

Adding & Updating Practitioners

CardiacCare allows for an unlimited number of practitioners to be entered into the system. Practitioners include surgeons, anesthesiologists, etc. If Cedaron Medical, Inc. imports data records for you from past abstractions, we will create any practitioner records seen in the import data. However, as your organization grows or changes, you may have a need to add in additional practitioners or edit the information about an existing practitioner.

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Practitioner info is configured prior to being used in a data abstraction, so that the user does not have to enter information for every data record. Instead the info is entered in a centralized location. Then when abstracting a case, the user simply selects the practitioner from a drop down, and all the associated fields are automatically populated. This also allows edits to be centralized (for example, if an entry needs correction it can be done in a single place and apply to all associated records).

Permissions

In order to add or edit practitioners, a user must have the "**Create and Edit Practitioners**" permission enabled in the Security Manager. To be able to delete a practitioner, a user must have the "**Delete Practitioners**" permission enabled in the Security Manager.



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Enabling the permission adds the "Practitioner" menu item under "Utilities".

Practitioner Maintenance

Access the Practitioner Maintenance screen by going in the menu to "Utilities" \rightarrow "Practitioners"

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This screen will display the list of all practitioners which are currently entered into your system, and some basic information about each one. For organizations with many practitioners, a filter option is provided to help filter the displayed list of practitioners.

From this screen, double clicking on an existing practitioner or clicking the paper and pencil icon will allow editing of a practitioner's information.

Users may sort by a specific column, in ascending or descending order by clicking on a column header: Last Name, First Name, NPI or CODE.

The number of rows displayed at once may be changed by clicking on the rows dropdown at the bottom of the screen.

Clicking on the "+ New Practitioner" button will allow creation of a new practitioner. The screen for creating a new practitioner or editing an existing practitioner is the same, but when editing, the existing information will be pre-filled in.



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For an example, we are going to add one new practitioner, Jane Smith. They will be an Anesthesiologist and a Physician at two different locations. Start by selecting the "+ New Practitioner" button.

The entry screen will display:

Fields marked with a red asterisk near the label and a red bar near the data input are required. You will not be able to save if these fields are left blank (First and Last Name).

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In addition to the fields marked as required, in general, an organization will want to fill in additional fields for the practitioner. Typical fields include:

- National Provider Identification (NPI) of the practitioner
- Tax Identification Number (TIN) of the practitioner

NPI	
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- Facilities the practitioner is associated with. A practitioner can be associated with more than one facility. If a practitioner is not associated with a given facility, the practitioner will not be selectable in data forms for procedures at that facility. If a practitioner is not associated with any facility, the practitioner will not be selectable in any data form.
- Medical Specialty of the practitioner <u>in relation to data abstraction</u> <u>Note: This is not the same as a doctor's medical specialty (i.e. it is NOT the area of medicine they</u> <u>specialize in)</u>
 - The Medical Specialty and Facility for the practitioner have to be completed in order for the practitioner to be available

Associating the practitioner with the correct options will control which drop down lists in the data forms the practitioner appears in. You can assign a practitioner to more than one option.

Facilities	
Medical Specialty	

For example, if we have the following practitioners and associations:

- Sally Smith → Anesthesiologist
- Joe Dunham → Anesthesiologist, Cardiac Registry Surgeon
- Mitchell Harrison → Cardiac Registry Surgeon
- Edward Garrison \rightarrow No medical specialty selected

Then in the data forms for the "Surgeon" the following options will appear: Joe Dunham and Mitchell Harrison. In the data forms for "Primary Anesthesiologist" the following options will appear: Joe Dunham and Sally Smith. Note that Edward Garrison will not be selectable in any data form as no medical specialty was selected.

In many cases, the participant ID for a registry is assigned at the facility. However, in some cases, practitioners may have separate participant IDs. If that is the case, then the individual participant IDs can be specified (this is not common).



STS Adult Cardiac Participant ID	
STS Congenital Participant ID	
STS Thoracic Participant ID	
California License Number	
New Jersey License Number	

Active and Onsite are checked by default.

In general, this value should not be changed. However, if a practitioner is no longer part of your organization, you can mark the practitioner as not active, which prevents future records from being created for that practitioner. In general, this is a better option than deleting the practitioner, so that you maintain access to historical data, and can re-activate if needed. However, the possibility does exist to delete a practitioner. <u>We strongly recommend contacting Cedaron Support prior to deleting any practitioner</u>.

Keep onsite checked for practitioners who are onsite. Otherwise this can be unchecked.

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After filling out all the data, be sure to select the "**Save**" button at the bottom of the maintenance screen. (Unlike patient records, practitioner maintenance is not automatically saved as each field is modified, but all changes are saved once by pressing the "Save" button.)

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Here are screenshots of the completed form for Jane Smith. The main thing to notice, is that most of the fields can be left blank – whether they should be is up to your organization:



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Clicking "Save" will create the practitioner and return the user to the Practitioner listing screen:

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We can filter by any of the first four columns. We will filter by Last Name and type in Smith.

If there are matching criteria they will then load. We see that our new practitioner, Jane Smith is saved in the system.

Using Practitioner

Once the practitioner is created and associated with the corresponding facilities and medical specialties (drop downs), the practitioner simply has to be selected on a data form, and the corresponding fields for that data form will be pulled into the data form. This minimizes data entry and reduces the chance of error. For example:

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Tip: If a practitioner is not available as an option on a specific form and field (for example as an Anesthesiologist) go to edit their information in Practitioners and make sure they have the correct Medical Specialty associated with them.