

- Copy, Paste, and Carry Forward (CPCF) is the ability to easily copy and paste or carry forward information from one note to the other. The use and misuse of this function effects patients by leading to poor patient care decisions such as someone being treated for a diagnosis that they do not have, patient safety can be altered such as a patient going for a procedure that they are not supposed to have which can lead to death, copied assessments may not show change in patient status therefore the doctor may believe that the patient is fine according to the note when in reality the patient is declining rapidly, improper representation of time can occur leading to patients not getting medications on time. Copy and pasting things such as med lists can potentially reduce medication errors improving patient safety.

