

University of the Witwatersrand Software Design Proposal

Team Name:

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Product Name:

HEALFOLIO

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Introduction

The team will be designing software (HealFolio) aimed at improving service delivery for all types of medical practitioners; specifically the filing system currently used by medical practitioners. This software will provide doctors with easier access to patient records and provide more security. It will also help them make more accurate diagnoses, provide better prescriptions and more as the software is further developed. Below is an outline of the problem and proposed solutions.

Problem Diagnosis

The software to be implemented will operate in the medical industry, predominantly among General Practitioners (GP's). The issues in this sector include things such as (but not limited to):

- Patient record sharing across many different practices.
- Security in the use of medical aid for visits to GP's and other practitioners.
- Patient reaction to prescribed medications.

The above list provides a brief outline of the core issues to be addressed by the project, more issues may be identified as the project progresses, changes will not be reflected here but in the more detailed document "Requirements Analysis Document (RAD)".

Proposed Treatment

The software stack to be used will be decided at a later date however some information can already be determined from evaluating the problem:

- For ease of use by practitioners, windows will be the platform on which the primary software runs.
- A database will be necessary for storing patient/doctor information.
- The database should be scale able to accommodate large amounts of data and secure as much of the information will be considered sensitive.
- For high usability, a web application is under consideration for use by doctors, making the software independent of operating system.
- For other features, an android application may be more useful for patients, however the first goal would be an application on the same platform as what the doctors use.

As with the problem definition, this provides a small amount of insight into the project and for more detail the reader should refer to "Architecture Description (AD)".

Plan of Work

The software will start off as be web-based application that can in a web-browser, through the browser the software will interact with a database that will keep the relevant information safe. Running from a database will also make it possible for the software to be used by more than one person or practice at a time by having the database online or in the cloud. Making the information available to any recipient cleared to view the sensitive info. Different software will be utilized to construct the application, Netbeans or Eclipse, with these IDE's using languages like JavaScript, C, CSS and PHP to communicate the data to and from the SQL database.

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