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ABSTRACT

The Healthcare Management System is a database-driven project designed to manage and organize essential healthcare information for patients and medical professionals. The system stores user data such as medical records, prescriptions, doctor details, insurance information, and triage reports in a structured and relational format. It ensures that data is well-organized, easily accessible, and maintained with high integrity and security standards.

The database uses SQL and leverages advanced concepts including constraints, joins, views, triggers, and cursors. These components help enforce rules, connect multiple tables efficiently, automate routine tasks, and handle complex queries for real-time data retrieval and monitoring. Features such as active medication reminders, expiring insurance tracking, and severity-based triage logging provide users with a practical and intelligent way to manage their healthcare needs.

This project aims to improve the efficiency of healthcare data management while supporting better communication between patients and healthcare providers. By centralizing critical information and enabling automated decision support, the system contributes to faster response times, improved medical record accuracy, and enhanced patient care delivery.

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1.1 Problem Statement

In the current healthcare ecosystem, one of the most pressing challenges is the fragmentation of patient data. Patients often receive treatments from multiple providers, resulting in disjointed medical records spread across hospitals, clinics, and paper documents. This lack of centralized information can lead to delays in diagnosis, medication errors, redundant tests, and poor continuity of care. For patients with chronic conditions or allergies, the risk is even higher as missing or inaccessible information can directly affect treatment outcomes.

Additionally, patients often struggle to keep track of their active medications, insurance details, and upcoming renewals. Manual reminders and paper-based insurance policies can lead to lapses in coverage or missed doses, which could worsen health conditions. There's also a significant gap in how patients and healthcare professionals communicate and manage medical data. Without a user-friendly, digital platform, patients are left relying on memory or scattered documents to share critical health history, which can hinder accurate triage and emergency care.

On the administrative side, hospitals and clinics face difficulty maintaining updated doctor information, appointment schedules, and patient medical histories. The lack of real-time access to triage data and prescription history results in inefficiencies, especially during high-patient-load situations. Moreover, insurance providers and hospital billing systems often operate separately, leading to bottlenecks in claim processing. There is a clear need for an integrated healthcare management solution that securely stores, retrieves, and manages patient data, doctor information, medications, triage records, and insurance — all in one unified platform.

1.2 SDG Goals

Our project aligns with SDG Goal 3: Good Health and Well-being. The project aims to address accessibility in remote areas and hopes to provide a simple but effective solution that provides help in terms of accessing and managing information such as insurance and appointments along with providing triage for simple and common maladies to reduce the chance of discord and fear.

