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# Introduction

The *Consult/Request Tracking User Manual* provides descriptions of Consults' options and other information required to effectively use the Consult/Request Tracking package (or Consults).

This manual is for people who use the Consults package in the course of their hospital duties, including:

- Care providers: doctors, nurses, pharmacists, and therapists who make or service requests for consultations on patients.
- Clerical staff, who assist the above-mentioned people.
- Quality Assurance and management, who have an interest in seeing that VA patients receive the best possible care.
- Consults functionality is available from a Windows interface (GUI—Graphical User Interface) on a PC workstation or from a roll-and-scroll List Manager (LM) interface on a traditional CRT (Cathode Ray Tube) terminal or terminal emulation software on a PC workstation.

You can pull out parts of this manual, such as the **User Introduction to GUI** section or the **Package Operation** section, to use for unit training or reference. General parts of this manual, such as the **Package Orientation** section, have been written with examples from Consults to make the general information more meaningful to this application.

# **Overview**

# **Purpose**

Consult/Request Tracking package V. 3.0 improves the quality of patient care by:

- Interfacing with CPRS to provide an efficient mechanism for clinicians to order consults and procedure requests.
- Providing consulting services with the ability to update and track the progress of a consult/procedure request from the point of receipt through its final resolution.
- Providing results reporting that includes doctor's notes and comments entered during the tracking process.

# **Relationship to Other Packages**

The Consults package works with the following packages:

- Computerized Patient Record System (CPRS)
- Text Integration Utilities (TIU)

# **Relationship of Consults to CPRS**

# From CPRS Actions to Consults:

- Ordering
- Order checking
- Order updates via HL7 messages
- Inter-Facility Consults via HL7 messages
- Tracking Consults activity
- Resulting TIU and Consults
- Notifications

### From Consults actions to CPRS:

- Consult status changes update the CPRS order
- Forwarded and edit/resubmitted consults get a new service/correction order from CPRS
- Sends alerts based on consult activity

# Relationship of Consults to TIU

# From TIU Actions to Consults:

- Select a consult to associate with a note
- One consult link per consult note
- Sends TIU updates to consult package for:
- New consult note entered
  - Consult note completed
  - New addendum completed

- Disassociate a note
- Extract notes for SF 513 and displays

# From Consult Actions to TIU:

- A consult may have multiple notes associated with it.
- Lists the notes associated with a consult.
- Uses TIU to act on a note.
- Updates consult status and activity log from TIU updates.

# **Enhancements since Version 2.5**

## **GMRC\*3\*73**

This patch is part of the Computerized Patient Records System CPRSv30 project. This project will modify the Computerized Patient Record System, Text Integration Utilities, Consults, Health Summary, Problem List, Clinical Reminders, and Order Entry/Results Reporting to meet the requirements proposed by the Dept. of Health and Human Services to adopt ICD-10 code set standards Clinic Orders.

On January 16, 2009, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) released a final rule for replacing the 30-year-old ICD-9-CM code set with International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Revision, Clinical Modification (ICD-10-CM) and International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Revision, Procedure Coding System (ICD-10-PCS) with dates of service, or date of discharge for inpatients, that occur on or after

October 1, 2015. The classification system consists of more than 68,000 codes, compared to approximately 13,000 ICD-9-CM codes. There are nearly 87,000 ICD-10-PCS codes, while ICD-9-CM has nearly 3,800 procedure codes. Both systems also expand the number of characters allotted from five and four respectively to seven alpha-numeric characters. This value does not include the decimal point, which follows the third character for the ICD-10-CM code set. There is no decimal point in the ICD-10-PCS code set. These code sets have the potential to reveal more about quality of care, so that data can be used in a more meaningful way to better understand complications, better design clinically robust algorithms, and better track the outcomes of care. ICD-10-CM also incorporates greater specificity and clinical detail to provide information for clinical decision-making and outcomes research.

This patch installs the necessary routine updates to make the GMRC package compliant with the mandate to use ICD-10 codes. The installation also contains one post-install routine that will populate the new PROVISIONAL DIAGNOSIS DATE (30.2) and PROVISIONAL DIAGNOSIS SYSTEM (30.3) fields for existing entries in the REQUEST/CONSULTATION (#123) file. The PROVISIONAL DIAGNOSIS DATE will be populated using the value pulled from FILE ENTRY DATE (.01) field. The PROVISIONAL DIAGNOSIS SYSTEM field will be populated with "ICD" to indicate these diagnoses are from the ICD-9-CM coding system. These fields are only populated for existing entries where the provisional diagnosis contains an ICD code. Consult records with a free-text diagnosis will not have these fields populated.

See page 76 for examples of new displays as a result of GMPL\*2\*73.

# **General Overview of Consults/Request Tracking**

- Consults can be accessed through Windows NT, Windows 95, or a later Microsoft Windows version with the CPRS GUI Interface or through the List Manager (LM) interface.
- Consult ordering is managed by CPRS Order Entry from within the CPRS Order tab. This includes Ouick Orders.
- Consult resulting is based on TIU Consult Notes, Medicine package results, and provider comments.
- Services must be defined within the ALL SERVICES hierarchy in order to access their consults and requests.
- Tracking services are not orderable unless the user is an update user for the service or its parent service.
- The ordering provider may edit and resubmit a consult after it has been canceled.

### **Alert Actions**

- Users can process consult service update actions from the alert.
- The recipient of an alert for a cancelled request can edit and resubmit the request from the alert.

# Reporting

- The Standard Form 513 is based on a hard-coded consults routine instead of the OE/RR Print Formats. This facilitates results printing when the consult reaches final resolution.
- A report with completion time statistics has been added.
- A report with pending consults has been added.
- Lists of consults can be viewed by order status, service, and/or date range.

## Communications

 HL7 messages and protocols are the communications medium between CPRS and Consults.

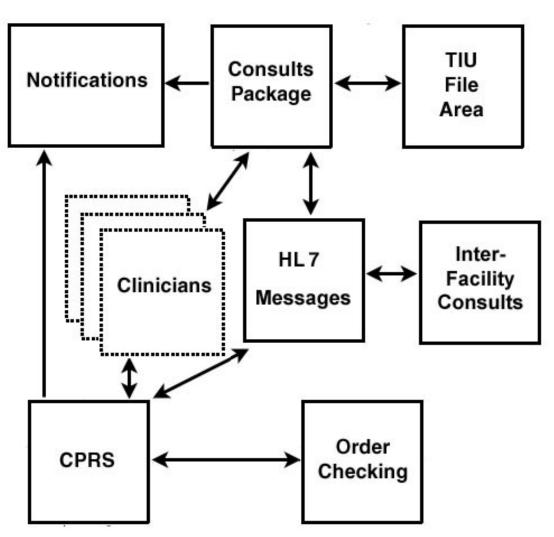
# Setup

Consult services have a related entry in the CPRS Orderable Items file (#101.43). Management of procedures and services must be done through Consult options.

# **Relations with other VistA Components**

The Consults package communicates with CPRS through HL7 messages. Order Checking receives information from the Consults package through CPRS. Notifications is the only major package that Consults communicates with directly. When the requesting clinician signs the order, Consults sends a notification to the consulting physician and when the consulting physician signs the final report, Consults sends a notification to the requesting physician.

# Consults Package Relations with other VISTA Components



Inter-Facility Consults (IFC) are requested, acted upon, and viewed the same way as regular Consults. Typically consults that are handled at a different facility have the remote facility indicated in their title, such as "Eye Exam—Salt Lake." The software uses HL7 messaging in the background to communicate inter-facility consults and actions between cooperating facilities. Results are filed at the resulting facility, but since CPRS uses Remote Data Views in the

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background to access the results, users do not need to treat Inter-Facility Consults any differently.

# **Related Manuals and Other References**

If you are an ADPAC or IRM personnel, the *Consult/Request Tracking Technical Manual* would probably aid in your understanding of Consults setup and operation.

Consults is installed with CPRS, so the *CPRS Installation Guide* is the appropriate manual to refer to on installation issues that aren't covered in the *Consult/Request Tracking Technical Manual*.

TIU provides boilerplate text and other text-oriented services. The *TIU Clinical Coordinator & User Manual* would assist you in using these features.

Consults package is highly integrated with CPRS. As such, any Consults package user should be familiar with the *CPRS Clinician's Getting Started Guide* and the *CPRS Clinical Coordinator & User Manual*.

See our web pages at:

vista.med.va.gov/consults and vista.med.va.gov/cprs

# **Package Management**

# **Service Update and Tracking Security**

Your ADPAC can use the Consult Service User Management option, in conjunction with availability to various menus and options, to control access to Consults functionality. The menus that can be provided to you are:

# **Consult Service Tracking**

The Consult Service Tracking menu provides access to basic consult tracking functions and reports, but can also provide complete update capabilities if you have been granted update privileges by your ADPAC.

Individual options in the Consults package that may be useful to you, and what access they provide, are detailed in the following table:

Option	Services
Consult Service Tracking	Tracking and/or update
	functionality depending upon your
	individual privileges.
Completion Time Statistics	Reporting.
Service Consults Pending Resolution	Reporting.

With the GMRC Service User Management option, your ADPAC can set you up to be an update user for one or more services at your hospital. In addition, the ADPAC can grant the ability to receive consult notifications according to criteria outlined in the following table:

Category	<b>Notifications Received</b>
UPDATE USERS W/O NOTIFICATIONS	Unless otherwise set up, will
	not receive notifications.
UPDATE TEAMS W/O NOTIFICATIONS	Unless otherwise set up, will
	not receive notifications.
UPDATE USER CLASS W/O NOTIFS	Unless otherwise set up, will
	not receive notifications.
SERVICE INDIVIDUAL TO NOTIFY	Receive consult notifications
	for your service.
SERVICE TEAM TO NOTIFY	Receive consult notifications
	for patients assigned to your
	team.*
NOTIFICATION BY PT LOCATION	Receive all consult
INDIVIDUAL TO NOTIFY	notifications for your service
	for patients in a specified
	ward.
NOTIFICATION BY PT LOCATION	Receive consult notifications
TEAM TO NOTIFY	for patients assigned to your
	team and in a specified ward
SPECIAL UPDATES INDIVIDUAL	An individual who has
	privileges to perform group
	status updates.

These categories are not mutually exclusive, meaning you may receive notifications based on being present on one or more of the lists detailed in the foregoing table.

\* NOTE: The service team does not receive the CONSULT/REQUEST UPDATED notification if another member of that team or an update user is the user adding the comment

Privilege	Granted
Originate a consult	Anyone with access to CPRS
Sign a consult	Anyone who can sign an order
Change a consult status	Anyone with update privileges
View or print a consult	Anyone with access to CPRS

In summary, update user capabilities vary depending on

The option(s) that you are assigned.

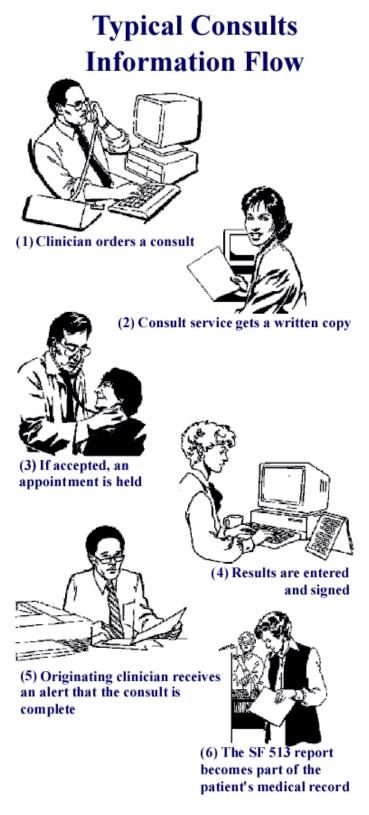
Privileges granted in the Consults Service User Management option.

# **Package Operation**

The operation of the Consults package involves multiple people, at various skill levels, in various parts of the hospital. A consult request may be entered by a clinician or a clerk under a clinician's direction. This request acts as a depository of information about itself. It collects notes and keeps records on everything that happens to it. When complete it becomes part of the patient's medical record.

In the pages that follow, we present this flow of information, and show the actions that must be taken at each step in the process. Many of these actions must be taken by persons other than those originating the consult.

Also, Consults uses CPRS during the initiation process and TIU during the completion process. In this section, we give some information about each of these packages that may help you in using Consults.



# Workflow

- **1. The clinician orders a consult.** While in a patient's CPRS medical record, a clinician enters an order for a consultation or procedure.
- **2.** The consult service gets a written copy. An alert and a hard-copy of the SF 513 are sent to the consult service.
- 3. If accepted, an appointment is held. To accept the consult, the service uses the receive action. The service can also discontinue or cancel the consult.

  Cancelled consults can be edited and resubmitted by the ordering clinician.
- **4. Results are entered and signed.** The consult service enters results and comments. Resulting is primarily done using TIU.
- **5.** The originating clinician receives an alert that the consult is complete. The results can now be examined and further action taken on behalf of the patient.
- **6. The SF 513 report becomes part of the patient's medical record.** A hard copy can be filed and the electronic copy is on line for paperless access.

# 1. The Clinician Orders a Consult

Consult orders can be entered:

From the CPRS medical record screen, Consults tab CPRS GUI interface program, Consults tab

# **Ordering Within the CPRS Package**

Primarily, Consult orders should be placed through the CPRS Add New Orders action. In this manual we provide a step-by-step display of the process for ordering consult or procedures requests through the CPRS package. We first go through a brief list of steps, then we discuss each step in detail.

# To Order a Consult:

- A. Select CPRS Clinician Menu (OE) from the Clinician Menu.
- B. Select the patient.
- C. Select Chart Contents then Consults.
- D. Select Order New Consult.
- E. Answer questions on the particulars of the request.

To go over in detail how to order a consult:

# A. Select CPRS Clinician Menu (OE) from the Clinician Menu

Exactly how you do this option depends on how IRM or your ADPAC set up your menu. This example shows one way of performing step A.

```
Select Clinician Menu Option: ?

OE CPRS Clinician Menu
RR Results Reporting Menu
AD Add New Orders
RO Act On Existing Orders
PP Personal Preferences ...

Enter ?? for more options, ??? for brief descriptions, ?OPTION for help text.

Select Clinician Menu Option: OE
```

The screen now looks like this:

```
Patient Selection
                            Apr 07, 1999 14:51:30
                                                           Page:
                                                                   1 of 1
Current patient: ** No patient selected **
    Patient Name
                                           DOB
                                                          Room-Bed
    No patients found.
         Enter the number of the patient chart to be opened
                        CV Change View ...
   Next Screen
                                                 FD Find Patient
   Previous Screen SV (Save as Default List)Q
                                                    Close
Select Patient: Change View //
```

### B. Select the Patient

Select the patient as you would in any other package. Type a patient ID such as the patient's name, social security number, or the patient's last initial followed by the last 4 digits of the social security number. If more than one patient matches the key you entered, select the patient from the list presented on the screen.

```
Select Patient: Change View // C2342

1 C2342 CPRSPATIENT,TWO 03-04-32 666902342 MILITARY RETIREE

2 C2342 CPRSPATIENT,TWELVE 02-03-23 666242342 MILITARY RETIREE
CHOOSE 1-2: 2 CPRSPATIENT,TWELVE 02-03-23 666242342 MILITARY RETIREE
Searching for the patient's chart ...
```

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The screen now looks something like this:

```
Feb 13, 1999 12:53:14
Cover Sheet
                                                                             2
rep 13, 1999 12:53:14 Page: 1 of CPRSPATIENT, TWELVE 666-24-2342 1A/B-1 FEB 3,1923 (74)
                                                           Page:
                                                                    1 of
                                                                           <CA>
PrimCare: CPRSProvider, Three
                                                PCTeam: GOLD
                                                  Entered
     Allergies/Adverse Reactions
                                                  03/28/97
1
     BEESWAX (hives, itching, watering eyes,
     anxiety)
    Patient Postings
    CRISIS NOTE
                                                  02/25/97 12:18
     Recent Vitals
     No data available
     Immunizations
     No immunizations found.
     Eligibility
     Not Service Connected
          Enter the numbers of the items you wish to act on.
NW Enter New Allergy/ADR CV (Change View ...) SP Select New Patient
AD Add New Orders
                       CC Chart Contents ...
                                                  Q Close Patient Chart
Select: Next Screen//
```

# C. Select Chart Contents then Consults

To get to the menu containing Order New Consults, you must go through the Chart Contents menu, then select the Consults screen. This can be done in one step by typing:

CC:CON

All Consults Feb 13, 1998 12:56:32 Page: 1 of 1 CPRSPATIENT, TWELVE 666-24-2342 1A/B-1 FEB 3,1923 (74) <CA> PrimCare: CPRSProvider, Three PCTeam: GOLD

Consult/Procedure Requested Status
CARDIOLOGY Consult | 02/25/97 11:02 complete

```
Enter the numbers of the items you wish to act on. >>>

NW Enter New Allergy/ADR CV (Change View ...) SP Select New Patient
AD Add New Orders CC Chart Contents ... Q Close Patient Chart

Select: Chart Contents//
```

# D. Select Order New Consult

Type NW and press the <Enter> key.

