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Medical Carts

What are Medical Carts? Learn about this term and more with our expansive website glossary that explores topics related to enterprise access management.

Video Transcript:

Kayleigh Flemming: Hi, I'm Kayleigh with Imprivata!

Medical carts are mobile workstations used in healthcare settings. They carry medications, patient records, and essential medical equipment to where patients are being treated. These carts help doctors and nurses work more efficiently, reduce errors, and access patient information quickly while following healthcare rules.

Today's medical carts come with several safety features. They have secure compartments to keep medications and patient information safe from unauthorized access. Barcode scanners help verify that the right medication is given to the right patient, reducing the risk of mistakes. Electronic locks ensure that only authorized staff can open the cart.

Many hospitals and clinics use computerized medical carts that connect to electronic health records. This means nurses and doctors can access and update patient information right at the bedside. For example, when a nurse gives a patient medication, the cart automatically logs it in the patient's record, keeping everything up to date.

Using medical carts with these advanced features can contribute to overall medical device safety. They prevent unauthorized access to medications and ensure that the right medications are given to the right patients. This is especially important in busy hospitals and clinics where mistakes can happen more easily.

Medical carts also make patient care more efficient. Clinicians can spend more time with patients and less time on paperwork. Instead of going back and forth to a stationary medication station, they can get supplies and update records right at the patient's bedside, which improves quality of care.

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