2.1 ER Diagram

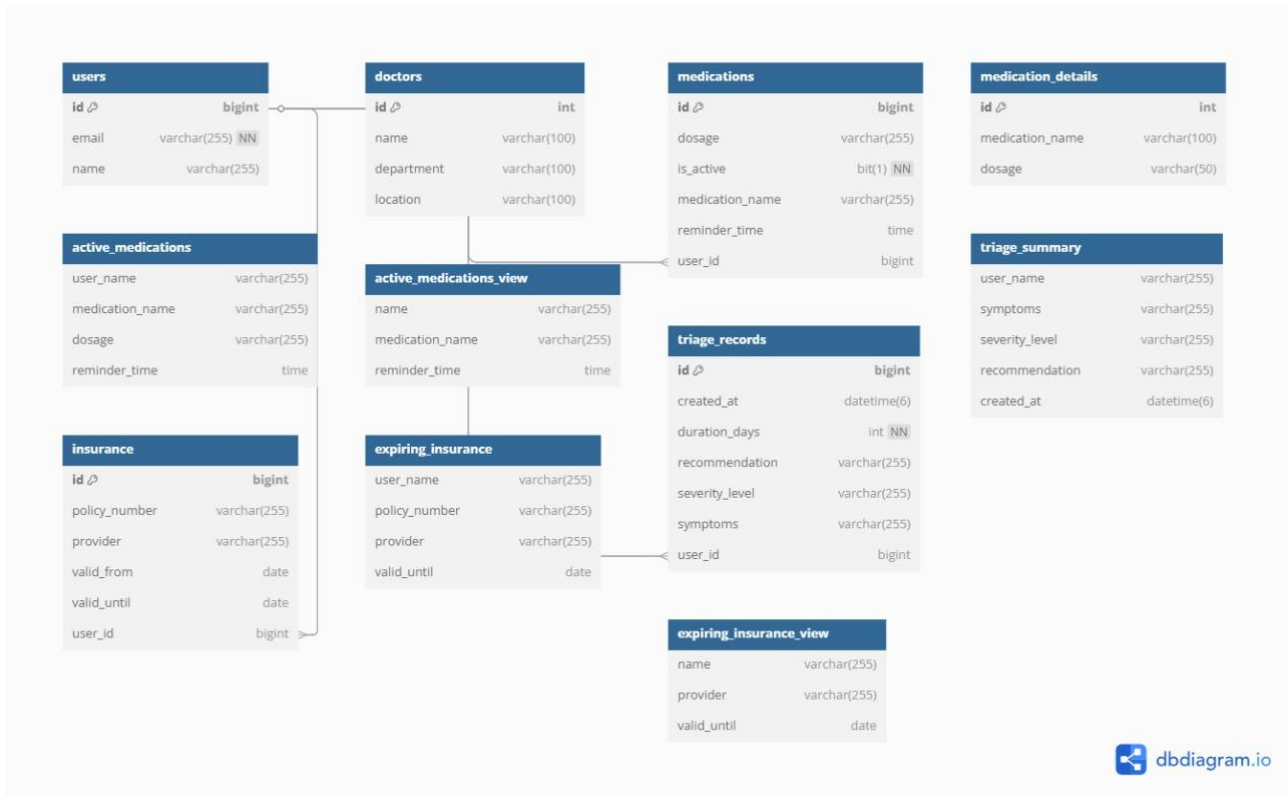


Fig 1. Entity Relationship Diagram (ER Diagram)

2.2 Attribute Description

Entities

User

Attributes: user_id (PK), email, name

Doctor

Attributes: doctor_id (PK), name, department, location

Medication

Attributes: medication_id (PK), medication_name, dosage, reminder_time, is_active, user_id (FK)

MedicationDetails

Attributes: detail_id (PK), medication_name, dosage

Insurance

Attributes: insurance_id (PK), policy_number, provider, valid_from, valid_until, user_id (FK)

TriageRecord

Attributes: triage_id (PK), created_at, duration_days, symptoms, severity_level, recommendation, user_id (FK)

Relationships

- The **User–Medication** relationship is **one-to-many**: one User can have multiple Medications, but each Medication belongs to exactly one User.
- The **User–Insurance** relationship is **one-to-many**: one User can register multiple Insurance policies, but each policy is linked to only one User.

- The **User–TriageRecord** relationship is **one-to-many**: a User can have multiple Triage Records stored in the system, each capturing a separate self-assessment.
- The **Medication–MedicationDetails** relationship is **many-to-one**: each Medication refers to standard medication information from the MedicationDetails entity, matching via the medication_name.
- The **Doctor–TriageRecord** relationship can optionally be **many-to-one**: if implemented, each Triage Record may be reviewed or recommended by one Doctor, and a Doctor may review multiple Triage Records.
- The **ActiveMedication** and **ExpiringInsurance** are **view entities**, created to simplify querying and do not store data directly but reflect filtered information based on conditions from the main tables.

