Addressing a Secure Session-Key Scheme for Mobility Supported e-Healthcare Systems

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(*Pt9*)*Abstract*—Wireless medical sensor networks, also called e-Healthcare systems, provide mobility to the patients for making life easier and comfortable. However, a secure mobility support is highly desirable to a patient while he/she is moving. In this paper, we discuss security issues facing mobility supported e-Healthcare applications, and propose a secure session-key scheme for addressing security issues. The proposed scheme is suitable for the e-Healthcare systems where a patient is allowed to move and stay connected, securely. The proposed scheme not only establishes a session-key but according to HIPAA acts it also performs robust authenticity for the (mobile) medical sensor, the fixed access point, and the base-station. Our preliminary evaluation shows that the proposed scheme is feasible in-hospital, in-clinic, and homecare environments.

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