# Answer Questions on the Particulars of the Request

```
Select: Chart Contents// NW
                             Order New Consult
    Consult
                              Procedure
Order new: C Consult
Delay release of these orders? NO// <Enter>
Consult to Service/Specialty: POD FOOT CLINIC FOOT CLINIC
Reason for Request:
 1>PERSISTENT SMALL FISSURES AND SCALING ON BOTH FEET.
EDIT Option:
Category: INPATIENT// <Enter>
Urgency: ROUTINE// ??
Select from:
 1 STAT
 2 ROUTINE
 3 WITHIN 48 HOURS
 4 WITHIN 72 HOURS
 5 EMERGENCY
Select the urgency indicating how quickly results from this consult are needed.
Urgency: ROUTINE// <Enter>
Clinically indicated date:TODAY// <Enter>▼
Place of Consultation: Bedside// ?
Select from:
                                                                  If the request is for a future
 1 Bedside
                                                                  service, such as an EKG in
 2 Consultant's Choice
                                                                  6 months, then enter the
Select the preferred place to see the patient for this consult.
                                                                  future date here.
Place of Consultation: Bedside// <Enter>
Attention: CPRSPROVIDER, THREE CT
                                                 PHYSICIAN
Provisional Diagnosis: TINEA PEDIS
Consult to Service/Specialty: Podiatry
         Reason for Request: PERSISTENT SMALL FISSURES AND SCALING ON ...
                   Category: INPATIENT
                    Urgency: ROUTINE
      Place of Consultation: Bedside
                  Attention: CPRSPROVIDER, THREE
      Provisional Diagnosis: TINEA PEDIS
(P)lace, (E)dit, or (C)ancel this order? PLACE// <Enter>
        ... order placed.
Add another Consult order? NO//
```

(Continued on the next page.)

The screen now looks something like this:

```
All Consults Feb 13, 1998 12:58:32 Page: 1 of 1
CPRSPATIENT,TWELVE 666-24-2342 1A/B-1 FEB 3,1923 (74) <CA>
PrimCare: CPRSProvider, Three PCTeam: GOLD

Consult/Procedure Requested Status
1 CARDIOLOGY Consult | 02/25/97 11:02 complete

Enter the numbers of the items you wish to act on. >>>

NW Enter New Allergy/ADR CV (Change View ...) SP Select New Patient
AD Add New Orders CC Chart Contents ... Q Close Patient Chart

Select: Chart Contents//
```

Notice that the consult just entered is not yet displayed. It is not displayed until after you have signed the order.

# Sign the Consult

```
+ Next Screen $ Sign All Orders
- Previous Screen Q Close
Select: Sign All Orders// $ Sign All Orders
Enter your Current Signature Code: SIGNATURE VERIFIED

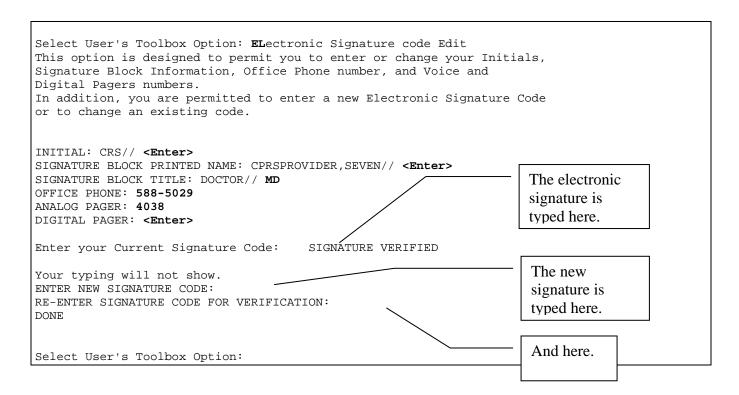
Processing orders ...
```

When applied to an approved medical record, an electronic signature has the same legal weight as a signature made with a pen on paper. For this reason electronic signatures are part of the overall security system maintained by IRMS.

When the computer prints a document that has been signed and/or cosigned, an electronic signature block is included. What appears in this block is user configurable through the User's Toolbox option.

In this example we change a title and electronic signature:

```
Select Consult Service Tracking Option: ??
   CS
         Consult Service Tracking [GMRC SERVICE TRACKING]
  PC
         Service Consults Pending Resolution [GMRC RPT PENDING CONSULTS]
         Completion Time Statistics [GMRC COMPLETION STATISTICS]
Or a Common Option:
         Patient Warning (CWAD) Display [GMRPNCW]
  MA
         MailMan Menu ... [XMUSER]
  TBOX User's Toolbox ... [XUSERTOOLS]
         View Alerts [XQALERT]
  VΑ
         Continue [XUCONTINUE]
             **> Reverse lock ZZLUKE
         Halt [XUHALT]
         Restart Session [XURELOG]
         Time [XUTIME]
         Where am I? [XUSERWHERE]
You have PENDING ALERTS
         Enter "VA VIEW ALERTS
                                     to review alerts
Select Consult Service Tracking Option: TBOX User's Toolbox
Select User's Toolbox Option: ?
         Display User Characteristics
         Edit User Characteristics
         Electronic Signature code Edit
         Menu Templates ...
         Spooler Menu ...
         Switch UCI
         TaskMan User
         User Help
Enter ?? for more options, ??? for brief descriptions, ?OPTION for help text.
```

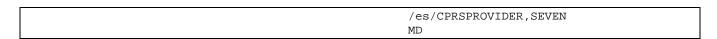


# \*NOTE: CONCERNING SPACES IN LAST NAMES OF PROVIDERS SIGNING CONSULTS

Providers with last names in VistA containing spaces who sign Consults – especially Inter-Facility Consults – should have spaces removed from their VistA last name. In certain situations, spaces in the provider's VistA last name may cause IFC Consults to fail to complete. Removing spaces from the VistA last will prevent this problem. Space removal can be accomplished two ways: by combining the parts of the last name or including a hyphen. For example, the name "DE LUCA" should be changed to "DELUCA". Another example: the unhyphenated last name "JONES SMITH" should be changed to "JONES-SMITH". Please contact your facility system access coordinator with your request to edit your VistA last name. Space removal is also recommended as part of VA name standardization; more details are described by Kernel patches XU\*8\*134 and XU\*8\*343.

\* **NOTE:** If the SIGNATURE BLOCK PRINTED NAME and SIGNATURE BLOCK TITLE fields are disabled at your site, contact your supervisor to request entry of your name and title.

The signature block, as changed in the example above, looks like this:



The /es/ annotation indicates that the medical document was electronically signed If for some reason you do not sign an order at the time you write it, then the system enters the order into your list of alerts. Signing the order is then simply a matter of responding to the alert as in the following example:

```
You have PENDING ALERTS
                   VIEW ALERTS
        Enter "VA
                                 to review alerts
Select OE/RR Manager Menu Option: VA View Alerts
1. CPRSPATIE (C0999): Order requires electronic signature.
2. TIUPATIEN (T3456): New Consult/Request (Stat)
        Select from 1 to 2
        or enter ?, A I, F, P, M, R, or ^ to exit: 1
Searching for the patient's chart ...
Unsigned Orders
                       Feb 13, 1999 13:01:58
                                               Page: 1 of 1
PrimCare: CPRSProvider, Three
                                          PCTeam: GOLD
                                          Requestor Start Stop Sts
    Item Ordered
    CT ABDOMEN W&W/O CONT *UNSIGNED*
                                        | CPRSPROVIDER, THREE unr
    Discontinue CBC BLOOD WC LB# 269
                                          CPRSPROVIDER, TEN
2
                                                            unr
    *UNSIGNED*
    Change SODIUM SERUM SERUM WC to GLUCOSE
3
                                                            pend
    SERUM SERUM SP LB# 242 *UNSIGNED*
    Change GLUCOSE SERUM SERUM SP to
                                                             pend
    POTASSIUM SERUM SERUM SP LB# 242
    *UNSIGNED*
     Enter the numbers of the items you wish to act on.
                                                            >>>
   Next Screen
                          Previous Screen
                                                 Quit
Select:Quit// 1
```

PrimCare: CPRSProvider Three Feb 13, 1998 13:02:58 Page: 1 of 1 Feb 3,1923 (74) <CA> PrimCare: CPRSProvider, Three Item Ordered Requestor Start Stop Sts CT ABDOMEN W&W/O CONT \*UNSIGNED\* CPRSPROVIDER, THREE unr CPRSPROVIDER, TEN Discontinue CBC BLOOD WC LB# 269 \*UNSIGNED\* Change SODIUM SERUM SERUM WC to GLUCOSE pend SERUM SERUM SP LB# 242 \*UNSIGNED\* Change GLUCOSE SERUM SERUM SP to pend POTASSIUM SERUM SERUM SP LB# 242 \*UNSIGNED\* Enter the numbers of the items you wish to act on. >>> Change Sian Discontinue Detailed Display Select action: S Sign -- CT ABDOMEN W&W/O CONT --SIGNATURE VERIFIED Enter your Current Signature Code: CT ABDOMEN W&W/O CONT signed. The electronic Print CHART COPY for the orders: YES// <Enter> YES signature is DEVICE: LTA35// <Enter> C-ITOH 300 LINE PRINTER DO YOU WANT YOUR OUTPUT QUEUED? NO// <Enter> (NO) typed here. Unsigned Orders Feb 13, 1998 13:03:58 Page: 1 of 1 CPRSPATIENT, TWELVE 666-24-2342 1A/B-1 FEB 3,1923 (74) <CA> PrimCare: CPRSProvider, Three PCTeam: GOLD Item Ordered Requestor Start Stop Sts CT ABDOMEN W&W/O CONT \*UNSIGNED\* 1 CPRSPROVIDER, ONE unr Discontinue CBC BLOOD WC LB# 269 CPRSPROVIDER, TWO 2 unr \*UNSIGNED\* 3 Change SODIUM SERUM SERUM WC to GLUCOSE pend SERUM SERUM SP LB# 242 \*UNSIGNED\* Change GLUCOSE SERUM SERUM SP to pend POTASSIUM SERUM SERUM SP LB# 242 \*UNSIGNED\* Enter the numbers of the items you wish to act on. Next Screen Previous Screen Quit Select:Quit// <Enter> Quit

# 2. The Consult Service Gets a Written Copy

The consult service receives an alert and a printed SF 513. The Consultation Form is automatically generated in the receiving clinic when the requesting physician signs the order. (In the case of Inter-Facility Consults, the request in routed to the resulting facility and printed there.) A Secondary Printer can be configured in VistA (see the *Consult/Request Tracking Technical Manual* for instructions). When configured, this automatically prints the SF 513 to both services whenever printing is requested.

**Caution:** The Consultation Form (SF 513) generated by this package for use by the receiving services is highly confidential and should be treated with the same security precautions as other patient medical record documents.

The computerized consultation form created and printed by this package may only be placed in a patient's medical record, as a valid medical form, *if* it has been authorized for medical record use by the Medical Records Committee at your facility.

MEDICAL RECORD		CONSULTATION	SHEET	
CPRSPATIENT, NINETY XXX-XX-9200 02/03/1904 (Age 1	13) Cell: (202)	CV ELIGIBLE		
Consult Request: Consult   Cons		Consult	No.: 10943	
To: CARDIOLOGY From: 2B MED			sted: 08/24/2009 11:00 am	
Requesting Facility: BOISE  REASON FOR REQUEST: (Complaints an Patient has a Hx of hypertrophic conseems to be somewhat stable. Lung Chest X-Ray and we need an assessmincreasing Digitalis dosages.	d findings) ardiomyopat fields app	hy Dx'ed 3 yea ear slightly (	ars ago and edematious on	
PROVISIONAL DIAG: Cardiomyopathy,	Hypertrophi	c (425.1)		
REQUESTED BY: CPRSPROVIDER, TEN PHYSICIAN (Pager: ) date:			URGENCY:  Routine     Clinically Indicated	
(Phone: )  W O R K I N  No Consultation	Inpatient	Y	Jan 31, 2011 	
AUTHOR & TITLE:		======================================	E:	
ID #: ORGANIZATION:	BOISE	  REG #:	LOC: 2B MED	

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# 3. If Accepted, an Appointment is Held

It is fairly common for a consult to be sent to the wrong clinic. For this reason it is very easy to forward a consult to another clinic. Simply use the FR (Forward Request) action to specify the new receiving clinic.

In this example, a Neurology consult is forwarded to Psychiatry at the discretion of the consulting physician:

```
Select OPTION NAME: ORMGR OE/RR Manager Menu menu

You have PENDING ALERTS
Enter "VA VIEW ALERTS to review alerts

Select OE/RR Manager Menu Option: VA View Alerts

1.I CPRSPATIE (C3779): Critical High Lab: LITHIUM 5 02/06 10:51
2. ARTPATIEN (A9600): New Consult/Request (Today)
Select from 1 to 12
or enter ?, A I, F, P, M, R, or ^ to exit: 2
```

```
Enter ?? for more actions
RC Receive
                         CM Add Comment
                                                  DD Detailed Display
FR Forward
                       CT Complete/Update
                                                 RT Results Display
CX Cancel (Deny)

MA Make Addendum

DC Discontinue
                                                 PF Print Form 513
                        SC Schedule
DC Discontinue
Select Action: Quit// FR Forward Consult
Forward Request To Another Service For Action.
Select the service to send the consult to.
Forward Consult to which Service/Specialty: PSYCHIATRY
Who is responsible for Forwarding the Consult: CPRSPROVIDER, SEVEN CS HYN
Actual Date/Time of Activity: NOW// (Feb 13, 1999@14:24)
Urgency: Today// <Enter> Today
Enter COMMENT:
 1> List of symptoms indicates Psychiatry would give better work up.
  2> <Enter>
EDIT Option: <Enter>
```

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### Package Reference

Consult/Request Alerts Feb 13, 1998 13:07 Page: 1 of 1 CPRSPATIENT, TWELVE 666-24-3779 1A/B-1 FEB 3,1923 (74) <CA>

Number Date Stat Service Procedure

185 02/12/97 p PSYCHIATRY Consult

Enter ?? for more actions

RC Receive CM Add Comment DD Detailed Display FR Forward CT Complete/Update RT Results Display CX Cancel (Deny) MA Make Addendum PF Print Form 513

DC Discontinue SC Schedule

Select Action: Quit//

# **Receive the Consult**

Performing the Receive action on a consult changes its status from Pending to Active. This puts your clinic on record as accepting responsibility for completing the consult. There are two ways to receive a consult:

From a consult tracking screen.

From a notification alert of a new consult. See page 130 for an example of this method. In the following example, we receive a consult from a consult tracking screen:

```
CONSULT TRACKING
                                  Oct 05, 2000 09:18:22
                                                                                1 of
                                                                      Page:
                                                  1A/B-1
CPRSPATIENT, TWELVE 666-24-3779
                                                              FEB 3,1923 (74)
                                                                                     <CA>
                                                                      Wt.(lb): No Entry
    Requested St No. Consult/Procedure Request
   05/06/97 p
                       226 PSYCHIATRY Cons
          Enter ?? for more actions
SP Select Patient FR Forward CT Complete/Update RT Results Display
CV Change View ... CX Cancel (Deny) MA Make Addendum PF Print Form 513 RC Receive DC Discontinue SF Sig Findings RM Remove Med Rslt SC Schedule CM Add Comment DD Detailed Display ER Edit/Resubmit
Select: Quit// RC Receive Request
```

```
Who received it?: CPRSPROVIDER, SEVEN CS
Date/Time Actually Received: NOW// <Enter> (NOV 01, 1997@09:05)
Enter COMMENT...
1>Pt will be seen ASAP
2> <Enter>
EDIT Option: <Enter>
```

```
Oct 05, 2000 09:18:22
CONSULT TRACKING
                                                                       Page:
                                                                                  1 of
                                                    1A/B-1
CPRSPATIENT, TWELVE 666-24-3779
                                                                  FEB 3,1923 (74) <CA>
                                                                         Wt.(lb): No Entry
   Requested St No. Consult/Procedur
05/06/97 a 226 PSYCHIATRY Cons
                                 Consult/Procedure Request
            Enter ?? for more actions
SP Select Patient FR Forward CV Change View ... CX Cancel (Deny)
                                               CT Complete/Update RT Results Display
                                              MA Make Addendum PF Print Form 513
SF Sig Findings RM Remove Med Rslt
               DC Discontinue
CM Add Comment
RC Receive
SC Schedule
                                              DD Detailed Display ER Edit/Resubmit
Select: Quit//
```

# 4. Results are Entered and Signed

The consult service enters results and comments. When you request the Complete (CT) action from the Consults service tracking or CPRS Consults screen, V*IST*A shifts you into TIU. In the following example, we complete a consult and enter findings through Consult's link to TIU:

```
Select Consult Service Tracking Option: CS Consult Service Tracking
Select Patient: CPRSPATIENT, TWELVE 05-05-55 666553779 YES SC
VETERAN

Select Service/Specialty: ALL SERVICES// PULMONARY
List From Starting Date: ALL DATES // <Enter> ALL DATES
```

# Enter ?? for more actions SP Select Patient FR Forward CT Complete/Update RT Results Display CV Change View ... CX Cancel (Deny) MA Make Addendum PF Print Form 513 RC Receive DC Discontinue SF Sig Findings RM Remove Med Rslt SC Schedule CM Add Comment DD Detailed Display ER Edit/Resubmit Select: Quit// CT Complete

```
CHOOSE No. 1-2: 1

Creating new progress note...

Patient Location: 2B

Date/time of Admission: 10/05/00 09:22

Date/time of Note: NOW

Author of Note: CPRSPROVIDER, SEVEN

...OK? YES// <Enter>

Calling text editor, please wait...
```

```
==[ WRAP ]==[ INSERT ]===< Patient: CPRSPATIENT,TWELVE >===[ <PF1>H=Help ]===
Mr. CPRSPatient's regimen is lacking in inhaled corticosteroids. Recognizing
that asthma is an inflammatory process, inhaled steroids are important
in controlling the inflammatory response. My practice for severely
out-of-control asthmatics is to use high-dose inhaled steroids,
typically vanceril, 16 puffs gid, with a spacing device such as the
Aerochamber. I would institute such a regimen while he is here.
Mr. CPRSPatient has an in-house pet dog and an outside pet cat. I have
told him that the cat should go, even if it is outdoors. Cat saliva
contains a glycoprotein that leaves residue on their coats and flakes
into the air; it is problematic for many asthmatics.
The purulent phlegm asthmatics have during exacerbations is usually
due to the eosinophils, not from infection. Antibiotics are usually
not necessary.
If you like, you may refer Mr. CPRSPatient to my clinic after discharge.
```

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Saving MEDICINE CONSULT with changes...

