

Voice Recognition

Voice recognition (VR), sometimes called speech recognition (SR), is a technology that translates the spoken word into the written/electronic word. In healthcare it is most commonly used for physician notes in the medical record. The physician dictates the information and either edits the information himself/herself, or a staff member edits the information. The physician note can be printed for inclusion in the paper chart, or can be imported into the electronic chart. Some electronic medical record (EMR) software products have speech recognition built-in, and some have the ability to integrate with speech recognition software.