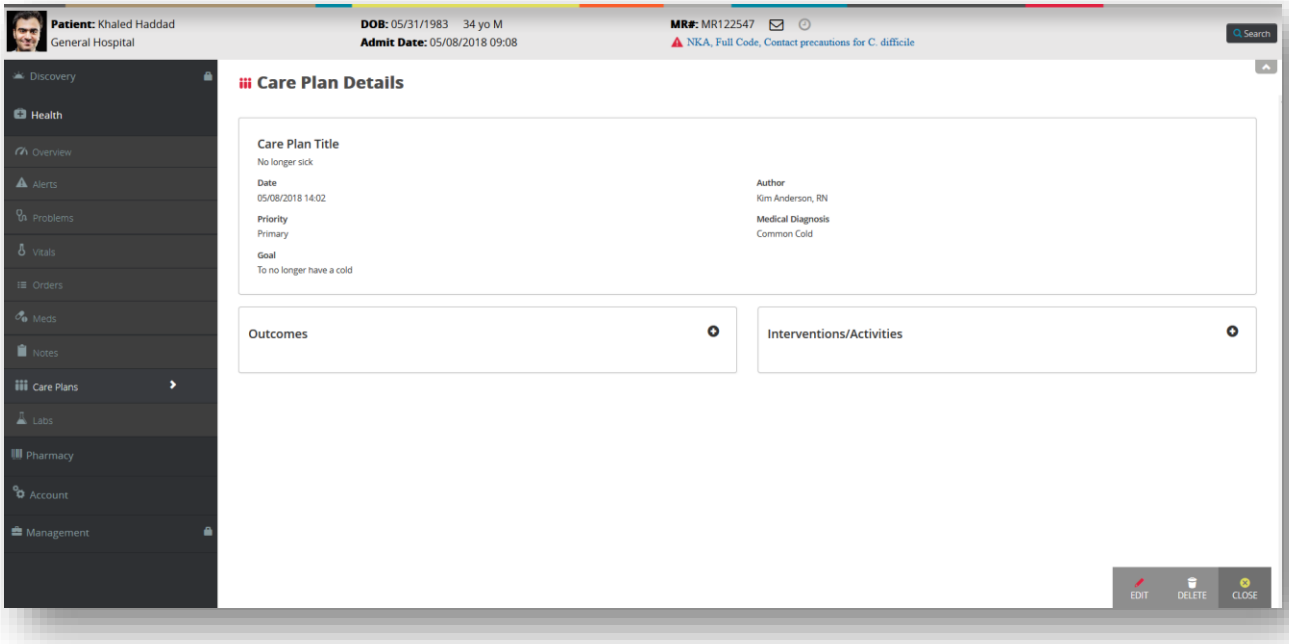
You will then be taken to the **Care Plan Edit** screen. This screen displays an initially blank care plan with the following fields:

- **Care Plan Title:** Enter an appropriate title for the care plan.
- **Date:** This will automatically populate.
- **Author:** This will default to the name of the student user.
- **Priority:** This field will vary depending on your SOP and is linked to the diagnosis. If a diagnosis requires multiple care plans you would fill in this field accordingly (i.e. primary, secondary, tertiary).
- **Medical Diagnosis:** This field should contain the diagnosis that the care plan is designed to help treat.
- **Goal:** This field should contain the overall goal of the care plan.

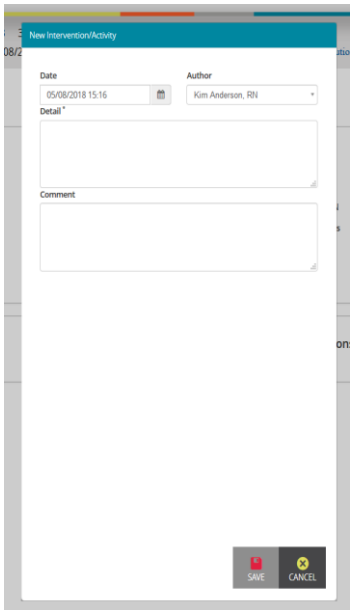
Once all the information has been entered, click on save.