Your electronic signature is typed here.

Enter your Current Signature Code: SIGNATURE VERIFIED..

Print this note? No// Y YES

Do you want WORK copies or CHART copies? CHART// <Enter>
DEVICE: HOME// WORK OTC

DO YOU WANT YOUR OUTPUT QUEUED? NO// Y (YES)

Requested Start Time: NOW// <Enter> (Oct 05, 2000 09:23:05)

Request Queued!

```
Oct 05, 2000 09:23:45
                                                      Page:
CONSULT TRACKING
                                                                   1 of
CPRSPATIENT, TWELVE 666-24-3779
                                          1A/B-1
                                                     FEB 3,1923 (74)
                                                                       <CA>
                                                                 Wt.(lb): 180
   Requested St No. Consult/Procedure Request
   09/04/97 c 319 PULMONARY Cons
         Enter ?? for more actions
SP Select Patient FR Forward
                                      CT Complete/Update RT Results Display
CV Change View ... CX Cancel (Deny) MA Make Addendum PF Print Form 513
RC Receive DC Discontinue SF Sig Findings SC Schedule CM Add Comment DD Detailed Displa
                                                         RM Remove Med Rslt
                                      DD Detailed Display ER Edit/Resubmit
Select: Quit//
```



The Consult Closure Tool in VistA can be used to generate a team list of consults with a pending status that potentially need to be closed. The tool can be configured to search for consults by Clinic, Procedure, Service, and Order Item. The resulting list can be reviewed in CPRS, and consults can be closed using the tool within VistA. The *Consult/Request Tracking Technical Manual* provides instructions on using the tool.

# 5. The Originating Clinician Receives an Alert that the Consult is Complete

After the consult is complete, Notifications sends an alert (via FileMan Alerts) of the completion. This is done while you are in the menu terminal mode, as such:

```
CPRSPATIE (C8829): Completed Consult CAR
TIUPATIEN (T2342): Cancelled consult PLM
ARTPATIEN (A9898): Completed Consult GASTROENTEROLOGY
CPRSPATIE (C8831): Completed Consult PLM with Sig Findings
Enter "VA VIEW ALERTS to review alerts

Select Consult Service Tracking Option:
```

To receive an on-screen report of the results, respond as in the following example:

```
Select Consult Service Tracking Option: VA View Alerts

1. CPRSPATIE (C8829): Completed Consult CAR
2. TIUPATIEN (T2342): Cancelled consult PLM
3. ARTPATIEN (A9898): Completed Consult GASTROENTEROLOGY
4. CPRSPATIE (C8831): Completed Consult PLM with Sig Findings
Select from 1 to 4
or enter ?, A I, F, P, M, R, or ^ to exit
or RETURN to continue: 3

Processing alert: TIUPATIEN (T8829): Completed Consult PLM
```

```
Consult/Request Alerts Feb 26, 1999 14:56:57 Page: 1 of 1
TIUPATIENT, TWELVE 666-24-2342 1A/B-1 FEB 3,1923 (74) <CA>
Wt.(lb): No Entry
Requested St No. Consult/Procedure Request
1 01/08/99 c 1337 PULMONARY Cons
```

```
Enter ?? for more actions

SP Select Patient FR Forward CT Complete/Update RT Results Display
CV Change View ... CX Cancel (Deny) MA Make Addendum PF Print Form 513
RC Receive DC Discontinue SF Sig Findings RM Remove Med Rslt
SC Schedule CM Add Comment DD Detailed Display ER Edit/Resubmit
Compiling Result Display...
```

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#### Here we select the Results Display (RT) action:

Feb 26, 1999 14:59:10 Page: 1 or 1A/B-1 FEB 3,1923 (74) <CA>W+ (1b): No Entr Results Display TIUPATIENT, TWELVE 666-24-2342 Consult No.: 1337 Wt.(lb): No Entry

-----MEDICINE CS CONSULT-----

Pt should stay away from Oyster Crackers.

Signature: /es/CPRSPROVIDER, SEVEN Date: FEB 12, 1999@11:35:14

Source Information

Document Status: COMPLETED

Author: CPRSPROVIDER,S

Entry Date: FEB 12, 1999@11:32

Expected Signer: CPRSPROVIDER, SEVEN

Expected Cosigner: None Entered By: CRS TIU Document #: 5365

Urgency: None

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#### Enter ?? for more actions

Select Action: Quit//

## 6. The SF 513 Report Becomes Part of the Patient's Medical Record

After the consult is complete, Consults sends an alert to the requesting physician. The requesting physician can use the Print Report action to obtain a copy of the final Consults report. In the following example, the consult we want to print has already been selected:

```
CONSULT TRACKING
                                 Feb 13, 1998 13:20:44
                                                                      Page:
                                                                               1 of
CPRSPATIENT, TWELVE 666-24-3779
                                                 1A/B-1
                                                              FEB 3,1923 (74) <CA>
                                                                          Wt.(lb): 178
    Requested
                        No.
                               Consult/Procedure Request
    11/01/97
                               PULMONARY Consult
                         506 <MEDICINE EAST> Consult
    10/28/97
              a
   07/21/97 c
                         285 PULMONARY Pulmonary Function Test
           Enter ?? for more actions
SP Select Patient FR Forward CV Change View ... CX Cancel (Deny)
                                            CT Complete/Update RT Results Display
                                            MA Make Addendum PF Print Form 513
SF Sig Findings RM Remove Med Rslt
RC Receive DC Discontinue SC Schedule CM Add Comment
                                            DD Detailed Display ER Edit/Resubmit
Select: Quit// PT Print Form
```

Chart Copy (Y/N) Y// <Enter>
DEVICE: HOME// ;;9999 HOME

-----

```
MEDICAL RECORD | CONSULTATION SHEET
______
CPRSPATIENT, FOUR
                                    SERVICE CONNECTED 50% to 100%
XXX-XX-4442 03/03/1960 Age: 57
                                    SC VETERAN
123 SESAME ST.
APT. 4
SALT LAKE CITY UTAH 84101 Phone: 801-555-1289 Cell: 801-555-1010
Consult Request: Consult
                                        |Consult No.: 675
______
To: PULMONARY
   From: NOT 2B
                                        Requested: 11/01/1997 10:13 am
______
Requesting Facility: ELY
                       ATTENTION: CPRSPROVIDER, TWO
______
Current Primary Care Provider: CPRSPROVIDER, SEVEN
   Current Primary Care Team: GOLD TEAM
REASON FOR REQUEST: (Complaints and findings)
Pt experiences shortness of breath when out of bed.
PROVISIONAL DIAG: CHEESE HANDLER'S LUNG
REQUESTED BY:
                             PLACE:
CPRSPROVIDER, SEVEN
                             Bedside
                                                 Routine
Chief of Surgery
(Pager: 9999)
                            SERVICE RENDERED AS:
(Phone: 1234)
                            Inpatient
                  WORKING COPY
                  CONSULTATION NOTE #2330
     TITLE: PULMONARY CS CONSULT
DATE OF NOTE: NOV 01, 1997@10:15:35 ENTRY DATE: NOV 01, 1997@10:15:35
    AUTHOR: CPRSPROVIDER, SEVEN EXP COSIGNER:
    URGENCY:
                                 STATUS: COMPLETED
At the time I went to examine the pt, he was acutely broncho-
spastic and in moderately severe respiratory distress. I had him
deliver a puff of albuterol with an Aerochamber; his technique was
poor. I then instructed him and delivered an additional four puffs,
which he did with good technique. He was improved and with a clear
lung exam within a few seconds (though wheezes were still present
on forced expiration).
The pt regimen is lacking in inhaled corticosteroids. Recognizing
that asthma is an inflammatory process, inhaled steroids are important
in controlling the inflammtory response. My practice for severely
out-of-control asthmatics is to use high-dose inhaled steroids,
typically vanceril, 16 puffs qid, with a spacing device such as the
Aerochamber. I would institute such a regimen while he is here.
/es/ CPRSPROVIDER, SEVEN
Signed: 11/01/1997 10:17
PROVISIONAL DIAG: Arrhythmia (427.9)
_____
                             _____
                             PLACE:
REOUESTED BY:
                                                URGENCY:
CASEY, BEN
                             Bedside
                                                Routine
CHIEF OF SURGERY
(Pager: )
                             |SERVICE RENDERED AS: |CLINICALLY INDICATED DATE:
(Phone: )
                            Inpatient
                                                Jan 31, 2011
```

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See page 127 for details on the Print Report (PR) action.

#### **Quick Orders**

Quick Orders are a feature of CPRS that allow certain prompts to be automatically filled in by the computer. Your ADPAC can set them up (a subject that is discussed in the *CPRS Setup Guide*.)

CPRS is shipped with a number of quick orders. Number 91, EKG, Portable on the screen pictured below is one of them. These quick orders do not have any of the fields filled in. They are only provided as place-holders and limited examples of what is possible.

```
Add New Orders
                                                         Feb 13, 1998 13:21:08
                                                                                                                    Page: 1 of
                                                                                                                                            1
 CPRSPATIENT, TWELVE 666-24-3779
                                                                                 1A/B-1 FEB 3,1923 (74) <CA>
0 ORDER SETS... 30 PATIENT CARE... 70 LABORATORY...
1 Patient Movement 31 Condom Catheter 71 Chem 7
2 Diagnosis 32 Guaiac Stools 72 T&S
3 Condition 33 Incentive Spirometer 73 Glucose
4 Allergies 34 Dressing Change 74 CBC w/Diff
 4 Allergies
                                              34 Dressing Change 74 CBC w/Diff
75 PT

10 PARAMETERS... 40 DIETETICS... 76 PTT

11 TPR B/P 41 Regular Diet 77 CPK

12 Weight 42 Tubefeeding 78 CPK

13 I & O 43 NPO at Midnight 79 LDH

14 Call HO on 80 Urinalysis

50 IV FLUIDS... 81 Culture & S
43 NPO at Midnight 79 LDH

14 Call HO on 80 Urinalysis

50 IV FLUIDS... 81 Culture & Suscep

20 ACTIVITY... 51 OUTPATIENT MEDS...

21 Ad Lib 55 INPATIENT MEDS... 90 OTHER ORDERS...

23 Bed Rest / BRP 91 EKG: Portable

24 Ambulate TID 60 IMAGING ...

25 Up in Chair TID 61 Chest 2 views PA&LAT 99 Text Only Order
                                                                                               81 Culture & Suscept
             Enter the number of each item you wish to order.
                                                                                                                                                  >>>
      Next Screen
                                                 TD Set Delay ...
                                                                                                          Done
 Select Item(s): Done//
```

Basically, quick orders supply stock answers to some of the prompts required to make an order. For example, if we filled in the values for the placeholder EKG, Portable, we might answer the following questions in the quick order template:

```
Consult to Service/Specialty: Cardiology
Category: Inpatient
Place of Consult: Bedside
```

These three prompts are then excluded when you select EKG from the orders screen—relieving you of the necessity of filling in answering several prompts.

The other four prompts, Reason for the Request, Urgency, Attention, and Provisional Diagnosis, are all left blank in the quick order template. The answer to these questions change every time we place an order for a portable EKG. These four questions are the only ones asked when you place an order for "EKG, Portable."

# Using the Consults Package with TIU Direct TIU Input

On page 27 are the directions for entering results from the Consult/ Result Tracking screen. You can also enter results directly from TIU. This may be preferable if you are doing large volumes of consults or it fits your office work flow.

The basic steps to entering findings through TIU given here are. The interested user should look at the TIU Clinical Coordinator & User Manual for further information.

### 1. From TIU, choose Integrated Document Management.

As with almost everything in V*IST*A, exactly how you do this depends on how your system is set up. If you cannot find this option on your menu, consult your ADPAC. Example:

```
Select Progress Notes/Discharge Summary [TIU] Option: ?

1    Progress Notes User Menu ...
2     Discharge Summary User Menu ...
3     Integrated Document Management ...
4     Personal Preferences ...

Enter ?? for more options, ??? for brief descriptions, ?OPTION for help text.

Select Progress Notes/Discharge Summary [TIU] Option: 3    Integrated Document

Management

--- Clinician's Menu ---

Select Integrated Document Management Option:
```

## 2. Select Enter/edit Document.

## Example:

## 3. Enter the patient's name.

Follow the usual VISTA conventions for selecting a patient.

#### Example:

Select PATIENT NAME:	CPRSPATIENT, FIV	03-05-33	666332432	YES	SC VETERAN
	A: Known allergies				
Select TITLE:					

#### 4. Select a document title.

Using the standard help functions (? or ??), you can see a list of titles that are available to you. Consult your supervisor or ADPAC about which one is appropriate to your situation.

#### Example:

```
Select TITLE: ?
Answer with TIU DOCUMENT DEFINITION NAME, or ABBREVIATION, or
    PRINT NAME
Do you want the entire TIU DOCUMENT DEFINITION List? Y (Yes)
Choose from:
                     TITLE
  ADVANCE DIRECTIVE
  ADVERSE REACTION/ALLERGY TITLE
  ASI-ADDICTION SEVERITY INDEX TITLE
  BP TEST NOTE TITLE
  CLINICAL WARNING TITLE
  CRISIS NOTE TITLE
  DISCHARGE SUMMARY TITLE
  MEDICINE CONSULT
                     TITLE
Select TITLE: MEDICINE CONSULT
                                   TITLE
Creating new progress note...
        Patient Location: 2B
   Date/time of Admission: 05/10/96 10:17
      Date/time of Note: NOW
         Author of Note: CPRSPROVIDER, SEVEN
  ...OK? YES//
You must link your Result to a Consult Request...
The following CONSULT REQUEST is available:
  1. JUL 16, 1997@06:08 278 PULMONARY
CHOOSE 1-1:
```

## 5. Choose the consult to enter findings.

TIU lists one or more active consults for the patient. Select the one you have findings for. Example:

```
The following CONSULT REQUEST is available:

1. JUL 16, 1997@06:08 278 PULMONARY
CHOOSE 1-1: 1 278

Calling text editor, please wait...
1>
```

## 6. Enter and edit findings.

TIU enters the editor specified in your VISTA personal preferences. There are a number of alternate ways to enter findings in TIU. Consult the TIU Clinical Coordinator & User Manual for details.

#### Example:

```
Calling text editor, please wait...

1> No significant findings. Suggest respiratory therapy.

2>
EDIT Option:

Saving MEDICINE CONSULT with changes...

Enter your Current Signature Code:
```

## 7. Sign the findings.

At the prompt, enter your signature code. If you do not sign the document at this time, VISTA generates an alert to remind you to sign it at a later time.

There is a detailed discussion of electronic signatures under step 2, Sign the Consult.

## 8. Repeat for other patients.

After TIU accepts your signature, it prompts you for another patient name.

```
Enter your Current Signature Code: SIGNATURE VERIFIED..

You may enter another CLINICAL DOCUMENT. Press RETURN to exit.

Select PATIENT NAME:
```



Note:

If your site supports the dictation and transcription of Consult results, you may also use the batch upload facility of TIU to support single-point transfer of Consult results in mixed batches (with Discharge Summaries, Progress Notes, etc.) for either in-house or contract transcription services.

## **Correcting Misdirected Results**

Occasionally a consult result is linked to the wrong consult. If this is detected prior to signature, it is possible for the author of a consult result to re-direct the record to a different consult request by any of several methods, as illustrated in the examples below:

- Through the Link to Request action, when processing the alert for the unsigned consult result:
- Through the Individual Patient Document option (which is identical to the Browse action, accessible by a number of familiar paths from TIU Clinician's options, or through the CPRS LM Chart).
- You may choose the Link action from the All My Unsigned Documents Option.
- From the CPRS Chart.

Following signature, such corrections can only be made by those persons who are granted permission to do so under the Authorization/ Subscription Utility (ASU). Information on how to make this kind of correction is contained in the Consult/Request Tracking Technical Manual.

#### Examples:

You may redirect a consult result through the Link to Request action, when processing the alert for the unsigned consult result:

```
1 Progress Notes User Menu ...
2 Discharge Summary User Menu ...
3 Integrated Document Management ...
4 Personal Preferences ...
Select Progress Notes/Discharge Summary [TIU] Option: VA View Alerts

1. CPRSPATIE (C0167P): PULMONARY CONSULT available for signature.
2. ARTPATIEN (A1414): New order(s) placed.
3. ARTPATIEN (A1414): New consult PLM (Routine)
4. CPRSPATIE (C2432): New consult CAR (Routine)
Select from 1 to 4
or enter ?, A I, F, P, M, R, or ^ to exit: 1

Opening PULMONARY CONSULT record for review...
```

Browse Document Jan 26, 1998 16:49:32 Page: 1 of 1

PULMONARY CONSULT

CPRSPATIENT,T 666-01-0167P PULMONARY CLINIC Visit Date: 01/26/98@16:37

DATE OF NOTE: JAN 26, 1998@16:37:34 ENTRY DATE: JAN 26, 1998@16:37:34

AUTHOR: TIUPROVIDER, THREE EXP COSIGNER:

URGENCY: STATUS: UNSIGNED

DEMOGRAPHICS: CPRSPATIENT, TWO

666-01-0167P

31

JAN 1,1967

His disposition is good.

