

POLAR Walrus



Walrus is a point of care tool for GPs. Walrus prompts you about specific items, missing data, clinical prompts, risk scores, PIP-QI or MBS items for the patient on-screen.

This space contains documentation on the installation, configuration and use of the Walrus tool as well as key facts on getting started.

Installation

1. Download the Walrus client installer from <https://polarexplorer.org.au/Downloads/WalrusClient/WalrusClient.application>
2. Click on the INSTALL button to download the setup file

Outcome Health Walrus

Name: Walrus

Version: 1.0.0.73

Publisher: Outcome Health

The following prerequisites are required:

- Microsoft .NET Framework 4.7.2 (x86 and x64)

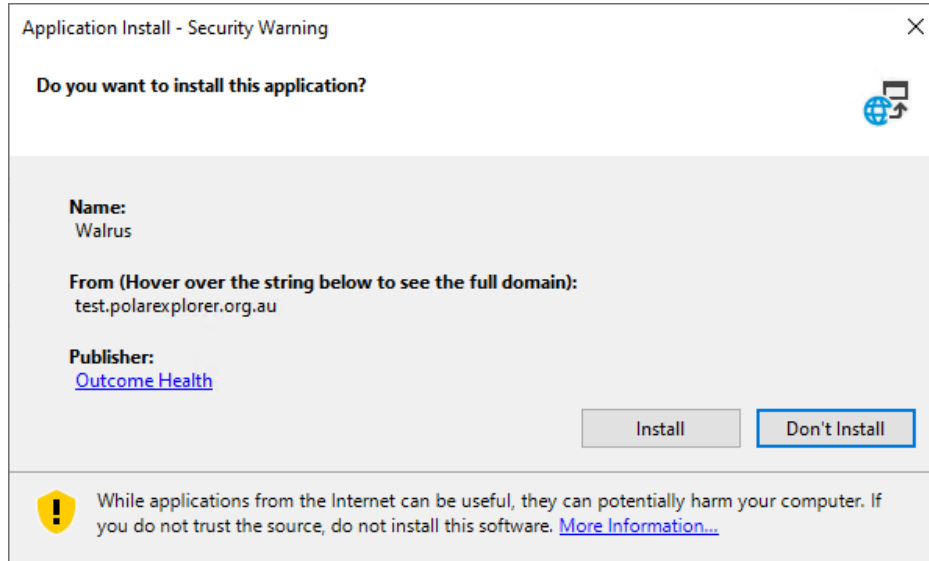
If these components are already installed, you can [launch](#) the application now. Otherwise, click the button below to install the prerequisites and run the application.

Install

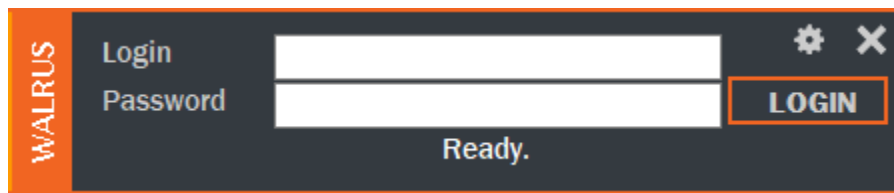
3. Run the installer application, setup.exe



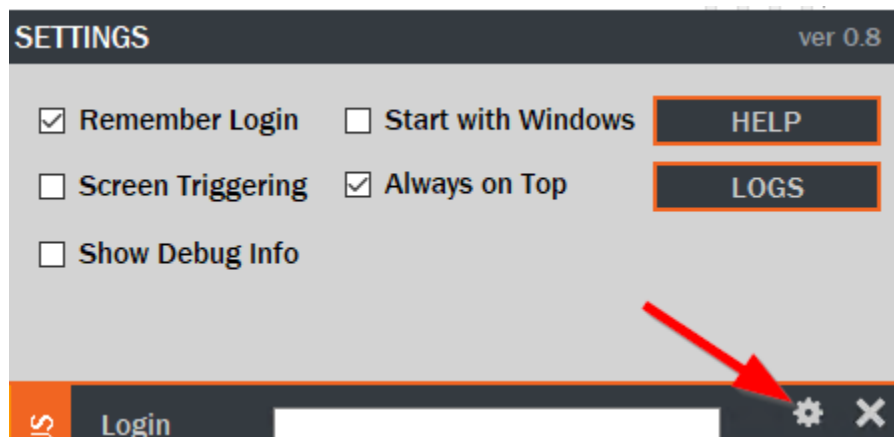
4. Click the INSTALL button



5. When Walrus starts you will be asked to enter your POLAR username and password



Configuring Walrus



- Remember login - select box to ensure Walrus remembers your username when you first open it
- Start with Windows - Walrus will open when you start your PC

- Screen triggering - Turn on/off the screen triggering functionality

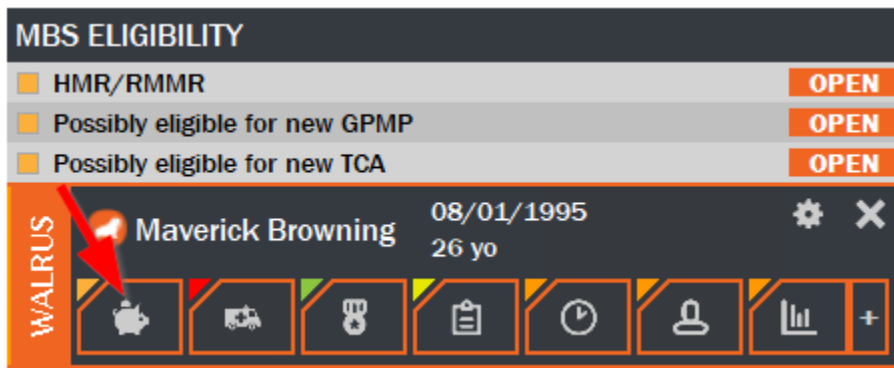
Screen triggering is in a beta state, please use at your discretion.