Once you have saved the care plan, you will be shown the **Care Plan Details** screen. This screen will display your already created care plan, as well as two new sections **Outcomes** and **Interventions/Activities**. On this screen you may also edit the care plan title page or delete it. Outcomes and Interventions cannot be edited once they have been saved



We will now cover the **Outcomes** and **Interventions/Activities** sections. While they cover two different topics, inputting information into them is the same. Click on the corresponding plus sign (+) to bring up the **New Intervention/Activity** or the **New Outcome** screen.

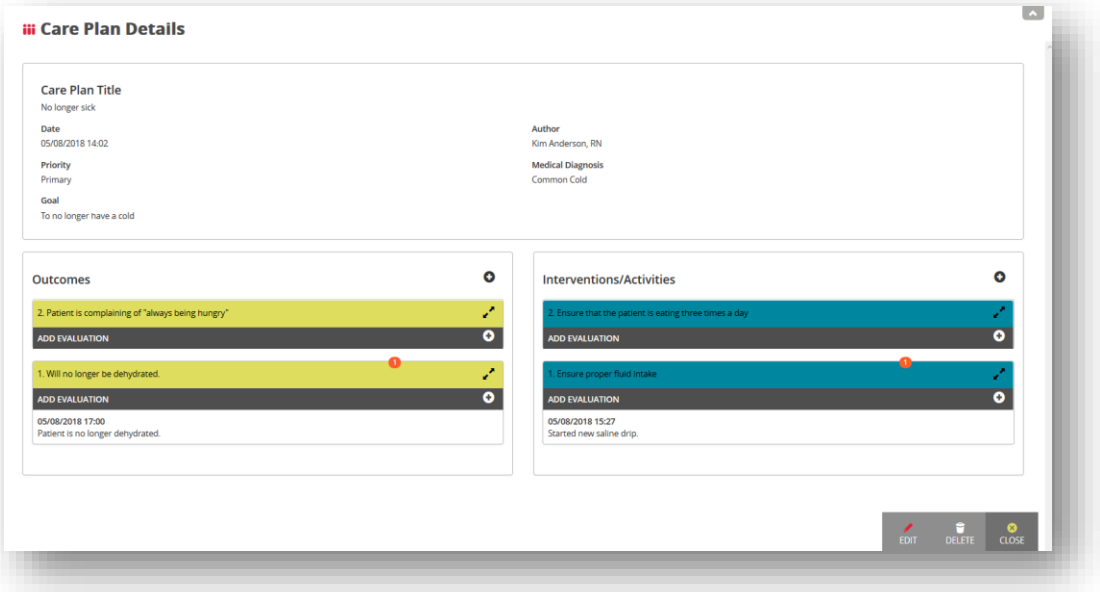


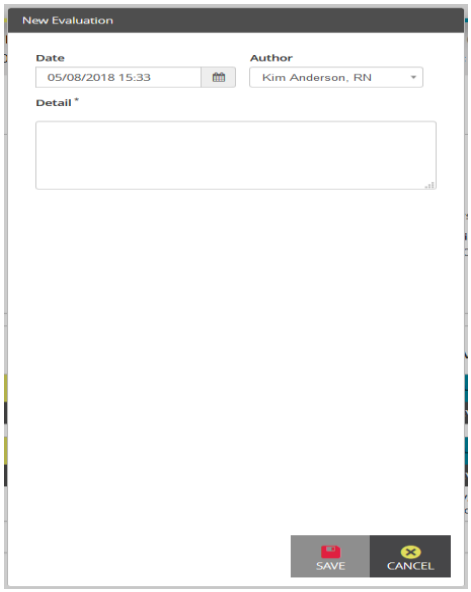
The **date** and **author** field populate automatically but can be modified if necessary. In the **detail** field, enter the intervention or activity. This is usually 1-2 short sentences. An example could be 'reposition patient every 2 hours'. Select save when you are done. It is recommended you use a number or letter system to connect Interventions to Outcomes.