+ Next Screen - Prev Screen ?? More actions >>>

Find Make Addendum Identify Signers
Print Sign/Cosign Delete
Edit Copy Link ...
Quit

Select Action: Quit// L Link ...

Problem(s) Patient/Visit Link with Request

Specify Linkage: L Link with Request

You must link your Result to a Consult Request...
The following CONSULT REQUEST(S) are available:
1> JAN 23, 1998@11:14 759 PULMONARY
2> JAN 23, 1998@11:14 760 PULMONARY

CHOOSE 1-2: 2 760

Opening PULMONARY CONSULT record for review...

Browse Document Jan 26, 1998 16:49:32 Page: 1 of 1

PULMONARY CONSULT

CPRSPATIENT,T 666-01-0167P PULMONARY CLINIC Visit Date: 01/26/98@16:37 DATE OF NOTE: JAN 26, 1998@16:37:34 ENTRY DATE: JAN 26, 1998@16:37:34

AUTHOR: TIUPROVIDER, THREE EXP COSIGNER:

URGENCY: STATUS: UNSIGNED

DEMOGRAPHICS: CPRSPATIENT, TWO

666-01-0167P

31

JAN 1,1967

His disposition is good.

+ Next Screen - Prev Screen ?? More actions >>:

Find Make Addendum Identify Signers

Print Sign/Cosign Delete
Edit Copy Link ...
Quit

Select Action: Quit// <Enter> Quit

```
    CPRSPATIE (C2342): New order(s) placed.
    TIUPATIEN (T0167P): PULMONARY CONSULT available for signature.
    ARTPATIEN (A1414): New order(s) placed.
    ARTPATIEN (A1414): New consult PLM (Routine)
    CPRSPATIE (C2432): New consult CAR (Routine)
        Select from 1 to 5
        or enter ?, A I, F, P, M, R, or ^ to exit: <Enter>
```

2. Through the Individual Patient Document option as shown here (which is identical to the Browse action, accessible by a number of familiar paths from TIU Clinician's options, or through the CPRS LM Chart):

```
--- Clinician's Menu ---
         Progress Notes User Menu ...
   2
         Discharge Summary User Menu ...
   3
         Integrated Document Management ...
         Personal Preferences ...
Select Progress Notes/Discharge Summary [TIU] Option: INtegrated Document Management
                         --- Clinician's Menu ---
  1
        Individual Patient Document
         All MY UNSIGNED Documents
  3
         Multiple Patient Documents
         Enter/edit Document
Select Integrated Document Management Option: INdividual Patient Document
                                              01-01-67 666010167P ACTIVE DUTY
Select PATIENT NAME: CPRSPATIENT, TWO
                      A: Known allergies
Available documents: 06/13/91 thru 01/26/98 (7)
Please specify a date range from which to select documents:
List documents Beginning: 06/13/91// T-1 (JAN 25, 1998)
                   Thru: 01/26/98// <Enter> (JAN 26, 1998)
  01/26/98 16:37
                    PULMONARY CONSULT
                                                           CPRSPROVIDER, TWO
                     Visit: 01/26/98
One document found within date range...
Opening PULMONARY CONSULT record for review...
```

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PULMONARY CONSULT

CPRSPATIENT,T 666-01-0167P PULMONARY CLINIC Visit Date: 01/26/98@16:37

DATE OF NOTE: JAN 26, 1998@16:37:34 ENTRY DATE: JAN 26, 1998@16:37:34

AUTHOR: TIUPROVIDER, THREE EXP COSIGNER:

URGENCY: STATUS: UNSIGNED

DEMOGRAPHICS: CPRSPATIENT, TWO

666-01-0167P

31

JAN 1,1967

His disposition is good.

+ Next Screen - Prev Screen ?? More actions >>:

Find Make Addendum Identify Signers
Print Sign/Cosign Delete
Edit Copy Link ...
Quit

Select Action: Quit//  ${\bf L}$  Link ...

Problem(s) Patient/Visit Link with Request

Specify Linkage: L Link with Request

You must link your Result to a Consult Request...
The following CONSULT REQUEST(S) are available:
1> JAN 23 1998@11:14 759 PHIMONARY

1> JAN 23, 1998@11:14 759 PULMONARY 2> JAN 23, 1998@11:14 760 PULMONARY

CHOOSE 1-2: 2 760

Opening PULMONARY CONSULT record for review...

#### Package Reference

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PULMONARY CONSULT

CPRSPATIENT,T 666-01-0167P PULMONARY CLINIC Visit Date: 01/26/98@16:37

DATE OF NOTE: JAN 26, 1998@16:37:34 ENTRY DATE: JAN 26, 1998@16:37:34

AUTHOR: TIUPROVIDER, THREE EXP COSIGNER:

URGENCY: STATUS: UNSIGNED

DEMOGRAPHICS: CPRSPATIENT, THREE

666-01-0167P

31

JAN 1,1967

His disposition is good.

+ Next Screen - Prev Screen ?? More actions >>>

Find Make Addendum Identify Signers
Print Sign/Cosign Delete
Edit Copy Link ...
Quit

Select Action: Quit// **<Enter>** Quit

Select PATIENT NAME: <Enter>

Nothing selected.

## 3. You may choose the Link action from the All My Unsigned Documents Option, as shown below:

```
MY UNSIGNED Documents
                                                                Jan 26, 1998 16:51:18
                                                                                                                               Page:
                                                                                                                                                  1 of
                        by AUTHOR (TIUPROVIDER, THREE) or EXPECTED COSIGNER
                                                                                                                                              40 documents
          Patient
                                                                                                                  Ref Date Status
                                                      Document
         CPRSPATIENT,T (C0167) PULMONARY CONSULT

ARTPATIENT,TW (A4321) Adverse React/Allergy

CPRSPATIENT,O (C8796) Reparatory Therapy Note

CPRSPATIENT,F (R1350) Reparatory Therapy Note

CPRSPATIENT,T (C9999) Reparatory Therapy Note

CPRSPATIENT,T (C9999) Reparatory Therapy Note

CPRSPATIENT,T (C1350) Reparatory Therapy Note

CPRSPATIENT,T (C1350) Reparatory Therapy Note

TIUPATIENT,EI (T1239) Reparatory Therapy Note

CPRSPATIENT,T (C1563) Reparatory Therapy Note

CPRSPATIENT,TIV (P1350) Reparatory Therapy Note

DSPATIENT,TEN (D6572) Reparatory Therapy Note

HSPATIENT,ONE (H2591) Reparatory Therapy Note

TIUPATIENT,EI (T1239) Reparatory Therapy Note

O1/14/98 uncosigned

TIUPATIENT,EI (T1239) Reparatory Therapy Note

O1/14/98 uncosigned
          CPRSPATIENT,T (C0167) PULMONARY CONSULT
                                                                                                                         01/26/98 unsigned
5
6
7
8
9
11
12
13
          TIUPATIENT, EI (T1239) Reparatory Therapy Note
                                                                                                                         01/14/98 uncosigned
                                                                                                                          01/14/98 uncosigned
14
          TIUPATIENT, EI (T1239) Reparatory Therapy Note
                     + Next Screen - Prev Screen ?? More Actions
          Find
                                                                                                                           Change View
                                                                  Sign/Cosign
          Add Document
                                                                  Detailed Display
                                                                                                                           Сору
          Edit
                                                                  Browse
                                                                                                                           Delete Document
          Make Addendum
                                                                  Print
                                                                                                                           Quit
          Link ...
                                                                  Identify Signers
Select Action: Next Screen// L
                                                                   Link ...
```

```
Problems Patient/Visit Link with Request

Specify Linkage: L Link with Request
Select Document(s): (1-14): 1

You must link your Result to a Consult Request...

The following CONSULT REQUEST(S) are available:
1> JAN 23, 1998@11:14 759 PULMONARY
2> JAN 23, 1998@11:14 760 PULMONARY
CHOOSE 1-2: 2 760
```

J YM	JNSIGNED Documents	Jan 26, 1998 16:51:32	Page:	1 of 3	
	by AUTHOR	(TIUPATIENT, THREE) or EXPECTED	COSIGNER	40 documents	
	Patient	Document	Ref Date	Status	
1	CPRSPATIENT,T (C01	67) PULMONARY CONSULT	01/26/98	unsigned	
2	ARTPATIENT, TW (A43	321) Adverse React/Allergy	01/22/98	unsigned	
3	CPRSPATIENT, O (C87	796) Reparatory Therapy Note	01/20/98	uncosigned	
4	CPRSPATIENT,F (R13	350) Reparatory Therapy Note	01/16/98	uncosigned	
5		999) Reparatory Therapy Note	01/16/98	uncosigned	
6	CPRSPATIENT,T (C13	350) Reparatory Therapy Note	01/15/98	uncosigned	
7		239) Reparatory Therapy Note	01/15/98	uncosigned	
8	CPRSPATIENT,T (C15	663) Reparatory Therapy Note	01/14/98	uncosigned	
9	CPRSPATIENT,T (C15	663) Reparatory Therapy Note	01/14/98	uncosigned	
10		350) Reparatory Therapy Note	01/14/98	uncosigned	
11		572) Reparatory Therapy Note	01/14/98	uncosigned	
12		91) Reparatory Therapy Note	01/14/98	uncosigned	
13		239) Reparatory Therapy Note	01/14/98	uncosigned	
14	TIUPATIENT,EI (T12	239) Reparatory Therapy Note	01/14/98	uncosigned	
+	** Item 1 Rea	assigned. **		>>>	•
	Find	Sign/Cosign		Change View	
	Add Document	Detailed Display	Copy		
	Edit	Browse	Delete Document		
	Make Addendum	Print	Quit		
	Link	Identify Signers			
Sele	Select Action: Next Screen// Q Quit				

--- Clinician's Menu --
1 Individual Patient Document
2 All MY UNSIGNED Documents
3 Multiple Patient Documents
4 Enter/edit Document

Select Integrated Document Management Option:

Clinic PULMONARY CLINIC

Patient Name

No patients found.

Current patient: \*\* No patient selected \*\*

## 4. From the CPRS Chart, the dialog looks like this (NOTE: If CONSULTS is defined as a CLASS under CLINICAL DOCUMENTS, this approach is not yet available):

Jan 27, 1998 15:20:32

ID

Select Patient: Change View// WINCHESTER, CHARLES EMERSON III

```
OE CPRS Clinician Menu
RR Results Reporting Menu
AD Add New Orders
RO Act On Existing Orders
PP Personal Preferences ...
Select Clinician Menu Option: OE CPRS Clinician Menu
```

DOB

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Appointment Date

```
Enter the number of the patient chart to be opened
+ Next Screen CV Change View ... FD Find Patient
- Previous Screen SV Save as Default List Q Close
```

107010167P	ACTIVE DUTY A: Known allergies		
Searching the patient's chart			

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01-01-67

```
Jan 27, 1998 15:20:40
Cover Sheet
                                                         Page: 1 of
CPRSPATIENT, TWO
                              666-01-0167P1A
                                                       JAN 1,1967 (31)
                                                                         <A>
                                              Entered
    Allergies/Adverse Reactions
    DUST
                                              10/07/97
    Patient Postings
    <None>
    Recent Vitals
    No data available
    Immunizations
    No immunizations found.
    Eligibility
    Not Service Connected
         Enter the numbers of the items you wish to act on.
NW Enter New Allergy/ADR CV (Change View ...)
                                                  SP Select New Patient
                        CC Chart Contents ...
AD Add New Orders
                                                  Q Close Patient Chart
Select: Chart Contents// CC;N Chart Contents ...
```

Searching the patient's chart ...

Signed Notes

CPRSPATIENT, TWO	666-01-0167P1A	JAN 1,1967 (31)	<a></a>
Curr	ently viewing 17 notes		
Title	Writte:	n Author	SigSt
1 PULMONARY CONSULT	01/26	16:37 RUSSELL,J	compl
2 Respiratory Therapy Note	12/11	16:59 RUSSELL,J	uncos
3 General Note	10/16	/91 NO,D	compl
4 General Note	06/17	/91 BUECHLER,M	compl
5 General Note	06/13	/91 MCCLENAH,M	compl
	f the items you wish to a		>>>
NW Write New Note CV	_		
AD Add New Orders CC	Chart Contents Q	Close Patient Ch	art
Select: Chart Contents// CV	Change View		

Jan 27, 1998 15:20:46

Page:

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Signed Notes	Jan 27, 1998 15:	
CPRSPATIENT, TWO	666-01-0167P1A	JAN 1,1967 (31) <a></a>
	Currently viewing 17	notes
Title		Written Author SigSt
1 PULMONARY CONSULT		01/26 16:37 RUSSELL,J compl
2 Joel's Test Note		12/11 16:59 RUSSELL,J uncos
3 General Note		10/16 /91 NO,D compl
4 General Note		06/17 /91 BUECHLER,M compl
5 General Note		06/13 /91 MCCLENAH,M compl
		ish to act on.
1 all signed	vers of the items you w 4 signed/author	Save as Preferred View
2 my unsigned	5 signed/dates	Remove Preferred View
3 my uncosigned	5 Signed/dates	remove ricitifed view
1 3	nsigned	

#### Searching the patient's chart ...

```
Unsigned Notes
                             Jan 27, 1998 15:20:55
                                                         Page:
                                                                  1 of
CPRSPATIENT, TWO
                               666-01-0167P1A
                                                     JAN 1,1967 (31)
                   Currently viewing all unsigned notes
                                              Written
    Title
                                                           Author
                                                                      SigSt□
    PULMONARY CONSULT
                                             | 01/27 15:19 RUSSELL,J unsig
          Enter the numbers of the items you wish to act on.
                         CV Change View ...
NW Write New Note
                                                  SP Select New Patient
AD Add New Orders
                         CC Chart Contents ...
                                                      Close Patient Chart
Select: Chart Contents// 1
```

Unsigned Notes Jan 27, 1998 15:20:55 Page: 1 of 1 CPRSPATIENT,TWO 666-01-0167P1A JAN 1,1967 (31) <A>

Currently viewing all unsigned notes

Title Written Author SigSt 1 PULMONARY CONSULT | 01/26 16:37 RUSSELL,J unsig

Enter the numbers of the items you wish to act on.

Edit Detailed Display Identify signers

Make Addendum Browse Copy Sign Print Delete

Browse

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PULMONARY CONSULT

CPRSPATIENT,T 666-01-0167P PULMONARY CLINIC Visit Date: 01/26/98@16:37

DATE OF NOTE: JAN 26, 1998@16:37:34 ENTRY DATE: JAN 26, 1998@16:37:34

AUTHOR: TIUPROVIDER, THREE EXP COSIGNER: URGENCY: STATUS: UNSIGNED

DEMOGRAPHICS: CPRSPATIENT, TWO

666-01-0167P

31

JAN 1,1967

His disposition is good.

Select Action: BR

+ Next Screen - Prev Screen ?? More actions >>>

Find Make Addendum Identify Signers
Print Sign/Cosign Delete
Edit Copy Link ...

Quit

Select Action: Quit// L Link ...

Problem(s) Patient/Visit Link with Request

Specify Linkage: L Link with Request

You must link your Result to a Consult Request...
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1> JAN 23, 1998@11:14 759 PULMONARY

2> JAN 23, 1998@11:14 760 PULMONARY

CHOOSE 1-2: **2** 760

Opening PULMONARY CONSULT record for review...

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PULMONARY CONSULT

CPRSPATIENT,T 666-01-0167P PULMONARY CLINIC Visit Date: 01/26/98@16:37

DATE OF NOTE: JAN 26, 1998@16:37:34 ENTRY DATE: JAN 26, 1998@16:37:34

AUTHOR: TIUPROVIDER, THREE EXP COSIGNER:

URGENCY: STATUS: UNSIGNED

DEMOGRAPHICS: CPRSPATIENT, TWO

666-01-0167P

31

JAN 1,1967

His disposition is good.

+ Next Screen - Prev Screen ?? More actions >>>

Find Make Addendum Identify Signers
Print Sign/Cosign Delete
Edit Copy Link ...
Quit

Select Action: Quit// <Enter> Quit

Currently viewing all unsigned notes

Title Written Author SigSt

PULMONARY CONSULT | 01/27 15:19 RUSSELL,J unsig

Enter the numbers of the items you wish to act on.

NW Write New Note CV Change View ... SP Select New Patient AD Add New Orders CC Chart Contents ... Q Close Patient Chart

Select: Chart Contents// Q Close Patient Chart

## **Using the Consults Package with Medicine**

If your site is set up for attaching Medicine results to consults, and there are results available, then Consults prompts you to attach relevant results during the Complete/Update action.

