

19 Must-Have Mobile Apps for Every Nurse



It shouldn't come as much of a surprise that medical facilities strive to offer the most advanced technologies possible. Those developments don't just apply to machines and techniques, though. Today's medical professionals are more likely to greet you with an iPad and stylus in hand, rather than a paper folder and pen. There are so many mobile apps available now to assist nurses with everything from ultrasounds to symptom analysis.

Here is a rundown of the apps no nurse should be without.

#1 [Symptomia](#) is a great tool for nurses and emergency workers. It allows the user to look up more than fifty symptoms, their possible causes, and appropriate diagnosis. [SITE UNAVAILABLE](#)

#2 [Pill Identifier by Drugs.com](#) offers the easily searchable pill guide you're already familiar with from the website: you can quickly search over 10,000 pills by shape, color, strength, and more.

#3 [Medical Spanish](#) If you don't already speak Spanish, you should really have this app. Step over language barriers and offer the best care possible to your patients with this Spanish assistant with audio and commonly used phrases.

#4 [Eponyms](#) is indispensable if you have trouble remembering just what the symptoms of Erlichiosis are. Look up common and not-so-common eponyms for much needed clarification.

#5 [OB Wheel](#) is, admittedly, simply a digitized version of the paper wheel you already use, but with a few improvements: it allows for more flexibility due to irregularities, it has bookmarking capabilities, it may be somewhat more wieldy than the paper wheel, and it's always in your pocket.

#6 [PediSTAT](#) Anyone in pediatric care or emergency care should have this app, which calculates medication for smaller bodies, analyzes symptoms, and describes procedures.

#7 [Pocket Body: Musculoskeletal by Pocket Anatomy](#) offers a comprehensive guide to the musculoskeletal system, and is for that reason a great tool for students. It is also helpful for refreshing the memory of anyone who might not retain all of that information post-graduation.

#8 [Med Mnemonics](#) is another helpful app for nursing students and working nurses alike.

#9 [Critical Care ACLS Guide](#) offers an at-a-glance guide to reading EKGs, administering correct dosages, and avoiding dangerous drug interactions for patients who need life support.

#10 [Skyscape Medical Resources](#) is a free app that includes a medical calculator, prescription and over the counter drug information, and access to a database of medical journals and news.

#11 [Fast Facts for Critical Care](#) is a simple, full-color guide to critical care treatment, including dosage calculations, and procedural guides

#12 [Infuse](#) gives users an easy way to calculate dosage for infusion and bolus-administered drugs.

#13 [Epocrates Essentials](#) carries a steep price tag, but take into account the fact that is not an app, per se, as much as a full encyclopedia. A subscription to this service provides access to drug information, including a pill guide and interaction warnings; available samples; anatomy, symptom, and disease guide; and a rundown of other helpful mobile apps.

#14 [Pocket Lab Values](#) will help make sense of lab results for all manner of medical analyses.

#15 [MRSA eGuideline](#) is useful, easy to read guide to identify, treat, and prevent relapse of drug-resistant staph.

#16 [IDdx](#) takes the guesswork out of identifying infectious diseases, which are searchable by sign, symptom, geographical region, and type.

#17 [Heart Murmur Pro](#) gives the listener the opportunity to learn to listen to and understand heart sounds, with 23 different sounds available, and access to medical databases for even more.

#18 [Anesthesia Drugs Handbook](#) is a comprehensive guide to all things anesthesia, including dosage calculations by weight, administration instructions, and interaction information.

#19 [The Color Atlas of Family Medicine](#) is quite an investment, but the encyclopedic collection of medical information and accompanying image may well be worth it for you.

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