2.3 SQL Queries for table creation

Table: active_medications

```
mysql> CREATE TABLE active_medications (  
->     user_name VARCHAR(255),  
->     medication_name VARCHAR(255),  
->     dosage VARCHAR(255),  
->     reminder_time TIME  
-> );|
```

Table: doctors

```
mysql> CREATE TABLE doctors (  
->     id INT AUTO_INCREMENT PRIMARY KEY,  
->     name VARCHAR(100),  
->     department VARCHAR(100),  
->     location VARCHAR(100)  
-> );
```

Table: expiring_insurance

```
mysql> CREATE TABLE expiring_insurance (  
->     user_name VARCHAR(255),  
->     policy_number VARCHAR(255),  
->     provider VARCHAR(255),  
->     valid_until DATE  
-> );
```

Table: insurance

```
mysql> CREATE TABLE insurance (  
->     id BIGINT AUTO_INCREMENT PRIMARY KEY,  
->     policy_number VARCHAR(255),  
->     provider VARCHAR(255),  
->     valid_from DATE,  
->     valid_until DATE,  
->     user_id BIGINT  
-> );
```

Table: medication_details

```
mysql> CREATE TABLE medication_details (  
->     id INT AUTO_INCREMENT PRIMARY KEY,  
->     medication_name VARCHAR(100),  
->     dosage VARCHAR(50)  
-> );
```

Table: medications

```
mysql> CREATE TABLE medications (  
->     id BIGINT AUTO_INCREMENT PRIMARY KEY,  
->     dosage VARCHAR(255),  
->     is_active BIT(1) NOT NULL,  
->     medication_name VARCHAR(255),  
->     reminder_time TIME,  
->     user_id BIGINT  
-> );
```

Table: triage_records

```
mysql> CREATE TABLE triage_records (  
->     id BIGINT AUTO_INCREMENT PRIMARY KEY,  
->     created_at DATETIME(6),  
->     duration_days INT NOT NULL,  
->     recommendation VARCHAR(255),  
->     severity_level VARCHAR(255),  
->     symptoms VARCHAR(255),  
->     user_id BIGINT  
-> );
```

Table: users

```
mysql> CREATE TABLE users (  
->     id BIGINT AUTO_INCREMENT PRIMARY KEY,  
->     email VARCHAR(255) NOT NULL UNIQUE,  
->     name VARCHAR(255)  
-> );
```

2.4 Tables with Data

```
mysql> select* from active_medications;
```

user_name	medication_name	dosage	reminder_time
John Cena	Ciprofloxacin	1 tablet	08:24:01
John Cena	Amoxicillin	250mg	16:24:01
Sanidhya Sharma	Ciprofloxacin	2 tablets	11:24:01
John Cena	Paracetamol	400mg	09:24:01

```
mysql> select* from insurance
-> ;
```

id	policy_number	provider	valid_from	valid_until	user_id
2	POL-123456789	HealthGuard Insurance	2025-03-10	2026-03-10	2
3	POL-123456789	ICICI LOMBARD	2025-03-10	2026-03-10	3
4	POL-123456789	HealthGuard Insurance	2025-03-10	2026-03-10	4
5	POL-1881818818	WWE	2025-03-13	2026-03-13	5
6	POL-1881818818	SBI	2025-03-13	2026-03-13	6
7	POL-188838383	HDFC	2025-03-13	2026-03-13	7

3.1 Constraints

Constraints were used to ensure the integrity of the data in the system. For example:

- **PRIMARY KEY:** Ensured that each record in the tables, such as the Users table and the Doctors table, has a unique identifier.
- **FOREIGN KEY:** Enforced relationships between tables, such as ensuring that each medical record is linked to a valid user and doctor.
- **CHECK:** Used to validate values, like ensuring a patient's age is above a certain threshold or that insurance details are correctly formatted.

Sets:

The use of set operations like UNION and INTERSECT was essential for combining results from multiple tables. For example, the union of patients and doctors involved in a specific type of insurance policy could be achieved by combining data from the respective tables using the UNION operator.

Joins:

Several types of joins were utilized to fetch data from multiple tables in a normalized database. These included:

- **INNER JOIN:** To fetch records where there is a matching record in both tables, such as retrieving medical records with corresponding doctor details.
- **LEFT JOIN:** Used to display all users, even if they do not have corresponding insurance records.
- **RIGHT JOIN:** For cases where doctors may not have scheduled appointments, but their information still needs to be displayed.
- **SELF JOIN:** Used to find relationships between records in the same table, such as querying patients and their referring doctors.

