

- “There has been a 95% improvement in the completion of treatment plans on time, a 75% reduction in the amount of paper contained in the paper chart, and a 55% reduction in time spent shuffling paper and duplicating efforts. These combined efforts show up at the bottom line as a significant savings.” – Gail Ranger, Clinical Director, Rose Hill Center
- “I consult at multiple clinics and *NextStep* is by far the best software I've used! I can quickly look at relevant information, conduct med. reviews, and manage prescriptions.” – Lynne Lyons, MD

“A great deal of time is spent in transferring information from one form to another to comply with payer reporting requirements, for an upcoming accreditation visit, for billing, and to prepare information for internal meetings and quality improvement. Not only could this time be used more productively, duplicating efforts delays important processes including submitting bills. With this considerable overhead in administrative time and information that's spread out over many sheets of paper or screens in an electronic records system, valuable clinical information collected during the course of consumer care is rarely used to help the consumer and improve the quality of care provided. Add in large case loads, regular unexpected interruptions, compliance documentation for accreditation, case meetings, and coordinating with psychiatrists and quickly delivering the right information to the right people is a struggle.” – Gail Ranger, Clinical Director, Rose Hill Center

NextStep: The Next Step in Clinical Automation and Evidence-based Care for Mental Health – *NextStep* automates critical processes that have a real impact on the day-to-day procedures involved in providing, documenting, and evaluating care in mental health and provides simple, intuitive ways to use the information without having to collect information “on the side.” Its flexibility and built-in wizards allow an organization to use *NextStep* with its own clinical program, measures, and method of operation without having to rely on technical support or customizations. And, it seamlessly connects to scheduling and billing systems to eliminate entering duplicate data and streamline the billing process, tying fees directly to services provided and the treatment plan.

IMPROVING OPERATIONS & PROVIDING INSTANT EVIDENCE-BASED CARE TO CONSUMERS

Operations – Using *NextStep*, a clinic can: 1) decrease costs by eliminating duplicate work, streamlining billing to reduce delays and errors that occur from transferring information between systems and sheets for billing, and providing eligible services and 2) increase productivity and work quality by improving access to valuable information at the click of a button. *NextStep* only requires Internet Explorer and the Internet with no extra hardware or software installation. *NextStep* links seamlessly with existing billing systems.

Instant Evidence-based Care – *NextStep* provides instant graphs and reports to quickly identify outcomes, goals, and objectives that consumers have made significant progress towards attaining and those that have been difficult for them to achieve. These evidence-based graphs can be viewed by consumer, diagnosis, or provider. Changes in the plan that reflect actual consumers' behavior can be made effortlessly.

TECHNOLOGY

NextStep is a web-based automation software for care facilities by NextStep Solutions, Inc. with years of experience in outcome-based human services. *NextStep* is ideal for outpatient services, residential care, and private practice. Highlights include custom assessments, case management, budgeting and seamless billing, a treatment planning wizard, charting, an integrated outcome dashboard, medication management, prescriptions, drug interactions and side effects, portable technology for on the road, and integrated scheduling. *NextStep* is designed to automate and streamline a paperless workflow and is extremely easy to use, affordable, and easy to set up. Our award-winning management and outcome-driven care tools are second to none. Using our laptop software, *NextStep* can be taken on-the-road for offsite case management and services.

ADVANTAGES

- **Automate Clinical and Administrative Processes** – *NextStep*'s integrated wizards for treatment planning, charting specifically to goals with direct billing, which remind clinical staff of upcoming assessments; plan reviews; medication reviews; and other important milestones, make day-to-day processes quick and easy.
- **Extreme Flexibility** – Using the form builder and program templates, changes to the program, forms, and other important tasks and documents, can be made within the clinic.
- **Cost-Effective** – With *NextStep*, a clinic can solve many of the problems addressed by cumbersome “form-based” systems that only offer electronic forms to keep records without any process automation or evidence-based dashboard. All this and without the high costs associated with other systems entailing constant upgrades in hardware and software since *NextStep* is web-based!