The **Comment** box is for any additional information that is needed to be entered. This is where a text book reference can be entered, or an explanation as to why this intervention was chose for this care plan.

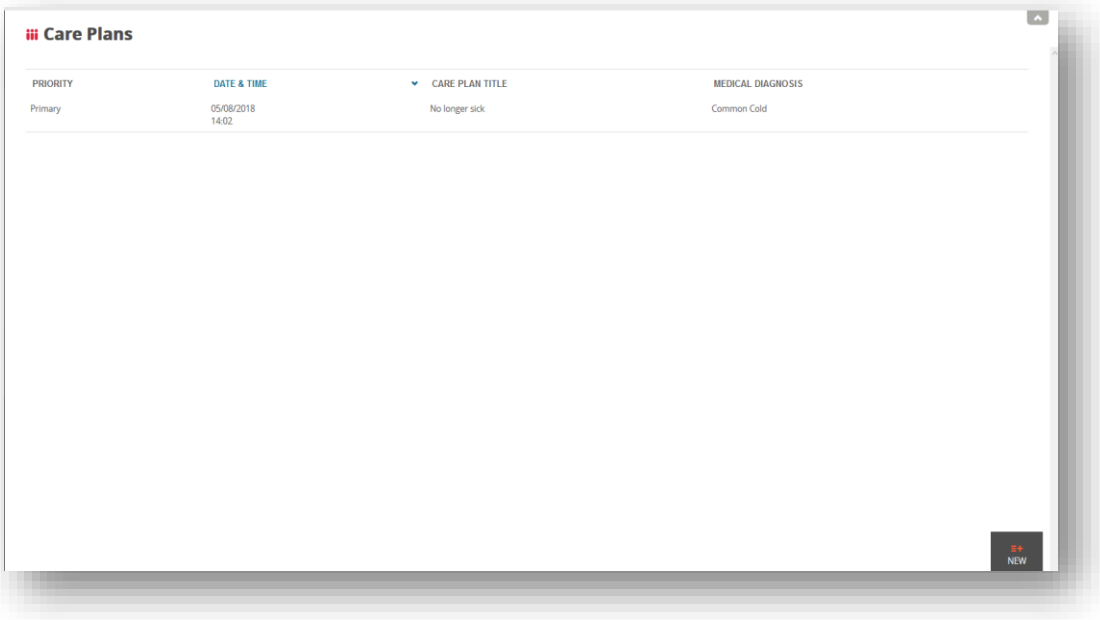
- Make certain that everything is entered correctly before clicking save. Once you click save you can cannott the content of the intervention.
- If it has already been saved and the intervention does not need to be in the care plan, click on the plus (+) sign next to **New Evaluation**. In the detail box enter something such as cancelled, intervention remove, or entered in error.
- Once finished entering the details, click save.

As shown in the example below, you can click on the plus sign to add an evaluation to either the Outcomes or Interventions/Activities you have just entered.





When you are done with your care plan, click on close and you will be brought back to the **Care Plans** screen.



You can come back and finish the Care Plan by highlighting and clicking on the Care Plan listed under the Care Plans tab.

Outcomes behave just like **Interventions/Activities** and contain the same editable fields. In the **details** box, enter the expected outcome, or the outcome itself, for performing the intervention with any patient. Again, it is recommended to apply a tracking convention to properly associate outcomes to interventions/activities.

When you are ready to add an evaluation for the outcome, click on the plus (+) sign to the right of the word **Evaluation**.

- In the **Details** box write the evaluation for the intervention and outcome, this is where results of the intervention are entered. Did you meet the outcome that you had written and/or did this lead to meeting the short-term goal?
- You may choose to write in the detail if it did or did not meet the short-rem goal. When finished entering the evaluation, click the **Save** button.

Modifying an Existing Care Plan

Some EHR Go patients already have care plans started in their charts. The student users will not be able to delete an already available care plan but can add information to it. See previous section on how to add Outcomes, Interventions/Activities, Evaluations, and Comments. The student users will also be able to add new care plans as described previously.

Important! When you are finished, click on **Close Session** to save your work.