

NHS Wales formulary and antimicrobial Android application

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1 Introduction

1.1 Purpose of this document

This document will outline the functional, user interface and security requirements for the NHS Wales formulary and antimicrobial Android application. It will also include use cases for the system. This document can later be used during testing to ensure that the system meets all the requirements outlined within.

1.2 Project overview

The main focus of this project is to produce a mobile application for Android which will aid NHS medical staff in obtaining useful information for injectable medicines which are available within the NHS. For more information refer to the Outline Specification document.

2 Project details

This section will describe the general factors that affect the requirements. It will describe the characteristics of the users using the system and explain how they shall be using the system. I will also outline any assumptions that I have made.

2.1 User characteristics

The primary users of the application will be medical staff of NHS Wales. They will be using the applications to search for information on injectable medicines that are available within the NHS. They should already have broad knowledge of the information displayed within the application.

As the application will be built on the Android platform the member of staff should already be familiar with the user interface of Android and therefore be able to natively use applications that follow the Android design guidelines.

2.2 Assumptions

As the application will be used in hospitals I am assuming that an internet connection will not be available at all times when the application is in use, therefore the data used by the application must be stored for offline use.

Another assumption I am making is that the member of staff will be installing the application on a device they are familiar with and therefore know how to use the basics of the Android operating system.

2.3 Dependencies

The application must have access to the NHS database in order to download the data required for the application. This access is provided via an XML API with a basic HTTP GET authentication process (username and password are sent within the URL). All data transferred to and

from the API is sent over HTTP without encryption (personally I would use an encrypted connection for security reasons, but when asking the NHS about the security of the data they said that security was not a concern of theirs).

3 Requirements

3.1 Functional requirements

This section will list the functional requirement's (FR)'s for this project.

FR 1	Authentication
FR 1.1	User must be able to authenticate themselves using their credentials
FR 1.2	User must be notified if the password they enter is incorrect
FR 1.3	User will be notified if the authentication failed due to connection issues
FR 1.4	User must be able to logout of the system, removing all data
FR 2	Database synchronisation
FR 2.1	After login or when the user presses update the application must truncate all database tables and begin downloading new data
FR 2.2	Download complete list of drug indexes from database
FR 2.3	Download complete list of drugs and drug informations
FR 2.3	Download all information needed for calculating doses and infusion rates.
FR 2.4	Download must still run when the application is in the background
FR 3	Menu options
FR 3.1	Upon pressing the Menu button on the device the user will be presented with a list of available options, which execute tasks (Logout, exit, search)
FR 4	Main screen
FR 4.1	Upon successful data download the user will be displayed with a screen where they can navigate to other parts of the application
FR 4.2	User will be see when an update was last performed, and perform an update from this screen.
FR 5	Browse drugs
FR 5.1	This screen will allow the user to view a list of all drugs
FR 5.2	There will be an input box on this screen, when the user enters text into the input box the results in the list will be filtered to only show results related to the input
FR 5.3	The user will be able to click a drug in the list to open a new screen displaying the needed information
FR 6	View drug
FR 6.1	When a drug has been selected the drug and all its information will be displayed in an easy to read format
FR 6.2	Where drug information headers contain help information, a help icon will be displayed next to the header.
FR 6.3	When heading help icon is clicked the helping information will be displayed
FR 6.4	If the drug had calculator information, then a button to open the calculator should be shown

FR 7	Browse drugs with calculators
FR 7.1	A view similar to the browse drugs view will allow the browsing of drugs that contain calculator information.
FR 8	Calculate dose and infusion rate
FR 8.1	The user will be able to select calculation type
FR 8.2	User will be able to enter information required for the calculation
FR 8.3	When the calculate button has been clicked the input will be thoroughly validated
FR 8.4	After validation the result of the calculation will be displayed to the user
FR 8.5	The equation and values used to calculate the answer will be neatly displayed to the user
FR 9	XML customisability for developers
FR 9.1	All text within the application must be changeable through XML files.
FR 9.2	The structure of the XML APIs provided must be outline within XML files, allowing easy customisation for different APIs

3.2 User interface requirements

The user interface for the application should follow the guidelines set out in the Android developer design guide. Following these guidelines will allow the user to learn to use the application with minimalistic effort.

