THE PHC CERNER LEARNER

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THEY'RE LIVE!

VGH went live on the morning of Saturday November 5! You may start noticing some changes and new features and options, as each go live brings with it more content (and complexity). Should you notice changes which are not an improvement, say so! We have a good chance to help get things fixed if brought forward ASAP. Email providerinformatics@providencehealth.bc.ca with any observations or questions. And in the meantime, enjoy this issue packed with 'quick tips' and new additions to the system!

~Janet

MH ACT FORMS UPDATE HEALTH ACT

The new Mental Health Act modules are now live. When placing a form 4 or 6 on a patient, be sure to order the corresponding module. This ensures that SW and nursing get the appropriate orders and that the system can alert the team when the form is about to expire, avoiding last minute scrambles. The new modules should be available in your Quick Orders in the 'PowerPlans' box under 'Mental Health Act.'



VGH CLINIC REFERRALS

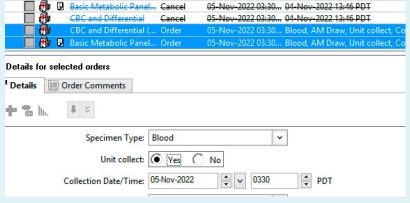
With VGH's activation, many VGH clinics are now set up to take referrals directly through Cerner! You can search for thse 'referral to' orders, or find them in your handy-dandy Quick Order page in the folder called "VGH Referrals/Outpatient." This also means we can send imaging requests directly to VGH Medical Imaging as well! Just select the appropriate location in the "Scheduling Location" dropdown under order details.

Keep in mind that not every clinic is live, though. If you can't find the clinic you seek, probably the paper requisition is still the way to go for now. A full list of the clinics which have gone live is here.

CANCEL AND REORDER LABS

Of great personal excitement for me is that we have finally figured out how to make it possible to 'Cancel/Reorder' lab orders. This means that if you place a whole bunch of lab orders and then realise you want to change the start date, priority, or collection route (like if the patient is getting a PICC for access) – you can now do so without having to manually cancel and then re-enter each order. You can now multiselect the orders, right click and select 'Cancel/Reorder.' The old orders will be cancelled and duplicated with new orders which you can modify before signing off, just as we are able to do with medication orders.



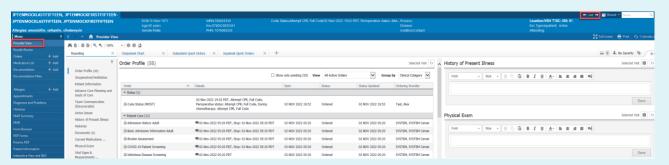


SUPERUSER TIPS

A bunch of great tips from our Informatics Team and superusers!

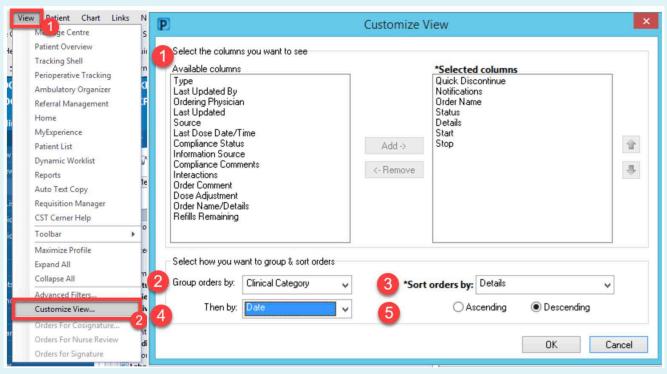
Did you know you can scroll through your patient list without returning to the list itself? All you need to do is click with a patient chart open.

But that's not all, this opens the next patient chart to the same section as the previous chart. In this case, clicking the next arrow takes the user to Provider View in the "Rounding" tab while maintaining the popped out note sections "History of Present Illness" and "Physical Exam".



Did you know you can customize your orders profile in Cerner? When you are in a patients order profile:

- 1. Click "View" on your toolbar
- 2. Click "Customize View".



The "Customize View" window will open which gives you the ability to customize using five options:

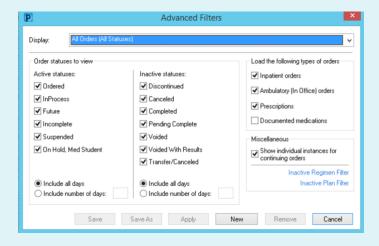
- 1. Add, remove, and reorganize the columns on your orders profile.
- 2. Choose how you want your orders grouped.
- 3. Choose how you want your orders sorted within your groups.
- 4. Choose a second grouping within the group you selected in step 2 (not required).
- 5. Select "Ascending" or "Descending"

SUPERUSER TIPS CONT

Can't find the order you are looking for? Have you tried clicking the blue hyperlink at the top of the orders profile?



This will open the "Advanced Filters" pop-up window. This will allow you to see which orders will appear on your orders profile and save your own custom filters! Be sure to click off "Show individual instances for continuing orders" – this setting allows you to see the daily orders for bloodwork, for example, when it's been ordered as 'daily x3 days' – so you can tell if today's bloodwork has been collected or resulted yet.



Did you know that you can add a diagnosis as a favorite? It's easy, all you need to do is:

- 1. Search for your diagnosis in the "Diagnoses and Problems" section.
- 2. Click your favorite diagnosis
- 3. Click "Add to Favorites"
- 4. Select a folder
- 5. Click "OK"

