

From the Office of Clinical Informatics FetaLink FetaLink Overview

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On August 17, 2020, FetaLink will be utilized at the following organizations: ARG, EMMC, Inland and Mercy. This will be utilized in the ambulatory and inpatient settings for these organizations. FetaLink is a maternal and fetal monitoring system that facilitates the flow of data from medical devices in a manner that supports display needs of clinicians in acute and ambulatory settings. This flyer is an overview of the application.

Overview

FetaLink is a Maternal and Fetal monitoring system that facilitates the flow of data from medical devices in a manner that supports display needs of clinicians in acute and outpatient settings. The solution documents and provides a graphical display needs of clinicians in acute and outpatient settings. The solution documents and provides a graphical display of the relationship between fetal heart rates and contraction data. It also stores and displays waveforms and annotations – information clinicians can view on a display monitor at the bedside, throughout the hospital or clinic, and through remote access.

Accessing FetaLink

To access FetaLink, you will access this from the Start Menu.

Census View

- When you have launched FetaLink, your view will be the Census View. This view will allow you to view the patients on your unit.
- In the upper left-hand corner, you will have the option to Change User and Exit.

NOTE: You must be signed in to FetaLink to perform nursing tasks.

- Location tab depending on your organization, you may have more than one location tab available.
 - If you have more than one location available, you will need to see separate tabs for your organization.
- There are multiple columns that are viewable in the Census mode:



Column Review

- Monitored Location an interactive column that opens the patient's fetal tracing by clicking on the blue hyperlink.
- Fetal Monitor Interactive column that if selected will disassociate the patient

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- Patient will display the initials of the patient. This column is interactive in that it will open the transfer window that will allow you to transfer the patient and/or the fetal monitor.
- MRN a passive column that displays the patient's Medical Record Number (MRN).
- Age a passive column that displays the patient's age.
- The following columns are passive that pull in information from nursing documentation: EGA (Estimated Gestational Age), G/P Gravida/Para, Cervical Exam, ROM, GBS Genital Beta Strep positive or negative, and EDD Estimated Due Date.
- Reason for Monitoring an interactive column that displays and allows you to enter the reason for monitoring.
- Provider a passive column that displays the provider entered in the Admission History form.

Toolbar review

- Charting Mode
 - Charting Mode locks FetaLink and pulls the application to the front of all other open applications including PowerChart. This allows FetaLink to be open and not hidden below other applications so that clinicians can view FetaLink continuously when using only one PC monitor screen.
- Low Light
 - Low light will change the tracing background to a dark background.
- Census
 - Allows you to view the patients on your unit.
- Locations

Allows you to view the fetal monitoring strip and to associate the monitor to the patient.

- Archive Search
 - Allows you to search for previous fetal monitoring strips on a patient.
- Central Monitor
 - All monitors for your unit will be displayed in one location.
- Alerts
 - If there are patients that have alerts alarming the number of them will be displayed in a parenthesis in the toolbar.