When the user first opens the application, they will be presented with a login field. Upon logging in they will be presented with the latest updates to drugs and buttons. The buttons will allow the user to begin searching for a drug, force an update of the database and open the about page.

When the user selects a drug they will be neatly presented with a page containing sections of information. This page will also contain a button to open the dosage calculation.

The user interface must be simplistic but make it clear what action you are currently performing. For example when calculating the dosage of penicillin for a patient, the user must be able to clearly see that penicillin has been selected and the weight of the patient used to calculate the dosage.

4 Use case diagram

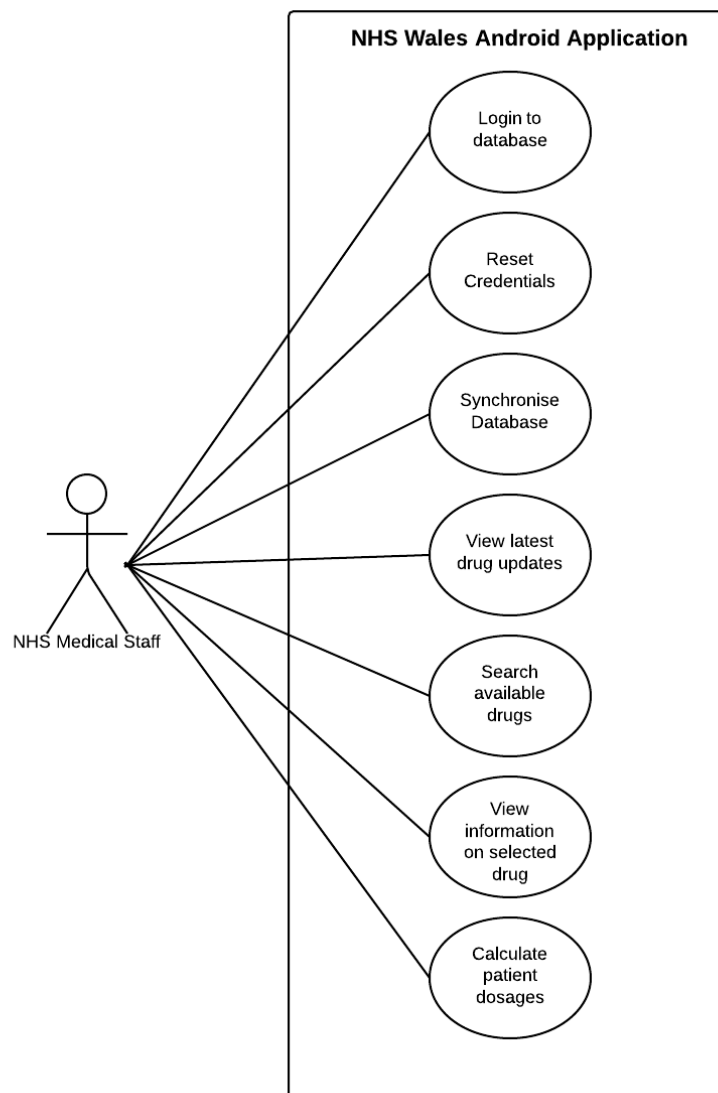


Figure 1: Use case diagram for the NHS application

4.1 Use case description

On the first time opening the application the user will be requested to login. Upon logging in the application will download a complete set of the data for offline use. After the download process has complete the user will be be displayed with a welcome screen, allowing them to navigate to the search page.

On the search page the user will be able to scroll through the list of drugs that have been downloaded or enter part of the drug name they're searching for in the search box to limit the result to appropriate matches.

Once the user has found the drug they're searching for they can select it to be displayed with all the information available for that drug.

If the drug selected has calculator information provided (from the database) the user will be presented with a button to calculate dose or infusion rate.

Upon clicking the calculator button the user will be presented with input fields to enter values needed to calculate dose or infusion rate. When the user clicks on the calculate button they will be displayed with the answer to calculation and shown the equations used to reach that answer.

Whilst the application is running, the user will be able to press the menu button and be presented with a menu of options to complete tasks such as update, logout, exit.