In this example, we attach medicine results to a consult we are completing:

```
CONSULT TRACKING
                              Jun 21, 2000 14:23:01
                                                              Page:
                                                                       1 of
CPRSPATIENT, FOUR 666-43-8796
                                       2B M
                                                         DEC 4,1949 (50)
                                                                            <CAD>
                                                               Wt.(lb): No Entry
   Requested St
                     No. Consult/Procedure Request
    05/16/00 a
                     1719 ELECTROCARDIOGRAM CARDIOLOGY Proc
    05/15/00 c
                     1718 ELECTROCARDIOGRAM CARDIOLOGY Proc
2
    02/09/00 p
3
                    1679 Holter Monitoring CARDIOLOGY Cons
    06/18/99 a
                     1538 PACEMAKER SURVEILLANCE CARDIOLOGY Proc
    04/07/99 c
                     1433 Holter Monitoring CARDIOLOGY Cons
   06/11/98 pr 1047 CARDIOLOGY Cons
6
   09/24/97 c
7
                     341 *CARDIOLOGY Cons
8 02/03/97 dc
9 07/28/95 c
10 07/20/95 c
                     209 CARDIOLOGY Cons
                    94 ECHO CARDIOLOGY Proc
88 ELECTROCARDIOGRAM CARDIOLOGY Proc
  07/20/95 c 87 ELECTROCARDIOGRAM CARDIOLOGY Proc
04/23/92 c 64 *ELECTROCARDIOGRAM CARDIOLOGY Proc
11
         Enter ?? for more actions
                                        CT Complete/Update RT Results Display
SP Select Patient FR Forward
                                        MA Make Addendum PF Print Form 513
CV Change View ... CX Cancel (Deny)
RC Receive DC Discontinue
                                                            RM Remove Med Rslt
                                        SF Sig Findings
SC Schedule
                   CM Add Comment
                                        DD Detailed Display ER Edit/Resubmit
Select: Next Screen// CT
                           Complete/Update
```

```
CHOOSE No. 1-32: 1
Attach Medicine Results? Y// <Enter> ES
```

```
Procedure/Medicine Resulting Jun 21, 2000 14:29:50
                                                                           1 🗆
                                                          Page:
                                                                   1 of
CPRSPATIENT, FOUR 666-43-8796
                                                         DEC 4,1949 (50)
                                       2B M
                                                                          <CAD>
                      Available Medicine Results
    Type of Proc.
                          Procedure Date Summary
 1
    ELECTROCARDIOGRAM
                           AUG 13,1997
                                               ABNORMAL
    ELECTROCARDIOGRAM
                           JUL 31,1995@08:04 NORMAL
                           Select action or item number
AR Associate Result
                         DR Display selected medicine result
```

Select action: Quit//

Notice that when we tried to complete a consult with available Medicine results, Consults prompted us, "Attach Medicine Results?" By responding affirmatively we are presented a screen with a list of the qualifying Medicine results and the ability to both explore these results and attach one or more of them to the consult.

For this to happen, two things must have taken place:

Procedure/Medicine Resulting Jun 21, 2000 14:29:50

- 1. Your CAC or IRM must have defined certain procedures as qualifying to provide results to your service.
- 2. Those procedures must have been performed on your patient and the results entered into VistA.

In the following example, a medicine result is associated with the current consult and the complete action is finished:

Page:

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Select action or item number

AR Associate Result
Select action: Quit// AR Associate Result

Select action: Quit// AR Associate Result

Select item: (1-2): 1

ELECTROCARDIOGRAM AUG 13,1997 ABNORMAL

Are you sure you want to associate this result? NO// Y YES

```
Continue with Note Entry? Y// N NO
```

```
Jun 21, 2000 14:41:35
CONSULT TRACKING
                                                             Page:
                                                                        1 of
                                                                                 3
CPRSPATIENT, FOUR 666-43-8796
                                                           DEC 4,1949 (50)
                                        2B M
                                                                 Wt.(lb): No Entry
    Requested St
                     No. Consult/Procedure Request
    05/16/00 c
                     1719 ELECTROCARDIOGRAM CARDIOLOGY Proc
    05/15/00 c
2
                    1718 ELECTROCARDIOGRAM CARDIOLOGY Proc
    02/09/00 p
3
                    1679 Holter Monitoring CARDIOLOGY Cons
    06/18/99 a 1538 PACEMAKER SURVEILLANCE CARDIOLOGY Proc
4
5
    04/07/99 c
                     1433 Holter Monitoring CARDIOLOGY Cons
    06/11/98 pr 1047
6
                           CARDIOLOGY Cons
                      341 *CARDIOLOGY Cons
    09/24/97
              C
   02/03/97 dc 209 CARDIOLOGY CONS
07/28/95 c 94 ECHO CARDIOLOGY Proc
07/20/95 c 88 ELECTROCARDIOGRAM CARDIOLOGY Proc
07/20/95 c 87 ELECTROCARDIOGRAM CARDIOLOGY Proc
8
9
10
11
    04/23/92
                        64 *ELECTROCARDIOGRAM CARDIOLOGY Proc
         Enter ?? for more actions
SP Select Patient FR Forward
                                          CT Complete/Update RT Results Display
CV Change View ... CX Cancel (Deny)
                                         MA Make Addendum PF Print Form 513
                    DC Discontinue
                                                             RM Remove Med Rslt
RC Receive
                                         SF Sig Findings
SC Schedule
                    CM Add Comment
                                         DD Detailed Display ER Edit/Resubmit
Select: Next Screen//
```

Notice that after we exited the Procedure/Medicine Resulting screen, we were prompted about entering a note. If we had responded with a Yes, we would have been able to attach a TIU note to the consult we were closing in addition to the Medicine results.

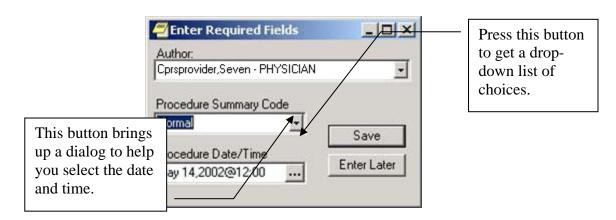
## **Using the Consults Package with Clinical Procedures**

Individual consult types can be designated to be resulted with the Clinical Procedures package. If this is the case, then Consults expects clinical procedures results to be attached to the consult. This attachment is usually accomplished with the CPUser program.

If the instrument in question has not yet been connected to Clinical Procedures, then the consult may be completed in the usual way by an authorized provider. (Authorized providers being clinicians whom the CAC has set up as an interpreter for the appropriate service.) In this case Consults will filter the note titles available and only allow you to use Clinical Procedures titles.

When the clinical procedure results are present, Consults changes the status to PR (partial results). This means that, at least, at stub of a TIU document has been attached to the consult. It could also mean that one or more images and/or instrument reports created by a clinical device are also attached to the consult. Additionally, the interpretation of the clinical device image(s) or text may have been uploaded and is ready for signature.

The minimum required by the consults package to complete a clinical procedures consult is the interpretation of the clinical device output. If this is not supplied via upload, then it must be entered by the consulting clinician. When this interpretation is entered, the following fields are required and are prompted for (if not already present):



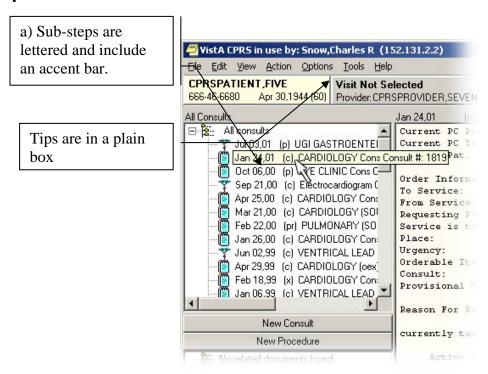
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#### **Windows Quick Start**

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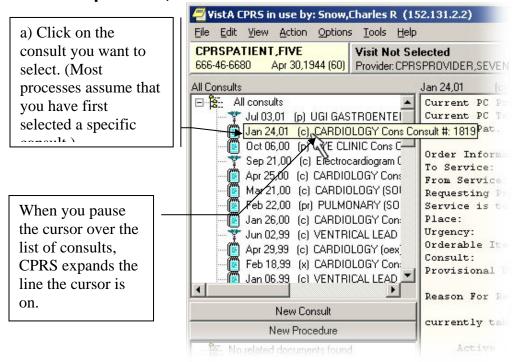
## Key

## 1. Steps are numbered and bolded:



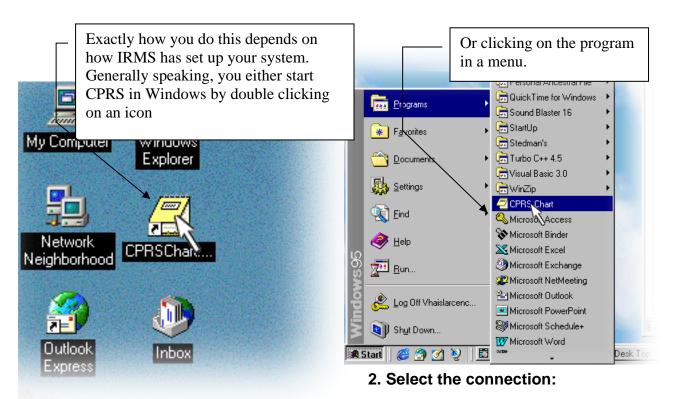
#### Introduction

## 1. Before each process, select the consult:



# Windows Flow of Information Starting Consults in Windows

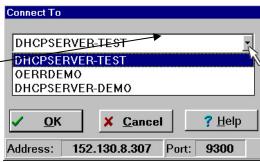
#### 1. Start CPRS for Windows:



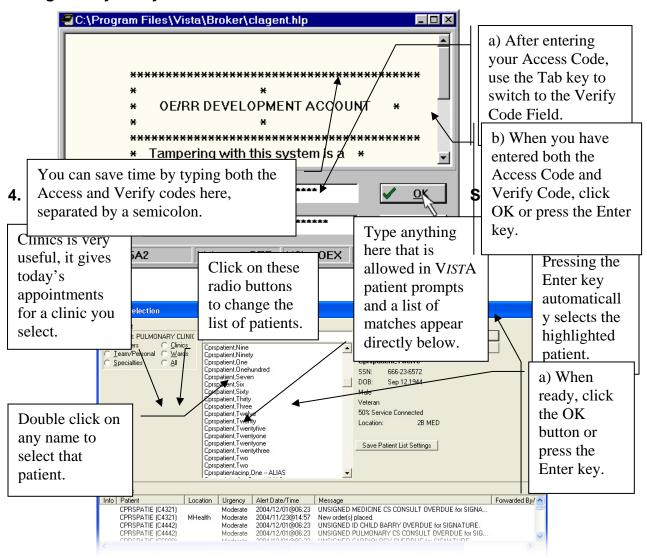


Note: Depending on the way CPRS is installed on your machine, you may not see this step

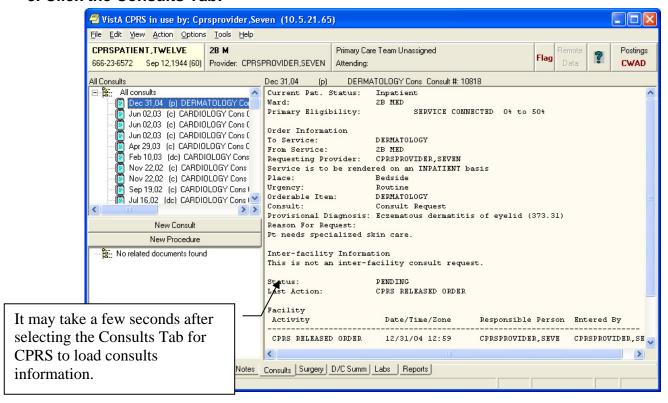
Click on the drop-down button Select the appropriate connection. (See your Clinical Application Coordinator for information on which is the correct one.) Click OK.

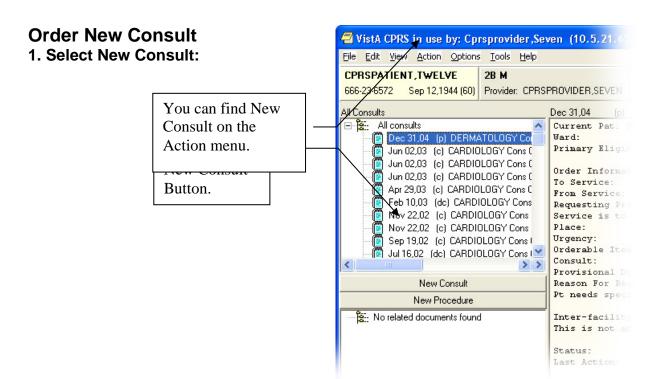


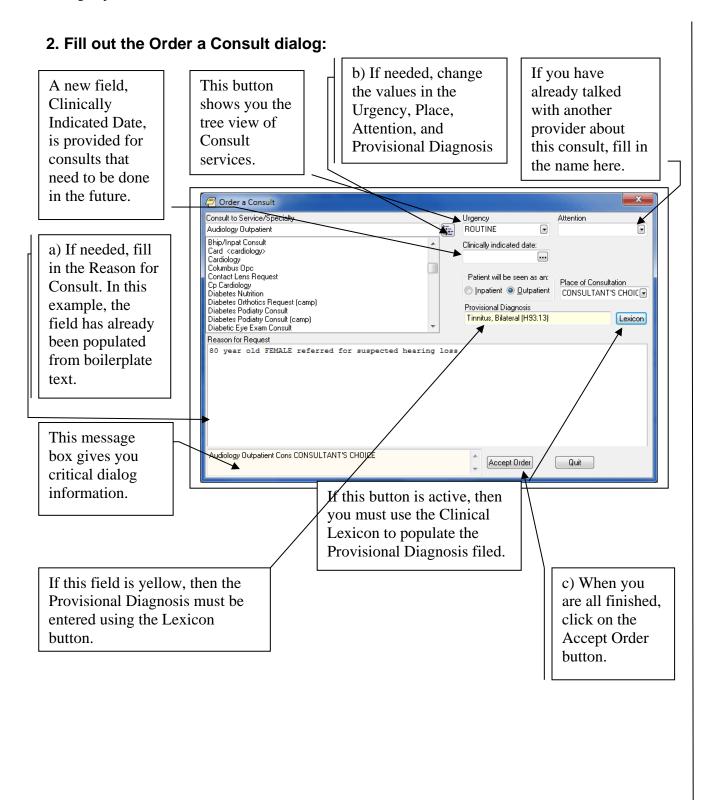
#### 3. Log-on to your system:



#### 5. Click the Consults Tab:

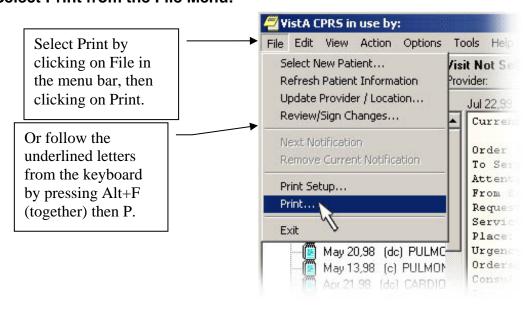




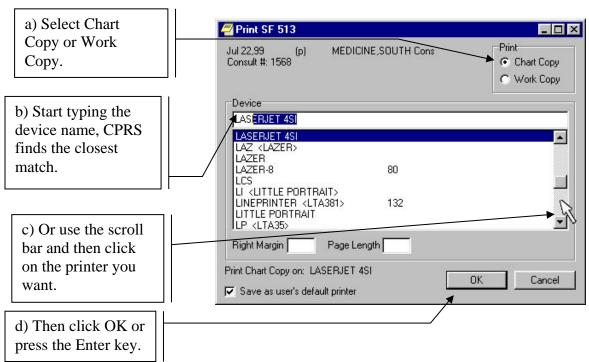


#### Print Form 513

#### 1. Select Print from the File Menu:

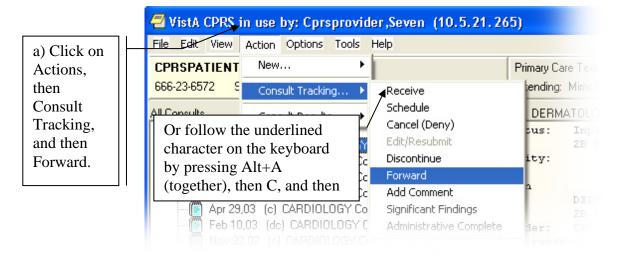


#### 2. Select the Printer Device:

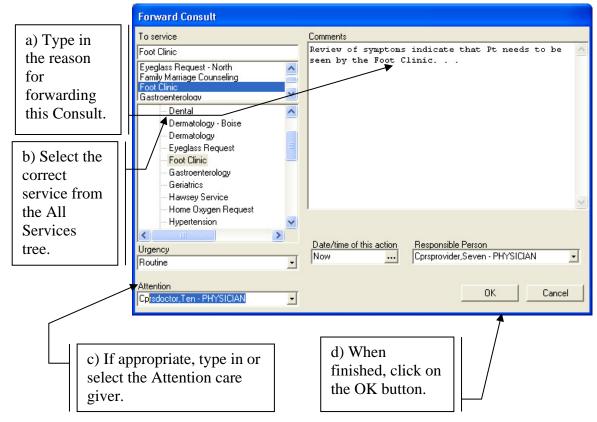


## **Forward Request**

#### 1. Select Forward:

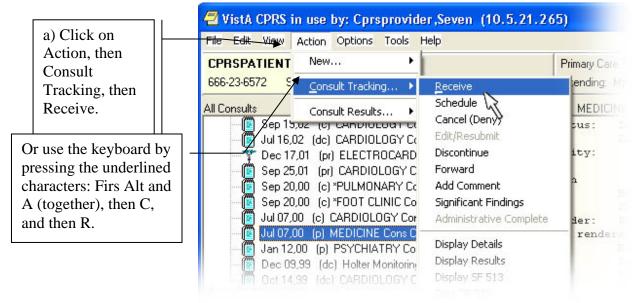


### 2. Fill in the Forward Consult dialog:

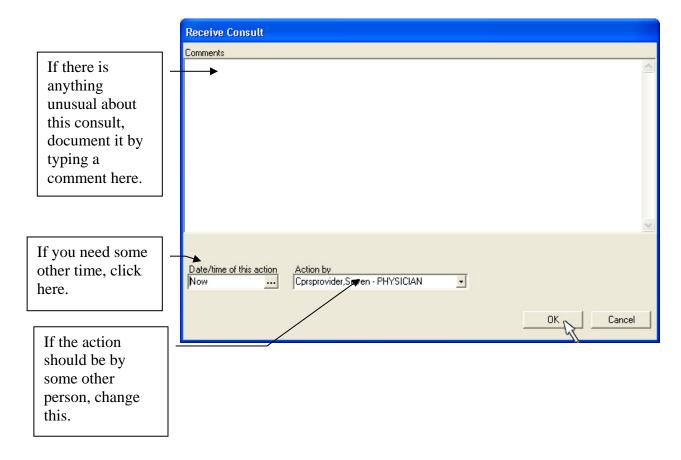


## **Receive Request**

## 1. Select Receive:

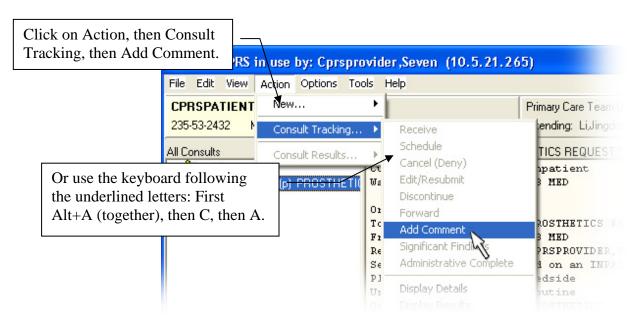


#### 2. Click OK.

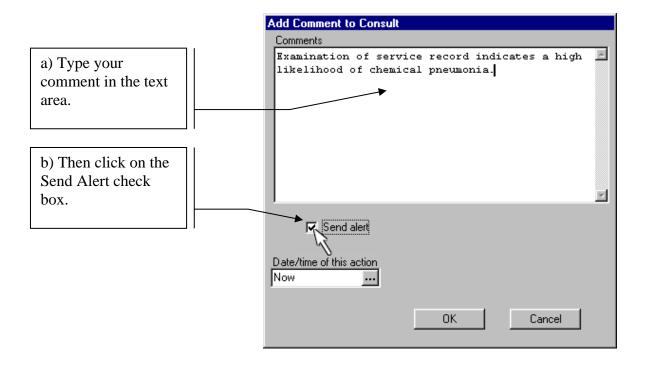


#### Comment

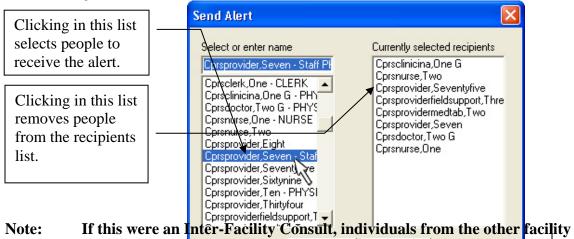
### 1. Select Add Comment:



