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# **Community Newsletter**

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# **Community Highlights**

#### **OMRS25 Highlights**

In September, our community came together in Kampala, Uganda for the annual OpenMRS Implementers' Meeting. For a week, we engaged in a hackathon, showcases and discussions from different stakeholders. If you missed it, you can catch all the sessions in the event playlist.



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#### From the Blog: Voices from Our Community

Our blog is a space for community members to share their expertise and stories. Here are a few recent highlights:

 How investments are making OpenMRS more flexible than ever with the new HIS Distro project: Read about the all-in-one, modular distribution brings together OpenMRS 3, Odoo for ERP, SENAITE for lab management.

Would you like to share an article/collaborate on an article related to OpenMRS? Reach out to <a href="mailto:community@openmrs.org">community@openmrs.org</a>

**Read More Blogs Here** 

#### It's a wrap for Google Summer of Code 2025!!

OpenMRS was selected to be a mentoring organization for Google Summer of Code 2025!

We had GSoC students working on the selected 8 projects for 3 months. Detailed information regarding all projects is available <u>here</u>.

There are numerous blog posts from GSoC contributors detailing their weekly progress on various projects. Blog post updates can be found here.

In September, all the students completed their projects and passed their final evaluations. Special appreciation to the students, mentors and community at large who worked together to ensure the projects we a success. Detailed videos on the projects are linked below.

**GSoC 2025 Project Videos** 

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#### **EMR and Platform Releases**

Together we released EMR (RefApp) 3.5 and a major Platform Release 2.8.0, with some impressive milestones to make the EMR better for clinicians and safer for patients.

#### 03 EMR 3.5 Released

#### Key highlights include:

- New role-based Clinician Homepage improves workflow for registration clerks, clinicians, and more.
- Fast Data Entry restored and production-ready essential for group visits and bulk data entry.
- Comprehensive Immunization History View now available.
- 400+ new medications and expanded immunization metadata included.
- New Interactive Translation Builder makes form localization easier for non-developers.

# **OpenMRS Platform 2.8.0 Released**

### Key highlights include:

- Cloud-ready architecture (S3 storage, ElasticSearch, distributed caching).
- Production-grade PostgreSQL support and Java 21 compatibility.
- Revamped Installation Wizard and SDK enhancements simplify setup.
- Provider Role Management now built into core platform (no separate module needed).

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- Allergy Alerts & Procedure Tracking built during the September Hackathon — now in testing.
- Bed Management Enhancements improve patient transfers and support for mother-baby pairs.
- New Patient Chart Timeline provides clearer chronological view across visits.
- New age- and gender-specific reference ranges piloted for key lab tests.

**Community Projects** 



# System Interoperability & Demos

New Reference Distribution with Ozone now connects to OpenELIS, Odoo, and Superset for lab, billing, and data visualization — with global demo videos now available.

**Check Out The Video Playlist** 



### Cloud & DevOps Advancements

- OpenMRS Helm Chart 1.0.0 released Kubernetes-based deployment is now easier and more scalable than ever.
- Community training video released on deploying OpenMRS in the cloud with Helm + Terraform.

Check out our Cloud video playlist below.

**Cloud YouTube Playlist** 



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medications, wards, and more.

- Major bug fixes across patient visit flows, navigation, and dispensing forms.
- Improved translation coverage in French, Indonesian, Georgian, and more.

More about testing in OpenMRS 3 can be found below.

**Testing in O3** 

# From the Community

- O3 Feature Squad coordination continues to help align product development with implementer needs.
- Mentorship on critical features is ongoing to ensure our community members can effectively contribute (e.g. audit logging, form translations, immunization scheduling, FDE).

**Join Our Community Discussions** 

#### **Did You Know?**

Here is a summary of interesting going-ons in the community:

- **OpenMRS Product Roadmap:** We keep refining our roadmap, check out our updated roadmap <a href="here">here</a>.
- Al and OpenMRS: The community continues to discuss and showcase ongoing interest and efforts in Al. <u>Learn more here</u>.

# **Job Opportunities**

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Do you know of any company or contracts hiring for work on OpenMRS-related initiatives?

Share job or contract listings FOR FREE with the whole OpenMRS community on our <u>Jobs board</u>!

If you would like us to post on your behalf, contact <a href="mailto:community@openmrs.org">community@openmrs.org</a>.

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