3.2 Views

Views were created to simplify complex queries and present data in a more user-friendly format. For example:

- A view combining patient details with their medical records and insurance status was created to provide a comprehensive view of a patient's history with just a single query, enhancing efficiency and readability for healthcare professionals.

```
mysql> CREATE VIEW upcoming_appointments AS
-> SELECT
->     u.name AS user_name,
->     a.department AS department,
->     a.doctor_name AS doctor_name,
->     a.appointment_time AS appointment_time
-> FROM appointments a
-> JOIN users u ON a.user_id = u.id
-> WHERE a.appointment_time > NOW();|
```

```
mysql> CREATE VIEW triage_summary AS
-> SELECT u.name AS user_name, t.symptoms, t.severity_level, t.recommendation, t.created_at
-> FROM triage_records t
-> JOIN users u ON t.user_id = u.id;
```

```
mysql> CREATE VIEW expiring_insurance_view AS
-> SELECT u.name, i.provider, i.valid_until
-> FROM insurance i
-> JOIN users u ON i.user_id = u.id
-> WHERE i.valid_until < CURDATE() + INTERVAL 30 DAY;
```

```
mysql> CREATE VIEW active_medications_view AS
-> SELECT u.name, m.medication_name, m.reminder_time
-> FROM medications m
-> JOIN users u ON m.user_id = u.id
-> WHERE m.is_active = 1;
```


3.3 Triggers

Triggers:

Triggers were implemented to automate certain actions based on specific events in the database.

For example:

- A trigger was set to automatically update the Patient_Status field whenever a new triage record was inserted into the Triage_Records table.
- Another trigger was used to log any changes in insurance details, maintaining an audit trail for data integrity and security.

```
CREATE DEFINER=`root`@`localhost` TRIGGER `prevent_user_deletion`  
BEFORE DELETE ON `users`  
FOR EACH ROW  
BEGIN  
    IF EXISTS (  
        SELECT 1 FROM medications  
        WHERE user_id = OLD.id AND is_active = 1  
    ) THEN  
        SIGNAL SQLSTATE '45000'  
        SET MESSAGE_TEXT = 'Cannot delete user with active medications';  
    END IF;  
END;
```



```

N | CREATE DEFINER='root'@'localhost' PROCEDURE `ProcessPastAppointments`()
BEGIN
    DECLARE done INT DEFAULT FALSE;
    DECLARE appt_id BIGINT;
    DECLARE appt_time DATETIME(6);
    DECLARE cur CURSOR FOR
        SELECT id, appointment_time FROM appointments WHERE is_past = 0;

    DECLARE CONTINUE HANDLER FOR NOT FOUND SET done = TRUE;

    OPEN cur;

    read_loop: LOOP
        FETCH cur INTO appt_id, appt_time;

        IF done THEN
            LEAVE read_loop;
        END IF;

        IF appt_time < NOW() THEN
            UPDATE appointments SET is_past = 1 WHERE id = appt_id;
        END IF;
    END LOOP;

```

```

FINER='root'@'localhost' PROCEDURE `TestCursor`()
BEGIN

    DECLARE done INT DEFAULT FALSE;
    DECLARE user_id BIGINT;
    DECLARE user_email VARCHAR(255);

    DECLARE cur CURSOR FOR
        SELECT id, email FROM users;

    DECLARE CONTINUE HANDLER FOR NOT FOUND SET done = TRUE;

    OPEN cur;

    read_loop: LOOP
        FETCH cur INTO user_id, user_email;

        IF done THEN
            LEAVE read_loop;
        END IF;

        SELECT CONCAT('User ID: ', user_id, ', Email: ', user_email) AS user_info;
    END LOOP;

    CLOSE cur;

```

4.1 Pitfalls

Pitfalls Resolved

Unique Constraint on Email

The users table includes a unique constraint on the email column. This ensures that each user in the system has a distinct email address, thereby eliminating duplication and supporting secure authentication and user identification.

