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**OSCAR UPDATE - COMING THIS FALL -
STANDARDIZED “COMMUNITY” VERSION OF OSCAR 15
FROM BC’s 3 CHARTERED OSCAR SUPPORT PROVIDERS
- IMPORTANT FOR SECURITY & INTEROPERABILITY -**

OSCAR BC is excited to report that BC’s 3 “chartered” OSCAR service providers will be distributing an enhanced and standardized version of OSCAR 15 this fall. Read more about some of the new features below!

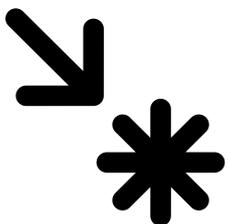
Ensuring that all OSCARs are running the same version of OSCAR 15 helps to ensure interoperability with other systems. For example, OSCAR BC has signed a contract with PHSA for the development of CDA/CDX, which will enable 2 way messaging between systems. This is one of many examples of interoperability projects underway using standardized “Community branch” of OSCAR 15.

Standardized OSCAR 15 is known as the “Community branch” of OSCAR because it belongs to the user community and is the base code for development to support interoperability. In addition to serving as the unified foundation for interoperability developments, other key features of the Community branch of OSCAR 15 are:

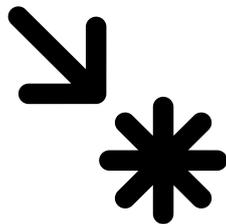
- ISO certification
- Recent security upgrades

Ensuring all OSCAR systems in BC are using the same code base gives all users the best of all worlds by ensuring the “freedom” of open source software, and the interoperability that comes with standardization.

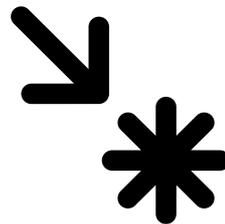
The 3 chartered OSCAR service providers who work to support the core principles of open source by distributing the “Community branch” of OSCAR are:



NERD



OSCARprn



OSCARwest



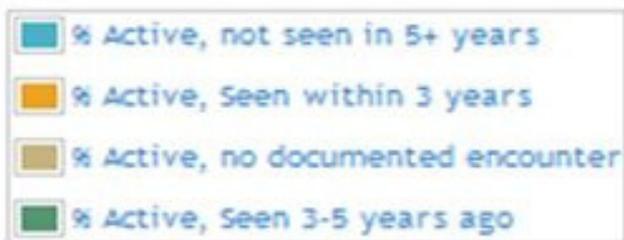
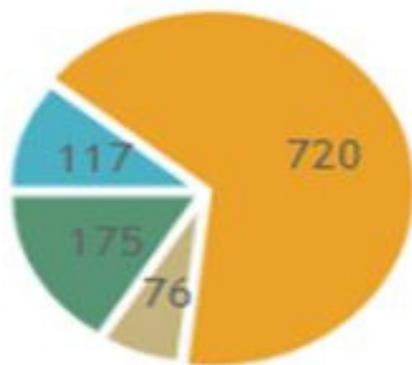


1. PRACTICE SUPPORT PROGRAM PANEL DASHBOARD

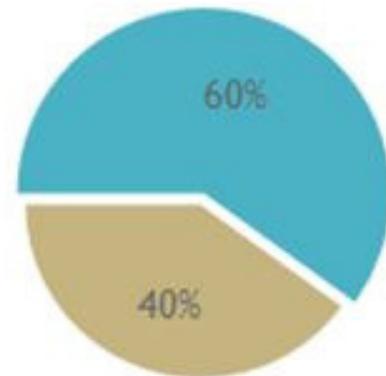
OSCAR BC has worked with the Doctors of BC Practice Support Program to develop a dashboard to support panel management. Physicians will also have the option to use the dashboard as part of the [new panel development incentive](#).

The panel management dashboard will help physicians identify which of their patients are active versus inactive and do bulk status updates. The dashboard will also enable rapid updating of disease registries by presenting “consider” lists of patients who might have a diagnosis.

Active Patients



Consider Heart Failure



“Improved panel management enables family doctors to understand both the patients they are taking care of, and what those patients need. The concept is simple: better information about patients leads to better care for patients.”

