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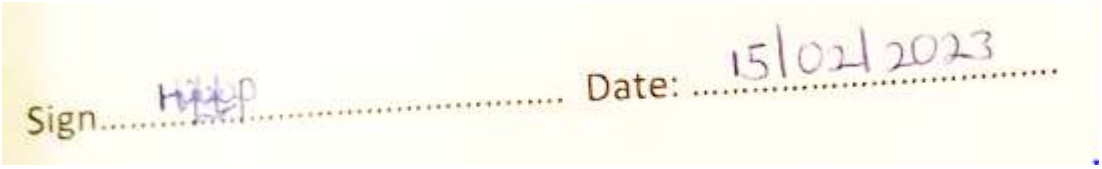

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Acronyms

CD	Compact Disc
DBMS	Database Management System

GB	Giga Byte
GHZ	Giga Hertz
LAN	Local Area Network
M.I.S	Management Information Systems
MySQL	My structured Query language
PDUR	Prospective Drug Utilization Review
P H P	Hypertext preprocessor RAM - Random Access Memory

ABSTRACT

This project was aimed at designing a web-based Pharmacy Stock Management System; a system to aid in the management and operation of the pharmacy.

Methods that were used to gather information about the current system include; interviews, record review and questionnaires. From that information, requirements for the new system were obtained.

The methodologies used include the Structured System Analysis and Design (SSAD) which was used for analysis and designing the system as well as the RAD (Rapid Application Development) which was easy to deliver a working system with all the modules worked upon one after the other.

Furthermore, I went ahead and employed MySQL as a database management system, PHP as the technology which is an open source general purpose scripting language that is especially suited for web development and can be embedded into HTML. In addition, HTML (Hyper-text Mark-up Language) and CSS (Cascading Style Sheets) which are the core web scripting languages for building web pages and web applications were used. HTML provided the structure of web pages whereas CSS was mainly used to control the styling and layout of web pages.

The system generates reports that are vital for the pharmacy administration.

CHAPTER ONE

1.0: Introduction

Chapter one presents an overview and the rationale upon which the research outcomes are evaluated. It has eight sections namely: Introduction, background of the study, statement of the problem, research questions, general and specific objectives of the study, scope of the study, research contribution, and justification.

1.1: Background of study

Stock control and business processes have been tedious and a complicated process in many organizations today. This has been so because these processes are done manually, placing the workload on the general staff (Lee and Billington 1992). Today's organizations value efficiency and reliability in terms of delivery and management of their products, relative to slow and inefficient manual systems in place. Manual systems are far reaching negative effects which are time consuming as the staff doesn't have prior knowledge of available stock levels in the store hence unable to predict proper timing for new stock deliveries. This means customers are kept waiting while the staff go down in the shelves to trace the product. The management also is not in a good position to monitor the profits, trends of growth, losses and development strategies to be put in place for the future, due to inconsistencies of manual record keeping systems. This project will involve design and implementation of a computerized stock control system. This is a system that will allow an easy and effective way to control and maintain business processes. For instance, stock levels which were initially manual will be automated. Maximum stock levels will be computerized hence investment on inventory will be kept at minimum so that the funds are made available for more productive uses thereby avoiding borrowing and consequent loss on interest. Losses will be minimized on account of obsolescence due to overstocking Minimum stock levels will be maintained automatically making sure that items are available in the store where and when needed. Expired medicine and drugs that are out of stock will be detected automatically. The system is intended to run on a networked environment so information will be shared efficiently hence reducing on the time wasted by moving from one place to another hence a database will be used to capture the information. (Farquhar, Fikes et al. 1997).

The appointment of a systems administrator who will be in charge of maintaining the system and also user training on the use of the new system.

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