PHYSICIAN PDA BASED PATIENT INFORMATION SYSTEM
MERCURY MDATA HARDWARE REQUIREMENTS

MINIMUM CRITERIA

Your handheld device MUST meet the following specifications in order for MData to work:

- ☐ **Operating System:** Microsoft Pocket PC 2002 (3.0.111171) or Palm 4.0 OR higher
- ☐ **Infrared Capability:** Able to perform TCP/IP networking using an integrated IrDA-compliant infrared transceiver.
- ☐ **Memory:** At least 4 MB free RAM (memory must be on the device, expansion-slot memory excluded*).* Note: for large group lists (20 or more) need 5-6 MB of free RAM
- ☐ **Please verify first that your handheld device is compatible with MData by going to this site: http://clinical.thomsonhealthcare.com/support/certifieddevices/index.html**

Considerations when purchasing a new PDA:

1. PDA pricing - Typically you will find that the more expensive PDAs have greater RAM (32 MB, 64 MB, etc), color display, integrated 802.11b wireless capability, and other "bells and whistles". If you plan to load a lot of programs, information, photos, etc., on your PDA, you may want to consider one that has greater RAM.

2. PDA reviews - To make a more informed decision about purchasing your PDA, check out PDA reviews and pricing on sites such www.zdnet.com on the Internet.

3. If you are interested in doing a bulk purchase for your practice, you may contact Tom Temple at CDW, 1-877-594-8394. Be sure to state that you are affiliated with Virtua.

Wireless Connectivity – For wireless connectivity to MData while at Virtua, your PDA specs will have to include our Network Standard as follows:

- Pocket PC Operating System
- Integrated 802.11b (or g) or added on 802.11b (or g) Network Adapter Card
- PEAP Security Compliant
- Odyssey Client Software
- *Note: Bluetooth will NOT work with our network*

Internet Connectivity - You can also access your patients' information anytime, anywhere through Internet connectivity via your SmartPhone (example: Treo 650 or Samsung i730)

Device Ownership:

- Virtua Health is providing MData/ PDA Based Patient Information System at no cost to Virtua physicians wishing to participate.
- Physicians must provide their own handheld device for use with the MData/ PDA Based Patient Information System.

    1. The device must comply with the system requirements for both operating system and available memory as outlined above.
    2. Hardware issues are the responsibility of the device owner.
    3. Technical issues related to third party software not native to the device are the responsibility of the device owner.

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