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SMARTPHONE APP REVIEWS

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Doximity

Price: Free

Platform: iOS, Android

What It Does: Doximity is a professional network for physicians. It offers a comprehensive medical directory with 140,000 doctors. Additionally, the app gives a free fax number to everyone who joins, allowing you to securely receive medical records directly into your phone.

Likes: Allows you to quickly and easily receive medical records and look up contact info for doctors.

Dislikes: Not possible to print the records that you receive.

ECG Source

Price: \$1.99

Platforms: iOS

What It Does: This app lists the criteria for different EKG diagnoses and provides a full searchable list of EKG diagnoses and criteria. It also has many sample EKG's, a quiz and video tutorials.

Likes: Good reference app.

Dislikes: Videos are too simplistic and the quiz only offers 4 sample questions.

GoodRx

Price: Free

Platforms: iOS, Android

What it Does: This app enables you to find out the price of any medication without insurance at local pharmacies.

Likes: Enables providers to find affordable medications for patients.

Dislike: Some prices reflected are after a coupon associated with the app, although these can be printed for patients on the GoodRx website.

Heart Failure Trials

Price \$2.99

Platforms: iOS, Android

What It Does: The app summarizes pertinent trials that are relevant for the treatment of heart failure. It organizes the trials by EF, class of medication, and name of medication. It gives a comprehensive summary of the trial, including methods, inclusion/exclusion criteria, results and more.

Likes: Well organized, comprehensive.

Dislikes: Possibly too advanced for medical students.

QX Calculate

Price: Free

Platforms: iOS, Android, Blackberry

What it Does: This app provides a repository of calculators, equations, and scores that are split by specialty.

Likes: Easy to use calculators while on rounds.

Dislike: Can be hard to find certain calculators.



"Spare Change"
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