# MediClip

MediClip aims to improve information flow in the health industry. Hospital information systems are mostly terminal based. Currently patient information needs to be printed out or manually written down on forms to be available at the patient’s bedside. MediClip solves this problem by having the information available in real-time on the doctor or nurse’s mobile device. Patient notes are also saved directly to the hospitals database. Having doctors and nurses be able to view patient information and add notes to a patient’s files while still at the the patient’s bedside, allows for seamless information sharing around the hospital. The systems currently in place can cause lost or inaccurate data because information must be written down and then transferred digitally, which creates more work for hospital staff.

MediClip is a cross-platform app as the team aims to have the app available on both iOS and Android mobile platforms. This is made possible by utilising Xamarin.forms cross-platform UI toolkit and writing all the code for both platforms in C#. The app works by combining the mobility and ease of use of mobile devices with the up to date information available in the hospitals SQL database. During the apps development, both the SQL database and the web API are hosted on Microsoft Azure. For security reasons this is not ideal. The aim of the MediClip team is to work with hospitals to integrate the web api with their own database on the local network. Ideally, patient data will only be accessable while on the hospitals secure wifi network and no data will be stored on the mobile device itself.

The MediClip app communicates with the database by sending JSON querys to a RESTful web API designed specifically for the MediClip app. The MediClip web API then communicates with the database to both POST and GET information as required. The information from the database is then shown on the mobile app in an easy to read format. The user is also able to add photos to a patient’s note by utilising their device’s built-in camera. This feature aids doctors and nurses in better understanding the patient’s current condition. When writing a note, the user also has the option to use MediClip’s shake-to-clear feature. This feature makes it easier to quickly clear a text field, as deleting text is far more tedious on a mobile device where the user does not have access to a mouse and keyboard. All doctors and nurses signed into the MediClip app will see the updated information as soon as it is added to the SQL database. When viewing patients via the app, they are all listed in the ward that they are currently in. This makes it easier for doctors and nurses to only focus on the information that is relevant to them at that time.

# Reference List

## A1

Xamarin Help Website, Adam Pedley, <https://xamarinhelp.com/use-camera-take-photo-xamarin-forms/>, Explanation of how to use the Xam.Plugin.Media package, to have our app use the camera to take photos and store the photos. We modified the provided algorithms to work with our code and had to install various nuget packages to allow for camera permissions.

## A2

Github Repository, James Montemagno, <https://github.com/jamesmontemagno/MediaPlugin>, Algorithms and an explanation of how to use them inside your code to obtain camera functionality. Had to change permission settings so that the application could access the device’s camera and other media. Changed where photos are stored and how their file names are generated.

## A3

Stackoverflow, Jesper Christensen, <https://stackoverflow.com/questions/35862657/disabling-back-button-c-sharp-android-xamarin-code-not-responding>, This algorithm was used to disable the android back button when the user is on the home page, so they don’t accidentally go back to the login page. No adaptions were needed as this was a simple algorithm.

## B1

Author unknown, Lecture slides and lab material, Explanation and pre written algorithms for getting information from an external database using JSON queries through a web API. Had to make changes to the algorithms to work with the API we created, we also changed different aspects to further work with our application e.g. posting and getting lists.

## B2

Stackoverflow, Ademar, <https://stackoverflow.com/questions/9145667/how-to-post-json-to-a-server-using-c>, Explanation and algorithms on how to POST information to our API. We had to make changes adapting the algorithm to work with our API.

## C1

Lab Material, David Cornforth, Week 5 Lab, Explanation and algorithms that allow the application to activate the accelerometer sensor and obtain readings from the sensor. We added a method to the algorithm that would clear a text field when the accelerometers shake reading returned true.

## C2

Source: W3 Schools <https://www.w3.org/TR/accelerometer/>

Below code was adapted from a similar shake check but code had higher values and checked each value individually and returned values instead of bools.

## C3

Source: Xamarin Forum <https://forums.xamarin.com/discussion/25375/datetime-tolocaltime>

Had to create a variable that to call date and time to Name the photo so each photo has a different name dictated by the date and time the photo was taken and the PatientID