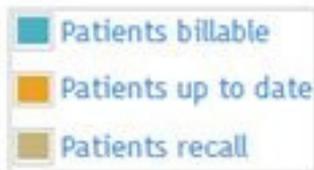
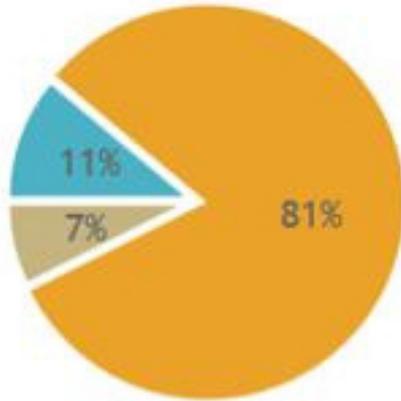
- Ref: Practice Support Program [Read more](#)



2. BC BILLING DASHBOARD

Diabetes Mellitus (G14050)

Check out the features of the NEW updated BC Billing Dashboard



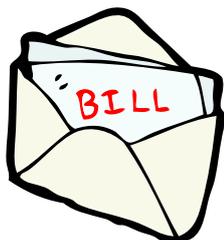
The pie charts show you how many of your Chronic Disease Management patients are:

- Billable for annual CDM and not yet billed
- Due for recall
- Up to date

Then, click on the pie to drill down to identify the patients for whom CDM is billable and review their last A1C and BP and GFR. Quick link to e-chart gets you to billing screen in 2 clicks or print list of CDM billables and recalls for staff.

From the drill-down screen below, you can see at a glance whether an in-person visit is needed to meet the billing requirement, or if a telephone visit would suffice.

Ticker	Id	Name	Phone	Last A1C	Last BP	Last GFR	CDM Status	Dx Date	Last Bill
1	<input type="checkbox"/>		[Redacted]	7.2 (21-08-2015)	130/90 (21-08-2015)	63 (21-08-2015)	recall	01-05-2013	0
2	<input type="checkbox"/>		[Redacted]	5.9 (10-11-2016)	150/80 (19-02-2018)	95 (09-11-2016)	recall	08-04-2009	0
3	<input type="checkbox"/>		[Redacted]	6.0 (27-06-2017)	130/80 (10-05-2017)	79 (27-06-2017)	recall	02-08-2008	0
4	<input type="checkbox"/>		[Redacted]	10.0 (11-06-2018)	120/70 (15-06-2018)	83 (12-03-2018)	billable	08-02-2017	0



Maybe a telephone visit will suffice.



MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM

Your quarterly contributions to OSCAR BC help cover the costs of OSCAR feature development, code maintenance and funding staff support for a central point of contact for external agencies. The volunteer OSCAR BC board works to ensure that the standardized “Community Branch of OSCAR” remains open source and belongs to the user community. The cohesive and collaborative central structure of OSCAR BC ensures that, going forward, development priorities will address the needs of BC’s OSCAR users and our patients.



If you believe in the importance of the freedom of OSCAR users, please contribute to OSCAR BC.

[Read more](#) about why OSCAR is “Free as in Freedom”

NEW: Find us on 



@OSCARBCcommunity
#oscarbc

NEW MEMBERSHIP SYSTEM - SIGN IN!

As of **October 2018**, OSCAR BC members will be asked to complete **a one-time sign-in** to our new membership system (powered by Membee).

In an effort to better inform members and target outreach to specific groups (like MOAs, midwives, nurse practitioners, or physicians), we've upgraded to a better membership and billing database system that offers us greater capabilities.

Commencing October 2018, contribution fees will be: \$20 per month, per full-time user, including physicians, midwives, and nurses.

MEMBER STORIES

Email us your photos using OSCAR!

Email us testimonials, too!
membership@oscarbc.ca

We would like to include original content to showcase the OSCAR BC community! Select photos & testimonials of OSCAR users are needed for placement onto our website, our new [Facebook page](#), and newsletters.



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The OSCAR BC Board & Staff wish everyone a very productive Fall!

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