## 2. Fill in the Add Comment to Consult Dialog:



## 3. Select the People to Receive the Alert:



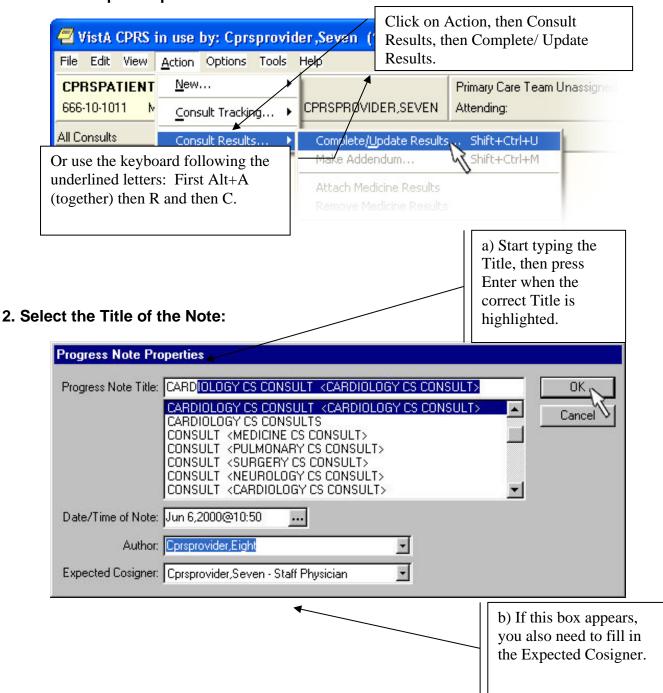
involved would not be on this list. In this case, the Notification System decides who to notify at the other facility by referring to Consults files.

## 4. Select OK:

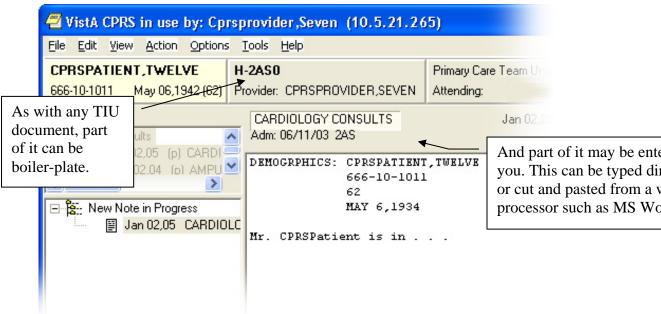


# **Complete a Consult (From the Consults Tab)**

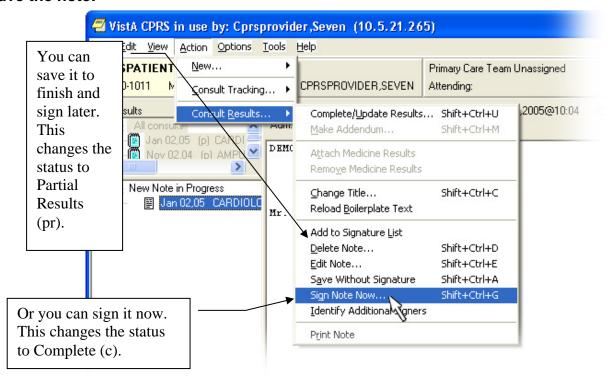
1. Select Complete/Update Results:



### 3. Type in the text of the results:



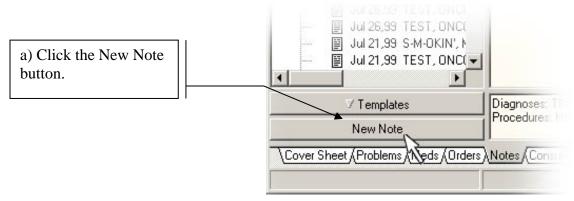
#### 4. Save the note:



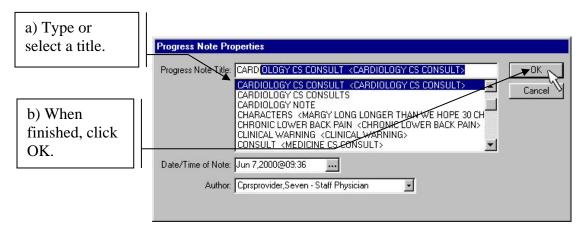
# **Complete a Consults (From the Notes Tab)**

Before starting, from the CPRS Windows program, select the correct patient and click the Notes tab.

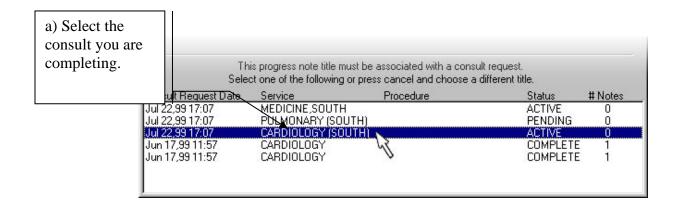
#### 1. Click New Note:



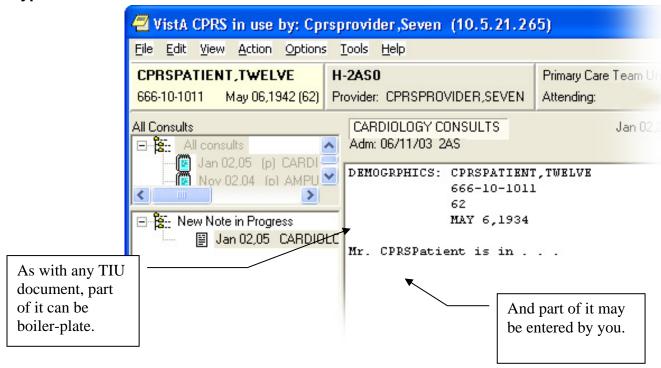
#### 2. Select the Title of the Note:



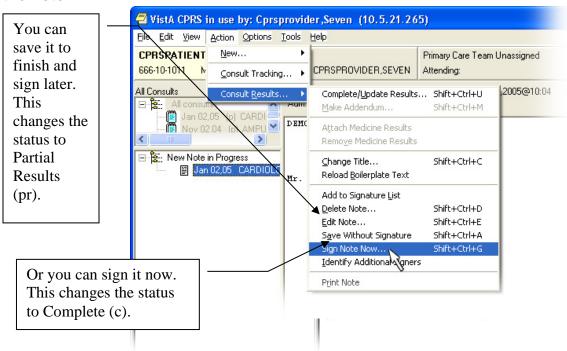
#### 3. Select the consult:



## 4. Type in the text of the results:

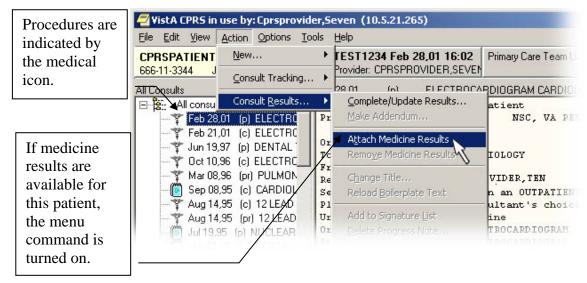


#### 5. Save the note:

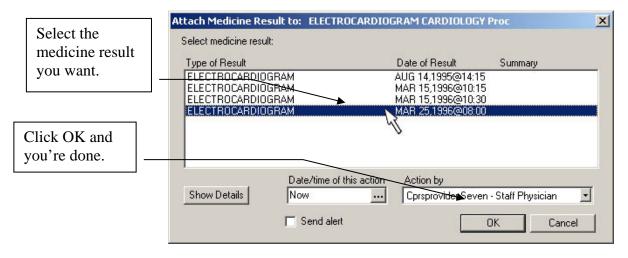


# **Complete a Consult (From the Medicine Results)**

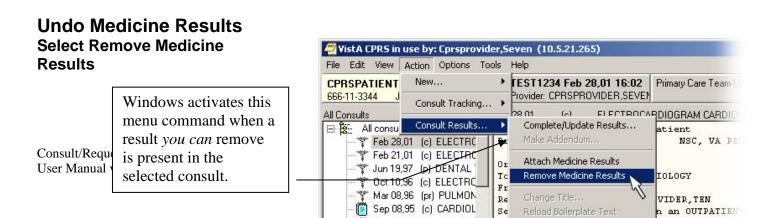
### 1. Select Attach Medicine Results:



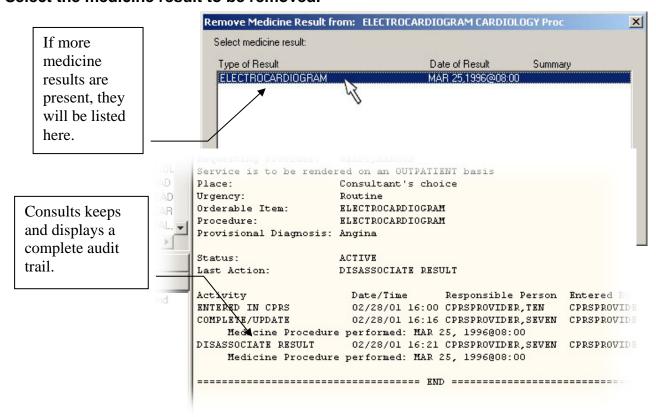
### 2. Select the medicine result.



## 3. No signature is necessary at this time.



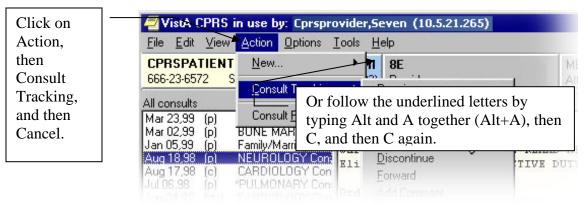
#### 2. Select the medicine result to be removed.



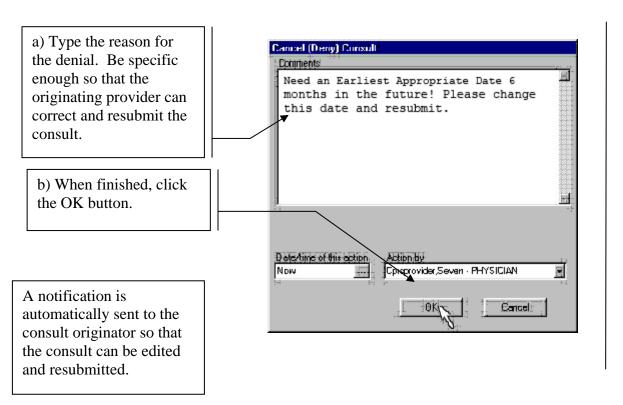
# Other Windows Topics Cancel (Deny) Request

This is a consult receiver's action. If you are the consult originator, use the Discontinue Order action.

#### 1. Select Cancel:



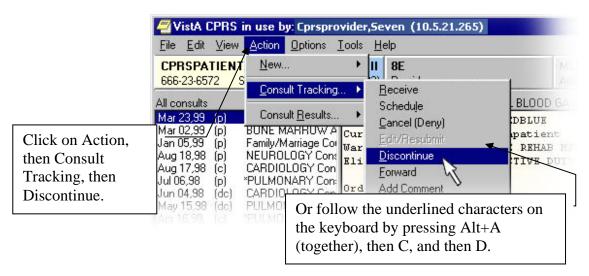
## 2. Consult dialog:



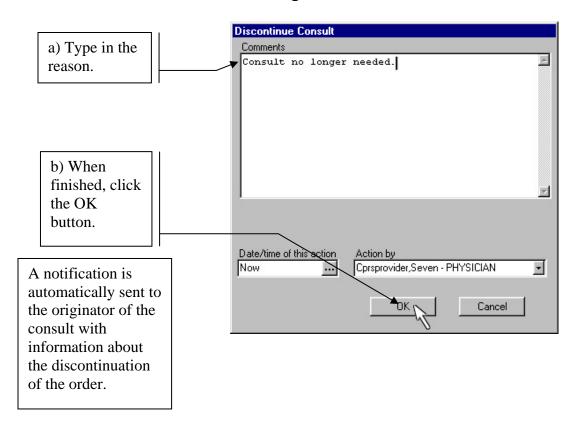
### **Discontinue Order**

This is a consult originator's action. If you are the consult receiver, use the Cancel (Deny) action.

#### 1. Select Discontinue:

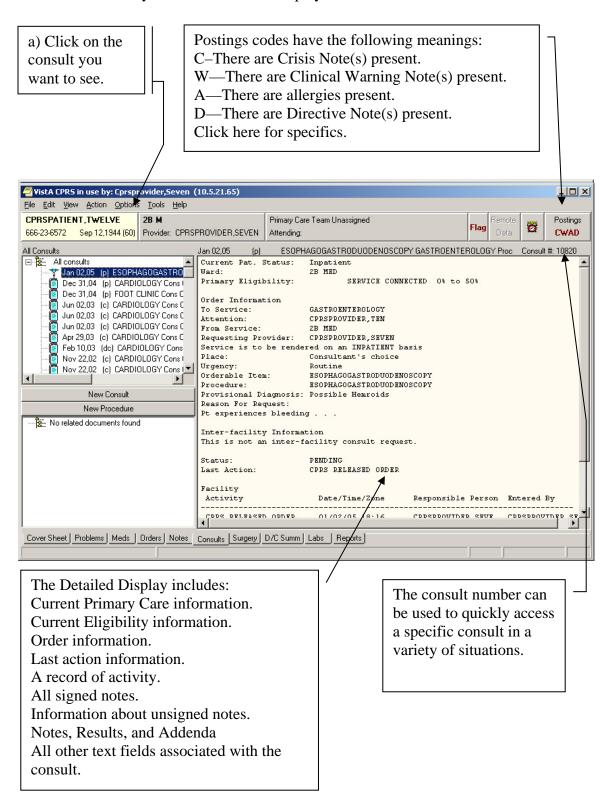


## 2. Fill out the Discontinue Consult dialog:



## **Detailed Display**

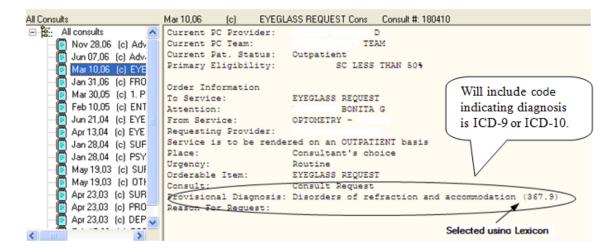
Consults in Windows always show the detailed display of whatever consult is selected.



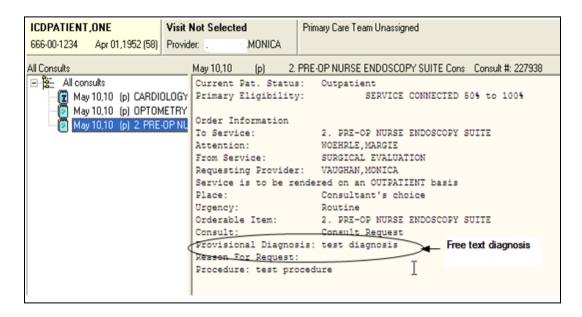
# Changes made by Patch 73 for ICD-10 Remediation

ICD Diagnosis Code Display

ICD Diagnoses will be displayed on the user-selected Consults or Procedures. If an existing consult (for which ICD-10 diagnosis was entered) is selected for display or the action Display Details is used, the ICD-10-CM diagnosis code and full description/definition will be displayed.