Foreign Key Integrity

Foreign key relationships—such as user_id in the medications, insurance, and triage_records tables—are properly enforced with referential integrity. Cascading actions (ON DELETE CASCADE, ON UPDATE CASCADE) are applied to maintain consistency across related tables. This ensures that when a user record is updated or deleted, the related data in associated tables is also appropriately handled, preventing orphaned records and maintaining data integrity.

Handling of NULLs

All critical fields such as email in the users table have been cleaned of NULL values before enforcing the NOT NULL constraint. This ensures that all records contain complete information and improves the robustness and reliability of operations like email notifications, password resets, and login processes.

Primary Keys and Indexing

Each table contains a well-defined primary key, such as id in the users, medications, and appointments tables. These primary keys ensure unique identification of records. Foreign key columns like user_id are also indexed to improve query performance, especially during join operations and lookups in a relational context.

4.2 Normalization

Normalization Status

First Normal Form (1NF)

Definition: A table is in 1NF if it contains only atomic values and each column contains values of a single type.

Status: All tables in the design satisfy 1NF. Each field holds atomic data (e.g., names, dosages, contact numbers), and there are no repeating groups or arrays in any column.

Second Normal Form (2NF)

Definition: A table is in 2NF if it is in 1NF and all non-key attributes are fully functionally dependent on the entire primary key.

Status: The schema adheres to 2NF. There are no composite keys currently, but in all tables, the non-key attributes are dependent solely on the primary key of their respective table. For example, in the appointments table, attributes like appointment_time, doctor_id, and user_id are all fully dependent on the appointment_id.

Third Normal Form (3NF)

Definition: A table is in 3NF if it is in 2NF and there are no transitive dependencies among non-key attributes.

Status: The schema conforms to 3NF. There are no attributes that depend on other non-key attributes. Foreign key relationships such as doctor_id in appointments and user_id in medications link only to their corresponding entity tables, and no attribute in a table is transitively dependent on another non-key field within the same table.

5.1 Concurrency Control & Recovery Mechanisms

Lock and Safely Update a User Row

```
START TRANSACTION;  
SELECT * FROM users WHERE id = 1 FOR UPDATE;  
UPDATE users SET name = 'Jayabrata B.' WHERE id = 1;  
COMMIT;
```

Update Medication Dosage with Lock

```
START TRANSACTION;  
SELECT * FROM medications WHERE id = 1 FOR UPDATE;  
UPDATE medications SET dosage = '500mg' WHERE id = 1;  
COMMIT;
```

Use Serializable Isolation to Prevent Anomalies

```
SET TRANSACTION ISOLATION LEVEL SERIALIZABLE;  
START TRANSACTION;  
SELECT * FROM insurance WHERE user_id = 1 FOR UPDATE;  
UPDATE insurance SET expiry_date = DATE_ADD(expiry_date, INTERVAL 1 YEAR)  
WHERE user_id = 1;  
COMMIT;
```

