

Re: Using Voice Recognition for Transcription

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I have been using VR for a couple years in pretty much the same way Barbara does. I use it part-time to give my hands a break.

I don't have much to add to her comprehensive reply, but that I also am a bit faster with my keyboard, but not so much so that VR isn't viable for me.

I also have a "good voice" for VR, so my accuracy with it is very good. I'm currently using the 7.3 Medical version of DNS. It is an older version but works so well for me that I see no need to upgrade.

Proofing when you use VR is very different from proofing when you type. VR makes errors that you are not used to seeing and are not expecting to see. I do proof as I go with VR, but I have to proof with much more vigilance than when I type. The mistakes are completely different.

BTW, Vista, the new OS from Microsoft, is supposed to come with fairly good VR built in. If you have a pc with Vista, or are considering getting a new pc, you could try using VR for free and see how it goes. You would probably have to do a lot more training of medical terminology, however, than with VR software that comes with a medical dictionary.

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