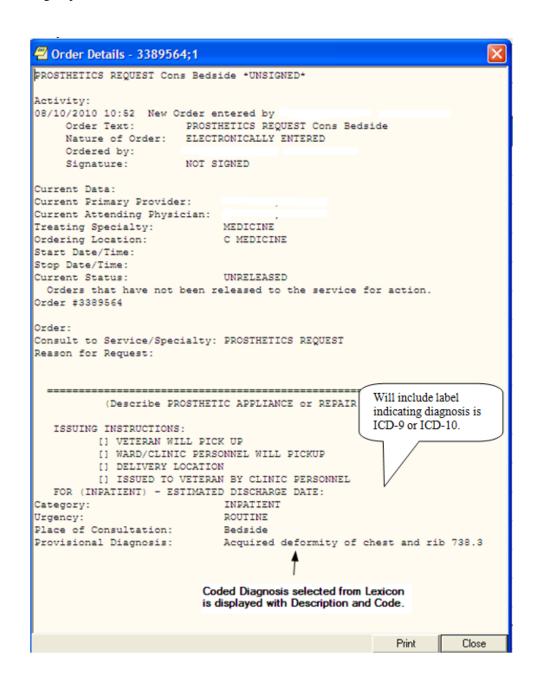


If the user selects an existing consult to display or uses the action Display Details and the Provisional Diagnosis was entered using free text data entry, the CRT package will not designate the diagnosis as ICD-9 or ICD-10.



The CRT package will display ICD Diagnosis on the display details of Consults/Procedures orders.

- If the user selects an order to display details and the Provisional Diagnosis was entered as an ICD-9 diagnosis using the Lexicon, the ICD-9 diagnosis code and description/definition will be displayed.
- If the user selects an order to display details and the Provisional Diagnosis was entered as an ICD-10 diagnosis using the Lexicon, the ICD-10-CM diagnosis code and full description/definition will be displayed.
- If the user selects an order to display and the Provisional Diagnosis was entered using free text data entry, then Consults will not designate the diagnosis as ICD-9 or ICD-10.
- If the user selects an existing consult to display and the Provisional Diagnosis was entered using the Lexicon then Consults will designate the particular diagnosis as ICD-9 or ICD-10.

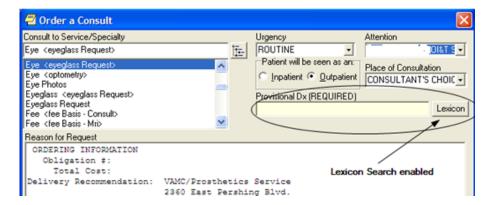


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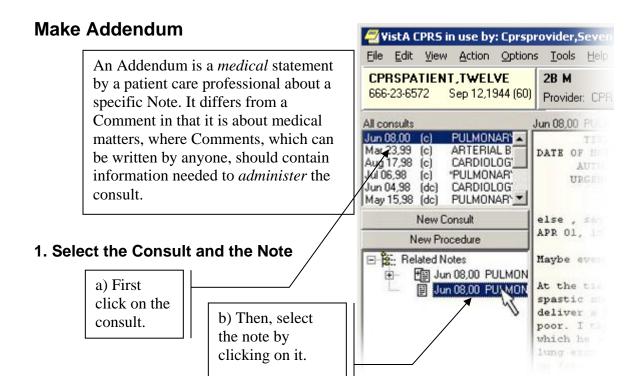
- ICD Diagnosis on the Display SF 513 action will be displayed for a particular Consults or Procedure.
  - If the user performs the action Display SF 513 for a consult or procedure for which ICD-10 diagnosis was entered, Consults will display the ICD-10-CM diagnosis code and full description/definition.
  - If the user performs the action Display SF 513 for a consult or procedure and the Provisional Diagnosis was entered using free text data entry, then Consults will not designate the diagnosis as ICD-9 or ICD-10.
  - If the user performs the action Display SF 513 for a consult or procedure and the Provisional Diagnosis was entered using the Lexicon, then Consults will designate the particular diagnosis as ICD-9 or ICD-10.

## ICD Diagnosis Search

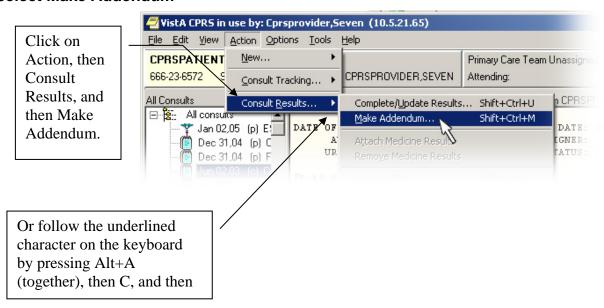
Consults will provide the ability to search on ICD-10-CM diagnosis full (expanded) text descriptions and codes.



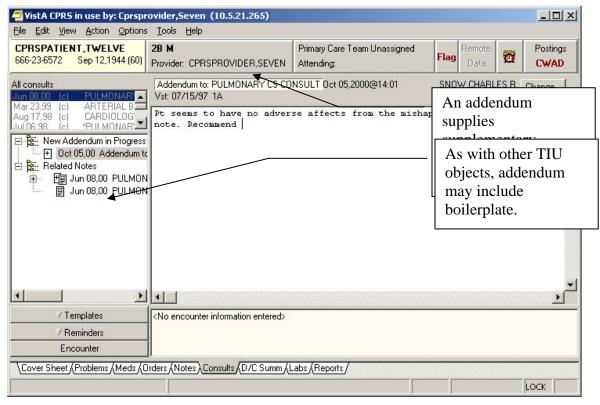
- Consults will display ICD Diagnosis on the Display SF 513 action for a particular Consults or Procedure.
  - If the user performs the action Display SF 513 for a consult or procedure for which ICD-10 diagnosis was entered, Consults will display the ICD-10-CM diagnosis code and full description/definition.
  - If the user performs the action Display SF 513 for a consult or procedure and the Provisional Diagnosis was entered using free text data entry, Consults will not designate the diagnosis as ICD-9 or ICD-10.
  - If the user performs the action Display SF 513 for a consult or procedure and the Provisional Diagnosis was entered using the Lexicon, then Consults will designate the particular diagnosis as ICD-9 or ICD-10.



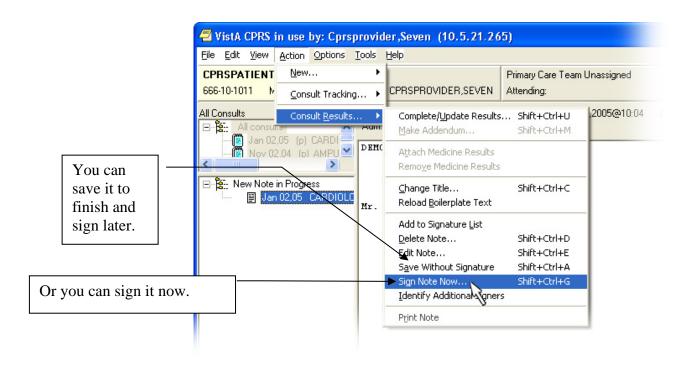
#### 2. Select Make Addendum



### 3. Type the addendum:

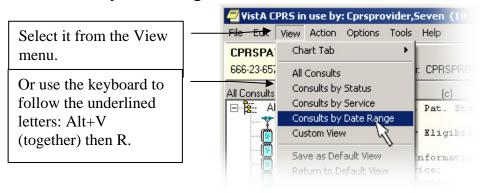


#### 4. Save the note:

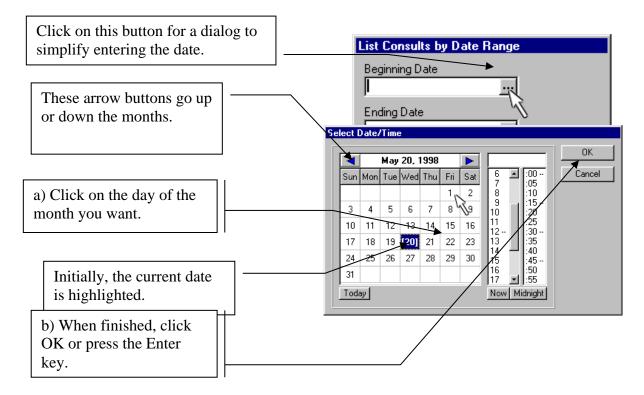


# **New Date Range**

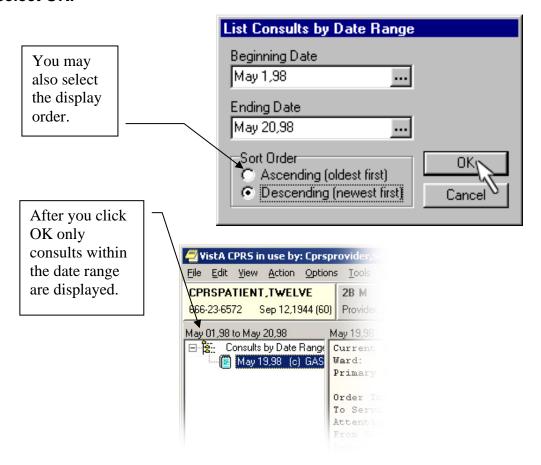
## 1. Select Consults by Date Range:



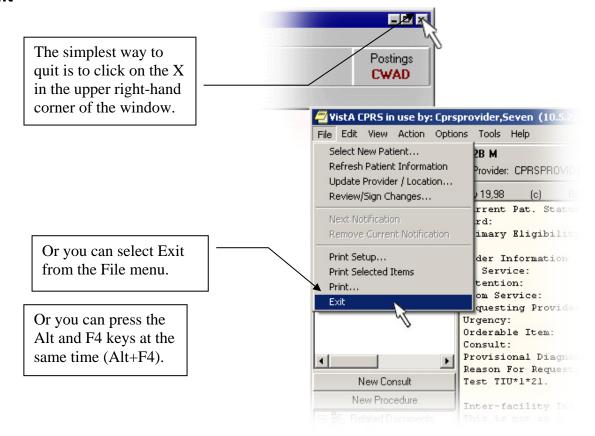
## 2. Fill in the List Consults by Date Range Dialog:



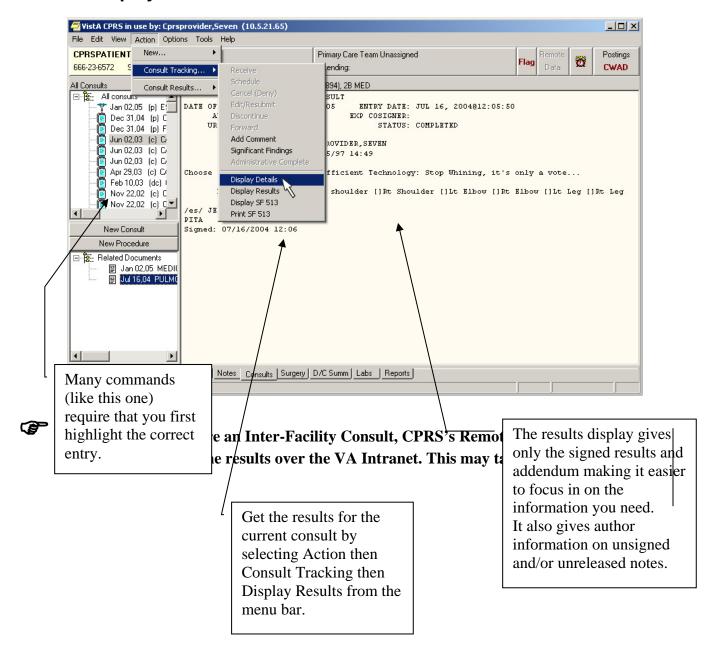
## 3. Select OK:



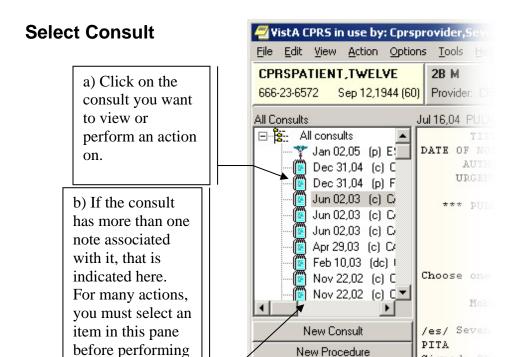
# Quit



# **Results Display**



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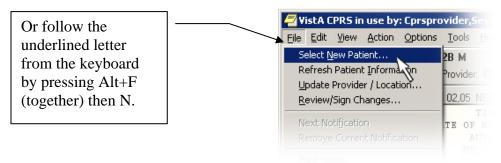
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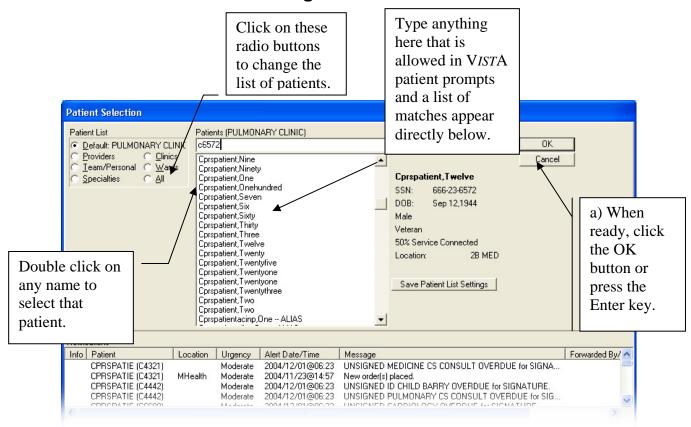
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#### **Select New Patient**

#### 1. Choose Select New Patient from the File Menu:



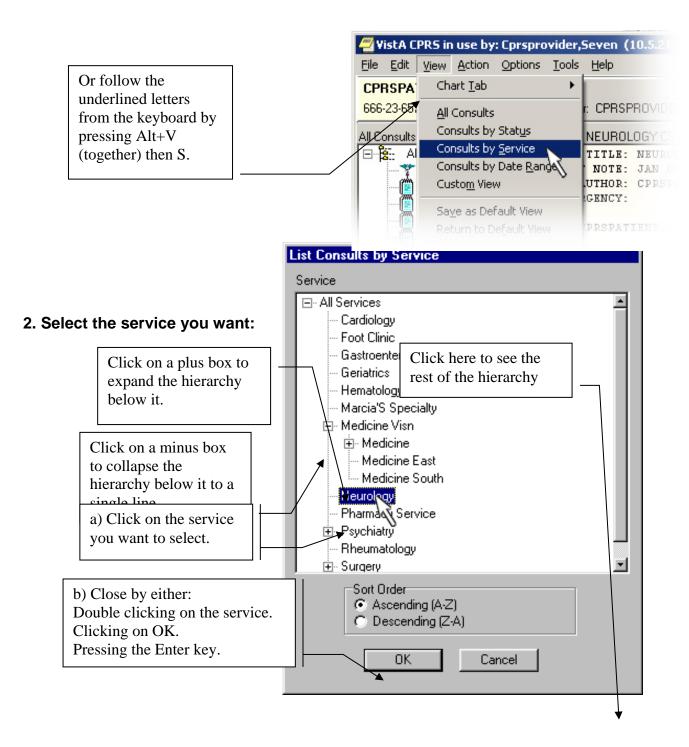
# 2. Use the Patient Selection Dialog:



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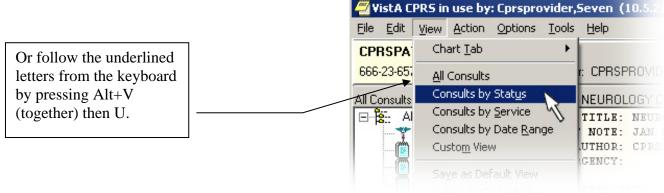
### **Select Service**

## 1. Select Consults by Service from the View Menu:

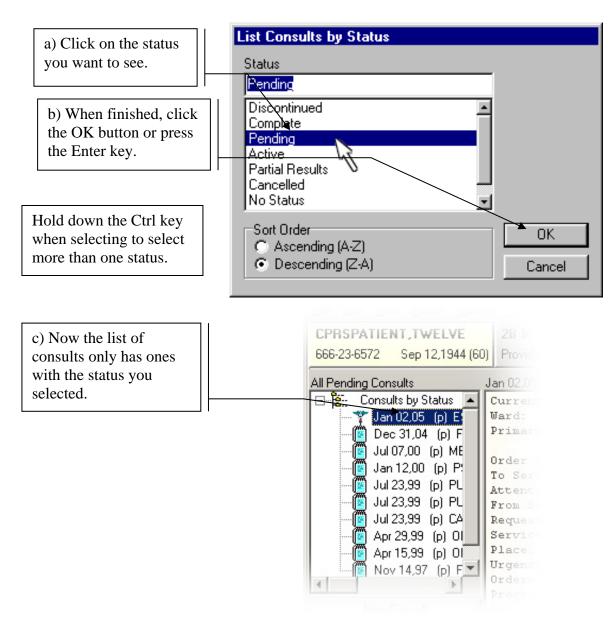


## **View by Status**

## 1. Select Consults by Status from the View Menu:

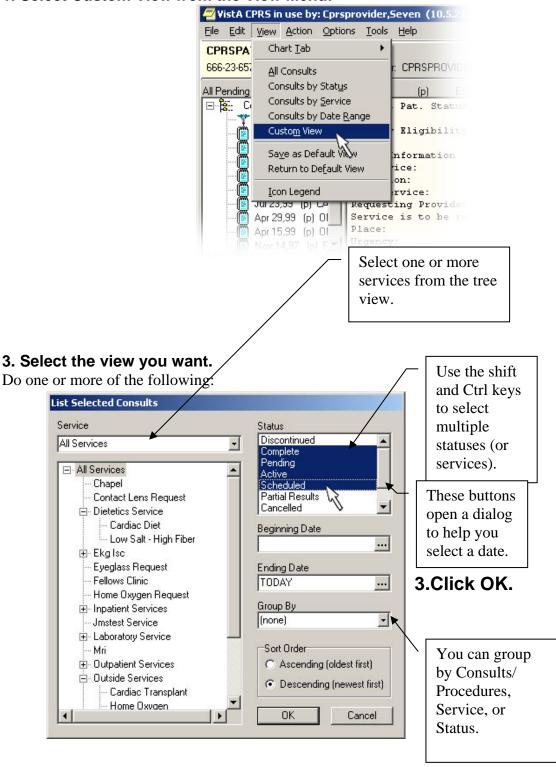


### 2. Select the status you want from the list:



### **Custom List**

## 1. Select Custom View from the View Menu:



# **Package Reference**

There are three menus, six notifications, and 18 actions that make up the package that is Consults. In the preceding section, **Package Operation**, we discussed a number of these in order to explain how the Consult/Request Tracking package works. In this section, we give each of a description of each of these in turn to provide reference information for you.

