Patient Header

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The **Patient Header** enhances your user experience by providing quick access to essential patient chart details. It consolidates critical information so healthcare professionals can view and manage patient data without opening multiple screens. This streamlined approach improves efficiency and ensures that clinicians have the necessary information at their fingertips.

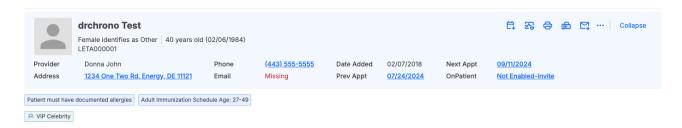
The Patient Header remains persistent, so you can scroll up and down the chart without losing visibility.

Learn about patient chart permissions and how to customize the Patient Header.

Patient Header overview

The Patient Header consists of four sections:

- Patient information
- Demographics
- Action items
- Alerts



Patient information



The patient information section contains the following by default:

- Patient's photo
- Patient's name First name, middle name or initial, last name, and nickname. To copy the patient's name to the clipboard, hover over their name and then select **Copy name**.
- Sex and gender identity If the patient's sex and gender identity differ, both appear.
- Age and date of birth
- **Chart ID** Consists of the first two letters of the last name + the first two letters of the first name + six numbers

Demographics

Provider	Alice Bruce, MD	Address	123 Sesame Street, Los Angeles, CA 12345	Phone	(123) 456-7890	Email	christina.johnson@gmail.com
OnPatient	Not Enabled-Invite	Date Added	12/12/2020	Prev Appt	08/14/2023	Next Appt	04/22/2024

Default information

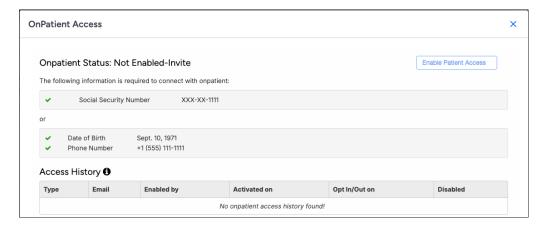
The demographics section contains the following by default:

- Provider Primary provider listed in the chart
- Physical address
- Phone number
- Email address
- OnPatient status Shows as Enabled or Not Enabled-Invite. Select the hyperlink to open the OnPatient
 Access window, where you can view the access history or turn on patient access by selectingEnable Patient
 Access to send an invitation. For more information, refer to OnPatient Basics.
- Date added The date that the patient chart was created
- Previous appointment date Select the date to open the appointment screen
- Next appointment date Select the date to open the appointment screen

Additional information

Customize the **Patient Header** to add the following information:

- Referred by The name of the provider that referred the patient
- Primary insurance
- Secondary insurance
- Language Patient's preferred language (can also note other language)
- Race
- **Preferred pharmacy** Patient's default preferred pharmacy. For more information, refer to Add Patient Preferred Pharmacies in DrChrono.
- Ethnicity
- Smoking status Yes or no
- Eligibility Patient's insurance and benefit status
- Patient Balance Patient's balance information



Action items



Icon/Button	Description
Schedule appointment	Opens the New Appointment page

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Vitals	Opens the Vitals window to view and/or record vitals			
Print demographics	Option to print demographics			
Fax demographics	Option to fax demographics			
Send referral	Opens the Message Center to create a new referral			
More actions (three dots)	Select to open the dropdown for additional actions			
OnPatient Access	View the access history or turn on patient access by selecting Enable Patient Access			
	to send an invitation. For more information, refer to OnPatient Basics.			
Decision Support	Opens the Decision Support Intervention side panel to view active and resolved			
Intervention	DSI rules for the patient or set up DSI rules. Learn more about Decision Support			
	Intervention (DSI) Rules.			
Apple Health App Data	View collected health data from the Apple Health integration			
RecordSync	Opens the RecordSync & Consent side panel. Learn more about RecordSync.			
Customize Patient	Customize the Patient Header to select the patient information shown in the			
Header	Patient Header.			
Collapse/Expand	Select Collapse or Expand to manually collapse or expand the header (the			
	$demographics\ section\ is\ hidden\ or\ shown)\ or\ customize\ the\ \textbf{Patient\ Header}\ to\ have$			
	it collapsed by default.			
	drchrono Test Female identifies as Other 40 years old (02/06/1984) LETA000001			
	Patient must have documented allergies Adult Immunization Schedule Age: 27-49 R: VIP Celebrity			

Alerts

The alerts section contains the following alerts by default:

- DSI alerts Active Decision Support Intervention rules for the patient
- Patient flag alerts Custom patient flags created by the practice



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