- Always on top - If on, Walrus will remain on top of any other software on the screen
- Show debug info - For support purposes

See [YouTube](#) for a video on configuring Walrus

Walrus content

MBS item eligibility

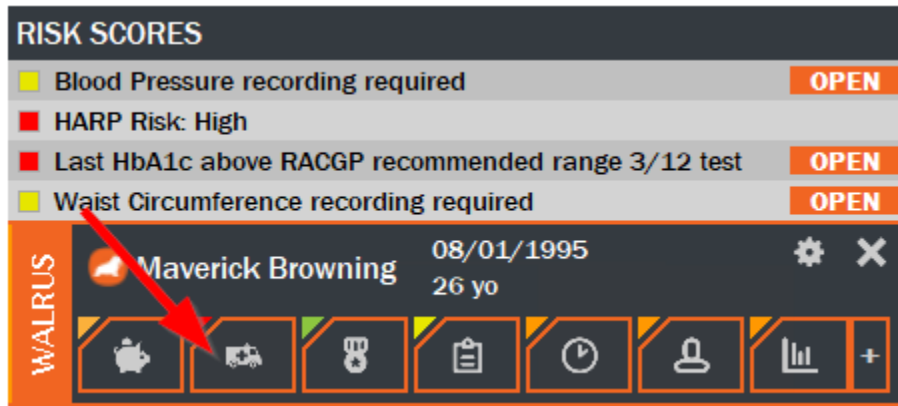


The Walrus MBS eligibility data provides information on patient eligibility for:

- Possibly eligible for new GPMP
- Possibly eligible for new TCA
- Care Plan Review
- Eligible for Indigenous Health Assessment
- HMR/RMMR
- 75+ Health Assessment
- 45-49 Health Assessment

Please note that this is based on information in your billing (where available to POLAR), and does not include items billed at other practices.

Risk/clinical



The risk scores tab shows the calculated risk for a patient under the Western HARP model, Australian Absolute CVD Risk calculation and APRI cirrhosis risk.

Documentation on these scores can be found via the below

[HARP Risk Calculation Report - Data Definitions](#)

[CVD risk calculation process](#)

[APRI score calculation](#)

The possible values are:

HARP risk:

- Low
- Medium
- High
- Urgent

CVD risk:

- Low
- Medium
- High
- At risk

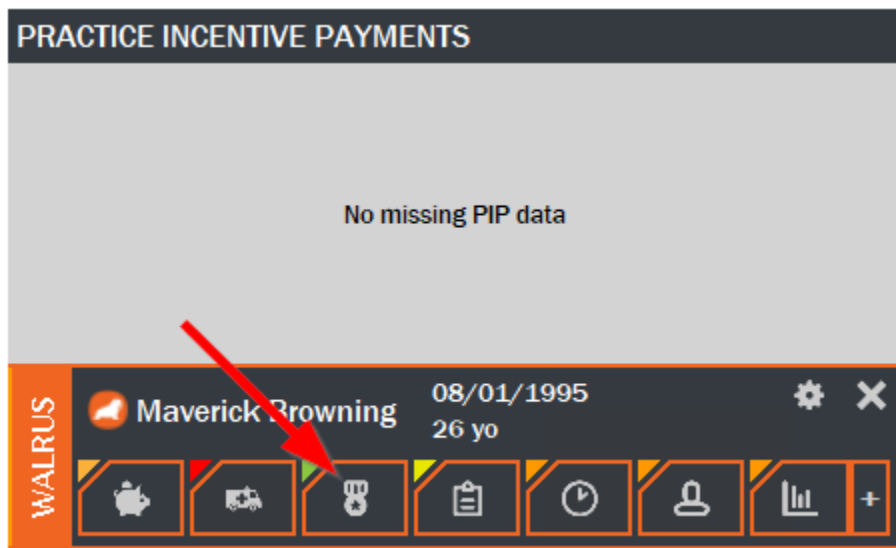
APRI cirrhosis risk:

- Little to no indication of cirrhosis
- Moderate indicator of cirrhosis
- Strong indicator of cirrhosis

Other risk items include:

- BMI recording required
- Waist Circumference recording required
- Blood Pressure recording required
- Lipids test required
- Fasting Glucose test required
- HbA1c testing is due for diabetes monitoring care
- Last HbA1c above RACGP recommended range 3/12 test
- COVID vaccine phase 1a
- COVID vaccine phase 1b
- COVID vaccine phase 2a
- COVID vaccine phase 2b
- COVID vaccine phase 3
- COVID vaccine phase 4

PIP QI



Provides prompts for missing data/tests for patients who fall under PIP QI measures, these include:

QIM 1 - HbA1c test required (where a patient has type 1/2 diabetes or an unknown type of diabetes)

QIM 2 - Smoking status not recorded

QIM 3 - BMI not recorded in past 12 months

QIM 4 - Flu vaccination required (65+ patients)

QIM 5 - Flu vaccination required (Patients with diabetes)

QIM 6 - Flu vaccination required (Patients with COPD)

QIM 7 - AUDIT C required

QIM 8 - CVD risk components required

QIM 9 - Cervical screening required

QIM 10 - Blood pressure not recorded in past 6 months

Data quality

MISSING	
Aboriginal Torres Strait Islander Status	OPEN
Emergency Contact	OPEN
Ethnicity	OPEN
Family History	OPEN
Next of Kin	OPEN
Suburb	OPEN

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The data quality tab will give you information around missing information for both the clinical part of a patient's record and demographics/admin component.