5.2 Frontend

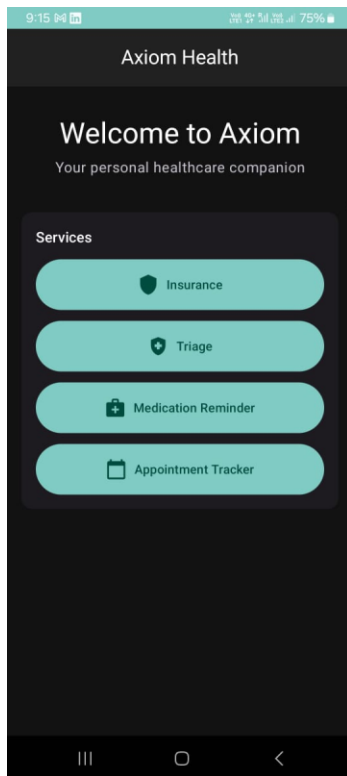


Fig 2. Home Screen

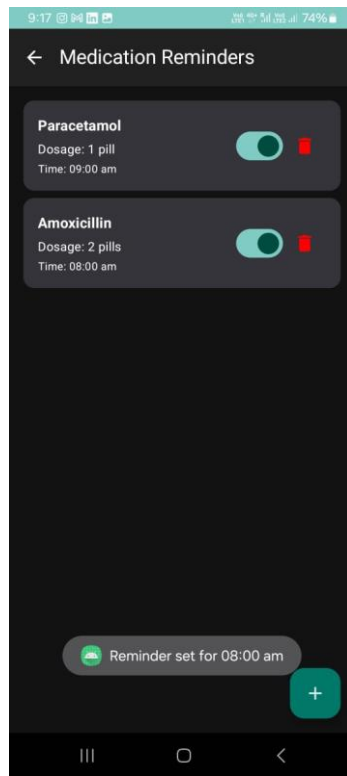


Fig 3. Medication Reminder

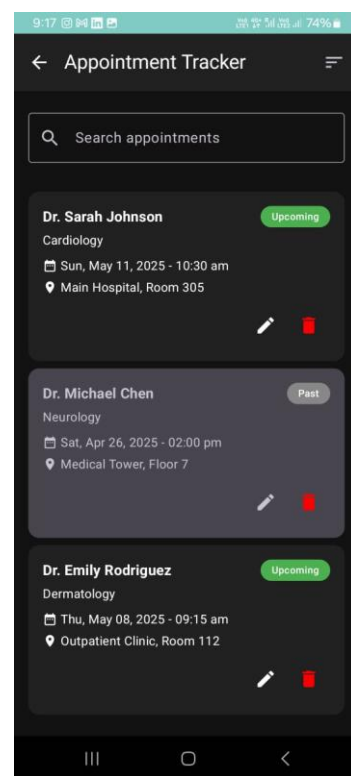


Fig 4. Appointment Tracker

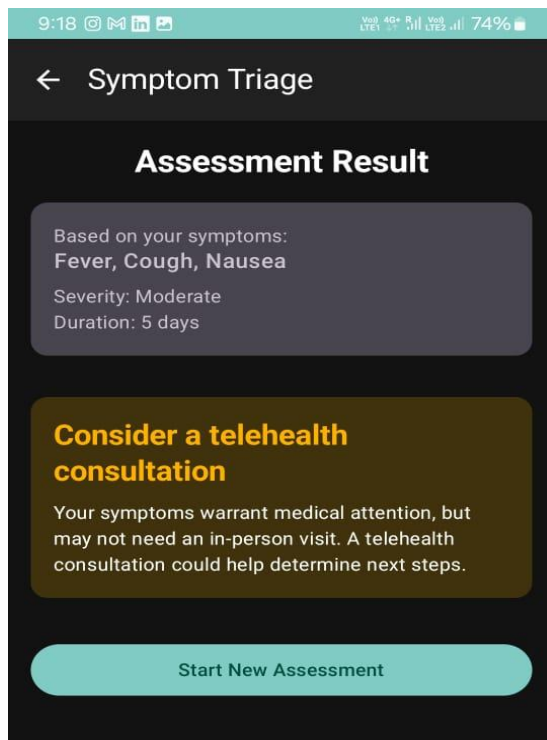


Fig 5. Triage Screen

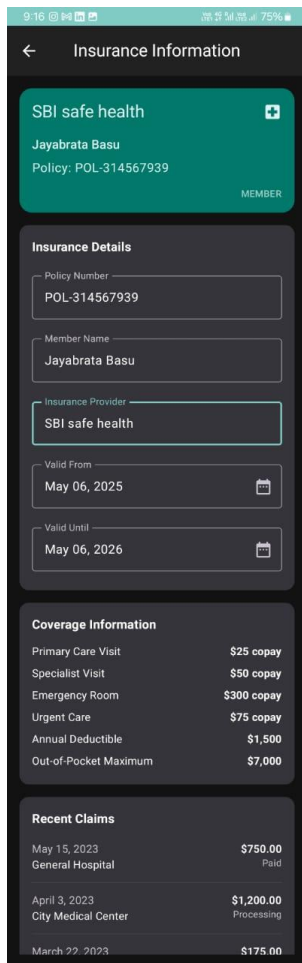


Fig 5. Insurance Screen

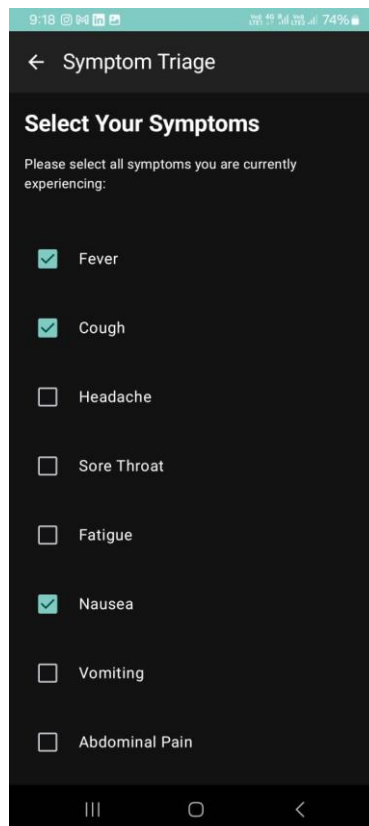


Fig 6. Symptom Selection

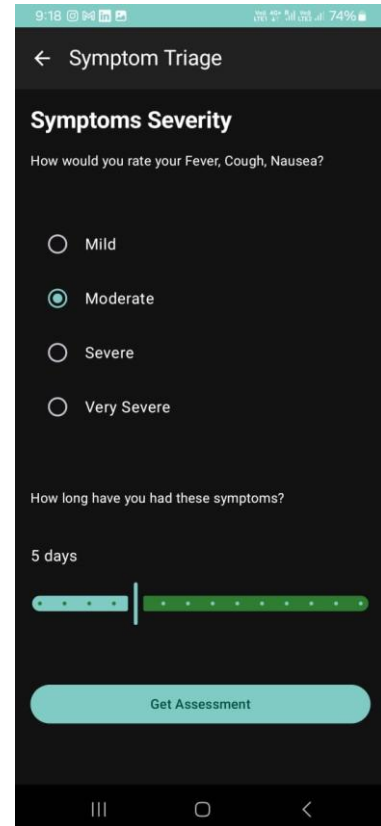


Fig 7. Symptom Severity

The above images are the frontend of the project built in tandem with the backend. The project is deployed as an Android application.

6. Conclusion & Future Enhancements

The Healthcare Management System successfully addresses the need for structured and reliable handling of patient data, medications, insurance details, and medical consultations. By utilizing a relational database approach, it ensures consistency, accuracy, and efficiency in data storage and retrieval. The integration of SQL features like constraints, joins, views, triggers, and cursors not only enhances the performance but also automates key processes, reducing manual errors and improving the overall functionality of the system.

Looking ahead, the system can be enhanced by integrating a user-friendly front-end interface for real-time interaction with the database, enabling patients and doctors to access and update records more intuitively. Future enhancements could also include AI-based health risk prediction using patient history, integration with wearable health devices for real-time monitoring, and a notification system for appointments and medication reminders. Additionally, implementing role-based access control and encrypting sensitive data would further strengthen the system's security and scalability for deployment in real-world healthcare environments.

Furthermore, expanding the system to support multilingual access and cloud-based deployment can make it more inclusive and accessible to users across different regions. Incorporating analytics dashboards for doctors and healthcare administrators can provide valuable insights into patient trends and help in making informed decisions. These future improvements aim to transform the system into a more intelligent, secure, and scalable healthcare solution.

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