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## ***Integrating the VeriMed ID Number with an Admissions-Discharge-Transfer System***

The purpose of modifying an existing emergency department admissions-discharge-transfer (ADT) software or system application is to be able to utilize the 16-digit VeriMed ID number as a unique patient record identifier. By incorporating this unique ID as part of the ADT system, a user can easily and quickly perform a search of patient records by receiving the VeriMed ID through a handheld VeriMed RFID Reader used to scan patients that arrive to the emergency department unconscious or unable to effectively communicate.

ADT systems perform searches for patient records in various manners. Examples include using the patient's last name, phone number, or personal ID number, such as a Social Security Number, as a means to locate a patient's record. These key fields are defined in the system to perform a search.

A key field that accepts the 16-digit VeriMed ID number can be easily created and provides another field to be used for patient record searches. The objective is to have a screen which prompts for the 16-digit VeriMed ID number, and upon receiving the number, the ADT system automatically searches for that record in the database system.

The VeriMed ID number supports open architecture and is easily incorporated into ADT systems. Depending on the type of system, integration options include:

- Designing a new screen with a VeriMed ID key field for searches
- OR
- Adding an additional field to the master table and associating it with a standby screen which accepts a 16-digit number to perform patient record searches
- AND
- Trapping information from a communications port or using a keyboard wedge for this purpose

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