Measuring practitioner's time

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This section explains how Zedmed measures a practitioner's time and defines a practitioner for licensing.

It can be important for practices to understand how a doctor's time is allocated in Zedmed so that doctors' time and remuneration can be correctly allocated.

Doctor license types

A doctor is a user in Zedmed with a **doctor's profile**.

Full-time doctor
A doctor that averages more than 24 scheduled or consulting hours in Zedmed per week, whatever is higher.

Part-time doctor
A doctor that averages less than 24 scheduled or consulting hours in Zedmed per week, whatever is higher.

Time management

Scheduled hours
The time in Zedmed's Appointment Book when a doctor is available for bookings.

Appointments hours
The time in a doctor's scheduled hours that has booked appointments.

The screenshot below shows appointments added to 2 doctors' schedules. The schedules are divided into 15-minute time slots into which 10-minute standard consults are added. Longer consults take 2 time slots.

Encounter hours
The duration of a patient's encounter as recorded by the doctor using the encounter timer. This could be longer or shorter than the actual appointment.
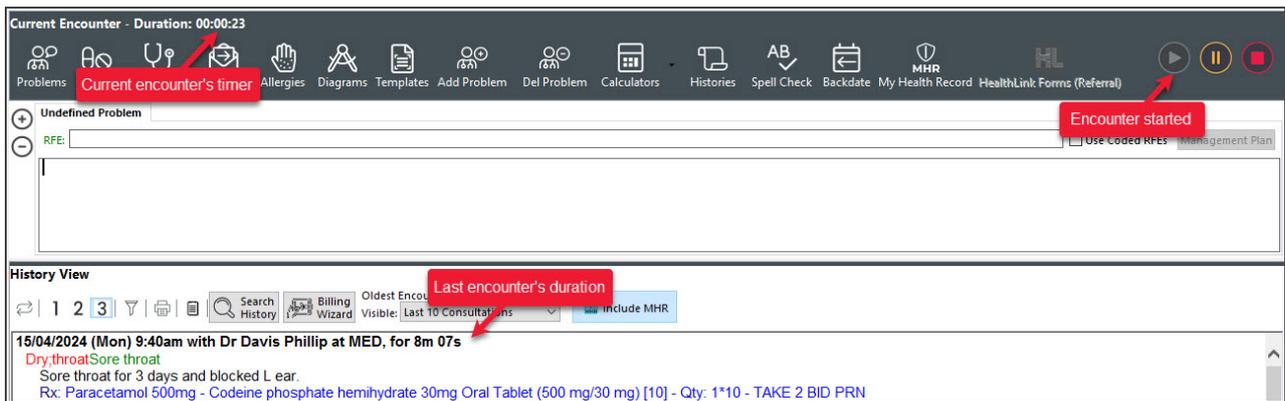
Considerations

- A schedule is reserved for a specific activity such as taking appointments or giving consultations.
- An appointment duration can depend on the appointment type, e.g., standard, long and specialist consultations.
- When a doctor should start and end the Encounter timer is up to the doctor or clinic.