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# Medscape Launches Crowdsourced Clinical Knowledge Platform to Improve Physician Decision-Making and Collaboration

# Medscape Consult<sup>™</sup> is Next Generation Virtual 'Curbside Consult'

NEW YORK, Nov. 11, 2015 /PRNewswire/ -- Medscape, the leading source of medical news and information for physicians, today launched Medscape Consult<sup>™</sup>, an innovative digital platform designed to support physicians with pedo-peer insights and evidence-based answers at the point of care.

Medscape Consult is a new feature of Medscape's flagship app that allows physicians to share cases, ask questions, and discuss best practices in real time, with access to Medscape's unrivaled reference content and expert decision support. Medscape Consult will ensure a depth of scientific rigor and clinical utility through a unique, moderated environment featuring editorial oversight with physician authors and expert reviews for selected content.

#### To learn more about Medscape Consult visit: http://www.medscape.com/consult-feature

## Medscape Consult is available at the iTunes Store for Apple iPhone® users here: http://taps.io/BDqaQ



#### Key Medscape Consult Features:

At the core of Medscape Consult is access to Medscape's Drugs & Diseases reference database, a resource regarded as the go-to choice by hundreds of thousands of physicians seeking clinical answers. Medscape Consult builds upon this evidence-based foundation with peer-to-peer contributions paired with robust content curation and streamlined navigation, creating a digital curbside consult grounded in actionable clinical utility.

With Medscape Consult, physician interactions and information-sharing will be housed in a moderated environment with editorial oversight to provide information that is concise and scientifically grounded. Additionally, Medscape Consult will feature expert authors and reviewers for selected content, further expanding the breadth and depth of clinical information and discussion.

The new tool will also enable physicians to:

- Post Cases: Share interesting or challenging de-identified cases and consult with other physicians
- Comment: Discuss cases or questions by posting attributed comments
- Search for Answers: Seek targeted, authoritative answers at the point of care
- Ask Questions: Pose clinical questions to the Medscape community and thought leaders
- Connect and Collaborate: Engage medical colleagues and experts in clinical discussion

• Raise Their Profile: Build an online presence and showcase clinical expertise that can help expand their digital footprint in the medical community

Medscape Consult's mobile-first launch paves the way for subsequent launches in early 2016, including Medscape Consult for desktop.

## Quotes:

#### Steve Zatz, WebMD President

"As physicians are increasing their reliance on digital sources of information, they are seeking tools that can improve
patient care while streamlining day-to-day clinical practice. We have created Medscape Consult to help physicians
provide better patient care, and we'll continue to integrate physician feedback to ensure as clinically robust a tool as
possible. With Medscape Consult, we hope to improve patient outcomes by harnessing the collective knowledge of the
professional healthcare community so that physicians can solve, share, search and collaborate on clinical cases."

#### Ben Greenberg, WebMD Vice President, Product Management & User Experience

 "There are platforms where doctors can pose questions, voice opinions, and view cool images - all fine but fleeting, with varied clinical utility. Medscape created a digital platform that is grounded in evidence-based clinical information, supported by expert oversight and robust curation, and built on the foundation of Medscape's Drugs and Diseases reference database - a well-established and trusted resource used by hundreds of thousands of physicians around the world."

#### About Medscape and WebMD

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