CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A portable device for retrieving medical information pertaining to a selected patient, the device comprising a tag configured to be read by at least one reader associated with a user interface, wherein the user interface is configured to display the medical information upon the reader reading the tag.

2. The device of claim 1, wherein the device is a card.

3. The device of claim 1, wherein the tag is a near field communication tag and the reader is a near field communication tag reader.

4. The device of claim 1, wherein the user interface is a computer.

5. The device of claim 1, wherein the user interface is a hand held wireless device.

6. An assembly for retrieving medical information pertaining to a selected patient, comprising:

a portable device comprising a readable tag;

a reader configured to read the tag;

a user interface in communication with the reader, the user interface comprising a visual interface configured to display the medical information upon the reader reading the tag.

7. The assembly of claim 6, wherein the user interface is a computer and the visual interface is a monitor.

8. The assembly of claim 6, wherein the medical information is stored on a remotely located server.

9. The assembly of claim 6, wherein the tag is a near field communication tag and the reader is a near field communication reader.

10. The assembly of claim 6, wherein the tag is a quick response tag and the reader is a quick response reader.

11. The assembly of claim 10, wherein:

the user interface is a hand held wireless device comprising a camera configured to capture an image of the tag; and

the reader is configured to read the image of the tag.

12. A method for retrieving medical information pertaining to a selected patient, comprising:

providing at a device associated with the patient, the device comprising a readable tag;

providing a reader configured to read the tag;

providing a user interface associated with the reader, the user interface including a visual interface and being configured to transmit a signal to a remote server that stores the medical information;

reading the tag with the reader;

transmitting the signal from the user interface to the remote server in response to reading the tag, the signal comprising a request for the medical information;

receiving the signal by the server;

transmitting the medical information from the server to the user interface in response to the signal; and

displaying the medical information on the visual interface.

13. The method of claim 12, wherein the user interface is a computer and the visual interface is a monitor.

14. The method of claim 12, wherein the user interface is a hand held wireless device.

15. The method of claim 12, further comprising:

providing a request for login credentials after reading the tag with the reader; and

receiving login credentials from a user prior to displaying the medical information on the visual interface.

16. The method of claim 12, further comprising:

providing a first option and a second option after reading the tag with the reader, wherein the first option comprises a user entering login credentials, and the second option comprises the user activating an emergency option.

17. The method of claim 16, wherein the emergency option comprises at least one of a user activating an emergency button or a user complying with an information request.

18. The method of claim 8, wherein the emergency option comprises a user activating an emergency button, wherein the emergency button is displayed on the user interface.

19. The method of claim 16, further comprising selecting the second option, wherein the method further comprises initiating contact between a user and emergency personnel after selecting the second option.

20. The method of claim 17, wherein the information request comprises a request for personal information pertaining to the patient.