To learn more about NextStep, or to arrange for an online or live demonstration, please contact us at 248.656.7504

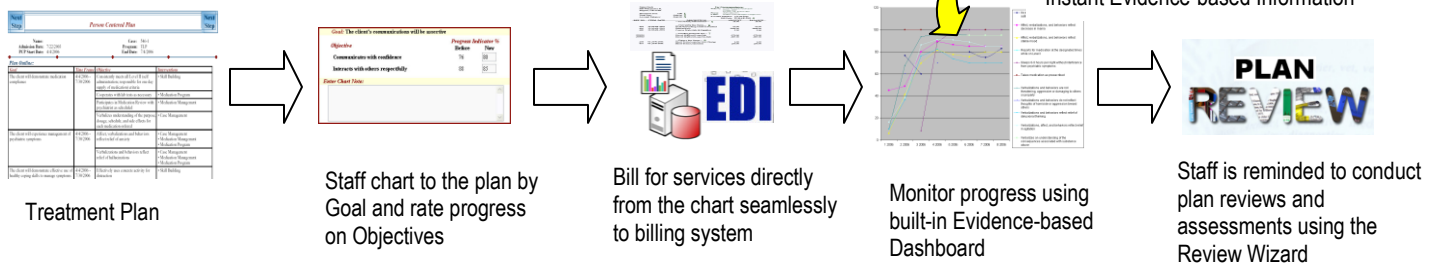
Appendix: Sample Features of the NextStep™ System

Treatment Planning Wizard, Charting, and Direct Billing

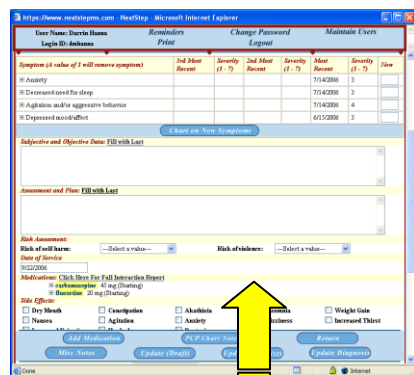
This simple wizard helps to automate the development of personalized treatment plans. Each organization puts their specific treatment program into NextStep. Using NextStep, staff examine each consumer's unique needs and identify treatment plan goals from a series of goals from the treatment program. Based on the goals identified, NextStep helps determine the optimal combination of interventions. Plans are tailored to each consumer by adding personalized details and staff instructions. Staff chart to the plan by goal and bill directly from the chart for services without any extra steps or delays. Part of the treatment planning wizard includes a dashboard for monitoring progress towards achieving a goal and a treatment plan review wizard. This comes complete with reminders that tell staff of upcoming reviews, assessments, and other important events without the hassle of setting reminder alarms – it's automatic.

Choosing interventions in the treatment plan wizard

Goals	Objectives	Available Interventions					
		Group Therapy	Medication Program	Off Campus Activities	Physical Health Activities	Pre-reqs	Other
The client will experience management of perceptual symptoms	Verbalizations are relevant	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Verbalizations reflect reality based thinking	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Verbalizes and demonstrates appropriate perception of physical pain and discomforts	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The client's communications will be assertive	Communicates with confidence	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Interacts with others respectfully	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Total objectives linked:		5	0	0	1	1	1



Medication Review Wizard



Sample medication review and management

Physicians use the Medication Management tools in NextStep to conduct medication reviews, record and assess presenting symptoms, keep chart notes, prescribe medications, and record side effects. Without any extra work, NextStep links presenting symptoms that are being treated by medication to the treatment plan. Physicians have one-click access to quality chart notes for goals relevant to the symptoms they are treating. NextStep also identifies risks of drug interactions and side effects using the Genelex RX knowledgebase endorsed by the American Psychological Association. With the Medication Review Wizard, valuable information can be collected and aligned with our evidence-based practice engine *without any extra work from the doctors*. Features like quick-fill options, onscreen symptom history, and color-coded medication statuses make NextStep an outstanding tool for a quality, quick, and easy medication review – perfect for large case loads!

Custom Forms Using the Form Builder

NextStep integrates important clinical practices and documentation into automation wizards, and also keeps clinical assessments and other records using customized forms. Instead of relying on expensive technical assistance, using our Form Builder custom forms can be created and changed in a matter of minutes. Custom forms can include narratives, diagnoses from the latest DSM, a list of choices, a group of choices where just one option can be selected or a group where one or more can be selected, drop-down choices, consumer information, and more. The forms designed in NextStep can be designated as assessments that reoccur such as an annual psychosocial evaluation or as a form that can be filled out at any time. Forms can be signed by multiple parties using e-Signatures or using a signature pad that captures an image of the actual signature. Information can be set to save as a draft, as final, or sealed. External documents such as Word documents, Excel spreadsheets, and Adobe PDF files can be attached to the clinical record.

Build your own clinical forms