### **General Service User Menu**

If you are a Consults user from a service other than Medicine or Pharmacy services, you probably have the GMRC General Service User menu. This menu gives you access to all the basic functionality you need to track Consults for your service.

As a General Service User, you have access to three basic options as shown in this example:

```
Select Consult Service Tracking Option: ?

CS Consult Service Tracking
PC Service Consults Pending Resolution
ST Completion Time Statistics

Enter ?? for more options, ??? for brief descriptions, ?OPTION for help text.

Select Consult Service Tracking Option:
```

# **Consult Service Tracking Option**

The Consult/Request Service Tracking option may be used to:

Review the latest activity related to a patient's consult/procedure request orders.

Update or track activities related to a patient's consults.

The menu of actions available to you depends on whether you are a Review Only user or an Update user. The names and the synonyms for each menu action is listed below:

# **Review Only and Update Actions**

ACTION NAME	SYNONYM	GUI Menu Action
Next Screen	+	
Previous Screen	-	
Add Comment	CM	Action Consult Tracking Add Comment
Change Date Range	CV;DT	View Consults by Date Range
Detailed Display	DD	Action Consult Tracking Detailed Display
Edit/Resubmit	ER	Action Consult Tracking Edit Resubmit*
Redisplay Screen	RD	
Select Patient	SP	File Select New Patient
Select Service	CV;SS	View Consults by Service
Print Form 513	PF	File Print
Quit	Q	File Exit
Results Display	RT	Action Consult Tracking Display Results
View By Status	CV;ST	View Consults by Status

<sup>\*</sup> ER (Edit/Resubmit) may be used only by the originating provider or an update user. It is available on this menu in case the originating provider is not an update user.

# **Update Only Actions**

ACTION NAME	SYNO NYM	GUI Menu Command
	14 1 141	
Complete (Update)	CT	Action Consult Results Complete/Update Results
Cancel (Deny)	DY	Action Consult Tracking  Deny
Discontinue	DC	Action Consult Tracking  Discontinue
Forward	FR	Action Consult Tracking  Forward
Receive	RC	Action Consult Tracking  Receive
Remove Med Rslt	RM	Action   Consult Tracking   Remove Medicine Results
Schedule	SC	Action Consult Tracking Schedule
Significant Findings	SF	Action Consult Tracking Significant Findings
Make Addendum	MA	Action Consult Results Make Addendum

Each review screen displayed has a prompt at the bottom of the display screen. This prompt varies according to what Consults thinks you are going to do next. Thus it is either "Select Consult:" or "Select Action:" depending on various system variables. If the prompt is "Select Consult:" you may either select a consult or an action. If the prompt is "Select Action:" you may only select an action. In either case a ? at this prompt provides you with a menu of actions.

Before you use this option, you need to know:

• The patient's name or identification.

You may identify a patient by entering information other than the patient's name. Some possibilities are: Social Security Number (SSN), Ward Location, or Room-Bed, at the Select Patient prompt.

• The service or specialty.

The default answer at the Select Service/Specialty Tracking prompt is always ALL SERVICES//. The response you make at the prompt determines what action you are able to select. If you accept the ALL SERVICES default, the Review Only actions are the only ones available. Alternatively, a service/specialty could be specified to restrict the number of consults to review. If you are an Update user for the service/specialty you selected, then you have all actions available to you at the action prompt.

An example of the Consult/Request Service Tracking option and default Review Only actions available for use with the option are shown in the following sample dialogue. User responses are in bold.

```
Select Consult Service Tracking Option: ?

CS Consult Service Tracking
PC Service Consults Pending Resolution
ST Completion Time Statistics

Enter ?? for more options, ??? for brief descriptions, ?OPTION for help text.

Select Consult Service Tracking Option: CS Consult/Request Service Tracking
Select Patient: CPRSPATIENT,FOUR 01-01-51 666123456 YES SC VET
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Select Service/Specialty: ALL SERVICES// <Enter> ALL SERVICES
List From Starting Date: ALL DATES// <Enter> ALL
```

Select the Consult/Request Service Tracking option from your menu and enter the name of the patient whose consults/requests you want to review.

At the Select Service/Specialty prompt enter the name of the Service or hierarchy of services the consult was referred to. If consults are available in the service or hierarchy for the patient specified, they are listed as shown in the following display.

```
CONSULT TRACKING Oct 06, 2000 08:24:24 Page: 1 of 1 CPRSPATIENT, FOUR 666-44-2222 8E/3E101-1 MAR 3,1960 (40) <AD>
Wt.(1b): 184

Requested St No. Consult/Procedure Request 1 10/06/00 p 1766 EYE CLINIC Cons

Enter ?? for more actions

SP Select Patient RT Results Display ER Edit/Resubmit

CV Change View ... PF Print Form 513

DD Detailed Display CM Add Comment

Select: Quit//
```

## **Review Only Actions**

Enter ?? at the Select Item(s) prompt to see the complete list of options available to you.

```
Select Consult: Quit// ??
Enter the display number of the item you wish to act on, or select an action.
If you'd like another view of the consults, enter CV.
Status kev:
     'a' - active 'c' - complete
'p' - pending 'x' - cancelled
's' - scheduled 'e' - expired
                                                       'dc' - discontinued
                                                       'pr' - partial results
Enter ?? to see a list of actions available for navigating the list.
Press <return> to continue ...
The following actions are also available:
+ Next Screen RD Redisplay Screen
- Previous Screen UP Up a Line
FS First Screen DN Down a Line
                                                         CWAD Display CWAD Info
LS Last Screen
                                                        SL Search List
GO Go to Page Print Screen PT Print List
                                                        EX Exit
Enter RETURN to continue or '^' to exit:
```

If you are an update user, the menu of actions includes additional actions such as received, completed, and discontinued.

The help display also includes a key to abbreviations used in consult screens, including the Consult Tracking screen currently under discussion.

## **Update Select Actions**

If you are an Update user, then the Consult Tracking display looks like this:

Each action is described in detail in the **Actions** section of **Package** Reference starting on page 108.

# **Completion Time Statistics**

This report is intended to help hospitals track overall quality of service. High numbers on this report can indicate the presence of bottlenecks in the organization that might need management attention.

In the following example, a report on completion times is printed for Pulmonary Service:

```
Select Consult Service Tracking Option: ?

CS Consult Service Tracking
PC Service Consults Pending Resolution
ST Completion Time Statistics

Enter ?? for more options, ??? for brief descriptions, ?OPTION for help text.

Select Consult Service Tracking Option: ST Completion Time Statistics

Select Service/Specialty: ALL SERVICES// PULMONARY
List From Starting Date: ALL DATES//
...HMMM, LET ME THINK ABOUT THAT A MOMENT.......
```

```
DAYS TO COMPLETE CONSULT STATSOct 06, 2000 08:28:22
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                                                            Page:
Number Of Days To Complete A Consult For Services Statistics.
FROM: ALL TO: OCT 6,2000
                  Consult/Request Completion Time Statistics
                         FROM: ALL TO: OCT 6,2000
SERVICE: PULMONARY
Total Number Of Consults Completed: 200
Mean Days To Complete: 46.8
                                                 Standard Deviation: 104.7
Total INPATIENT Consults: 32
                                                 Standard Deviation: 125.1
Mean Days To Complete: 60.7
Total OUTPATIENT Consults: 30
                                                 Standard Deviation: 155.5
Mean Days To Complete: 93.4
Total Unclassified Consults: 138
Mean Days To Complete: 33.4
                                                 Standard Deviation: 81.0
         Enter ?? for more actions
```

```
SS Select Service PR Print Completion Statistics To A Printer.
Select Item(s): Quit//
```

## **Service Consults Pending Resolution**

The purpose of the Service Consults Pending Resolution option is to list the pending and active consults. Use it to stay informed about the overall status of consults for your service.

In the following example, the option is used to view pending and active Pulmonary consults:

```
Select Consult Service Tracking Option: ?

CS Consult Service Tracking
PC Service Consults Pending Resolution
ST Completion Time Statistics

Enter ?? for more options, ??? for brief descriptions, ?OPTION for help text.

Select Consult Service Tracking Option: PC Service Consults Pending Resolution
Select Service/Specialty: PULMONARY
List From Starting Date: ALL DATES// <Enter>
...EXCUSE ME, LET ME THINK ABOUT THAT A MOMENT...
```

```
Service Consults by Status Oct 06, 2000 08:31:39
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                                                                                                                                                                      5
 To Service: PULMONARY
 From: ALL To: OCT 6,2000
  Status Last Action
                                                            Request Date Patient Name
                                                                                                                              Pt Location
                                                          Consult/Request By Status
                                                         FROM: ALL TO: OCT 6,2000
 SERVICE: PULMONARY
 Pending CPRS RELEASED ORDER 09/20/00 CPRSATIENT, FOU (6572) 2B MED
 Pending
                      CPRS RELEASED ORDER 09/19/00 CPRSATIENT, ONE (5678) 2B MED
 Pending CPRS RELEASED ORDER 09/19/00 CPRSATIENT, FIV (1111) 2B MED

        Pending
        CPRS RELEASED ORDER
        07/20/00 CPRSATIENT, TWO (3241) 2B MED

        Pending
        PRINTED TO
        06/29/99 CPRSATIENT, SIX (8829) GENERAL MEDICINE

        Pending
        PRINTED TO
        06/28/99 CPRSATIENT, FOU (3779) 1A

        Pending
        PRINTED TO
        06/15/99 CPRSATIENT, SEV (8828) 13A PSYCH

        Pending
        PRINTED TO
        06/08/99 CPRSATIENT, FIF (4111) 1A

        Pending
        PRINTED TO
        06/03/99 CPRSATIENT, EIG (2345) ONCOLOGY

        Pending
        PRINTED TO
        06/03/99 CPRSATIENT, SIX (9235) 1A

        Pending
        PRINTED TO
        06/03/99 CPRSATIENT, NIN (3242) ONCOLOGY

        Pending
        PRINTED TO
        06/03/99 CPRSATIENT, TEN (5525) ONCOLOGY

                   Enter ?? for more actions
                                                                                                                                                                    >>>
                                                     Status
                                                                                               Number on/off
           Service
                                                                                                                                          Print List
 Select Item(s): Next Screen//
```



Note:

Someone in your clinic or service should review this list daily to make sure that all consults are being attended to.

# **Consult Status**

The following table gives the statuses that Consults uses, along with their abbreviation, name, and description:

Abbreviation	Name	Description
a	ACTIVE	Orders that are active or have been accepted by the
		service for processing.
c	COMPLETE	Orders that require no further action by the
		ancillary service.
dc	DISCONTINU	Orders that have been stopped prior to expiration or
	Е	completion.
p	PENDING	Orders that have been placed but not yet accepted
		by the service filling the order.
pr	PARTIAL	All or part of a consult completion report has been
	RESULTS	entered, but has not yet been signed.
S	SCHEDULED	The receiving clinic has scheduled an appointment
		for the patient.
X	CANCELLED	Orders that have been rejected by the ancillary
		service without being acted on.

The following table gives the actions that Consults uses along with the status after the action is performed:

<b>Consult Actions</b>	Status after Action
CPRS Released Order	PENDING
Discontinued	DISCONTINUED
Incomplete Report	PARTIAL RESULTS
Completed	COMPLETE
Edited/Resubmit	PENDING
Schedule	SCHEDULED
Forwarded	PENDING
Canceled	CANCELLED
Added Comment	No change in status
Received	ACTIVE
Printed	No change in status

This table shows actions that are tracked in Consults V. 3.0. Actions that are new with 3.0 are indicated as well as which Consults menu (update or review) initiates the action. If an order status change can result from the action, the new status is shown.

TRACKED ACTION TYPE	New V.3.0	<b>Update</b> Actions	Review Actions	RELATED OE/RR STATUS	Comment
Added Comment		X	X		Review users can add a comment.
Addendum Added To	X	X			Based on adding a signed and released addendum to a completed note via the Complete/Update or Make Addendum action or through TIU actions.
Cancelled	X	X		CANCELLED	This is used in 3.0 replacing the 2.5 Deny action.
Complete/ Update		X		COMPLETE or PARTIAL RESULTS	Changed title to imply Complete can be chosen multiple times by clinicians entering results. TIU actions can also cause this tracking action. Includes the one-time Administrative Complete.
Disassociate Result	X				Currently done through TIU actions. In the future will be used to remove an incorrectly associated note.
Discontinued		X		DISCONTINU ED	No longer includes Denied.
Edit Before Release	Obs o- lete			UNRELEASE D	Moved unreleased consults to Order Entry in CPRS conversion.
Edit/Resubmitted	X			PENDING	The originating provider can edit and resubmit a consult from either an alert or the Consult Tracking screen. An update user may also use this action.
CPRS Released Order				PENDING	Used in 3.0 to represent a signed/released Consult order from CPRS.
Forwarded From		X		PENDING	

Incomplete RPT			PARTIAL	Status name has changed from
			RESULTS	Incomplete RPT. Based on
				Complete/Update action, and/or
				TIU actions, if the first consult
				note is not completed.
New Note Added	X		PARTIAL	Based on Complete/Update
			RESULTS/	action and/or TIU actions.
			COMPLETE	

# Consult Action/Status Overview (Continued)

t Action/Status Ov	CIVICW	(Conti	nucu)		
TRACKED ACTION TYPE	New V.3.0	Update Actions	Review Actions	RELATED OE/RR STATUS	Comment
Printed to					Based on the original order being signed and released, forwarded, and edit/resubmitted. The SF 513 printed at the Service is accomplished with the Consult package hard-coded format. (OE/RR print templates cannot include results.)
Received				ACTIVE	
Schedule	X	X		ACTIVE	The Schedule action does not actually schedule an appointment or link to the scheduling package. It does allow a convenient way to annotate a consult after an appointment has been scheduled by some other means.
Service Entered				ACTIVE	Currently unavailable.
Sig Finding Update	X	X			May be used independently from Administrative Complete action from 2.5.
Status Change	X			ACTIVE	Used by TIU when a note is disassociated from a consult and there are no other results associated with the it.
Unknown Action	X			NO STATUS	Used in displays if action is unknown.

# Actions Brief Action Descriptions Review Only Actions

- The *Detailed Order Display* action displays specific order activities and details, audit/tracking trails and results.
- The *New Date Range* allows you to change date range while in the Consult Tracking screen. This date range change does not change the patient or require you to select a new patient. It is a subordinate action to Change View (CV).
- CV The *Change View* action gives you the capability to view consults by Service, Status, or Date Range. This is done by adding the modifying action to CV as such: CV;SS for Select Service. CV;ST for View by Status. CV;DT for New Date Range.
- **PF** The **Print Form** action produces a copy of SF 513.
- **RT** The *Results Display* action displays the results of the consult or procedure request order.
- **SP** The *Select New Patient* action allows you to select a new patient's name at any time, while using this option, rather than having to log out of the option and log back in.
- The *Select Service* action allows you to select a different service/specialty in which to review orders. It is a subordinate action to Change View (CV).
- The **View by Status** action allows you to select one or more statuses to display on the screen. It is a subordinate action to Change View (CV).
- CM This action synonym may be entered at the Select prompt if the Service/Specialty wishes to add a *Comment* to an existing consult order. An example is a comment indicating that the requesting clinician wants a HOLD put on an order that has already been Received and is active in a Service/Specialty.
- Although the *Edit/Resubmit* action shows up on the Review Only menu, it can only be executed by the originating provider or an update user. When a consult is cancelled or denied for clerical reasons (such as insufficient data), then the information on the consult can be edited and resubmitted it with this action. Alternatively, the originating provider may perform this function from the alert.
- ${f Q}$  The  ${\it Quit}$  action exits all Consults options.  ${f Update\ Actions}$

- The *Complete Request* action updates the CPRS status of a consult from Active to Completed. When the patient's consult review screen is displayed again, both the consult's current status and the Last Activity field will be updated to indicate that the consult's new current status is Completed.
  - Complete Request also links you to TIU so that you can enter findings.
- CX The *Cancel* (or *Deny*) *Request* action may be used by Service personnel to deny a request for completion of a consult/procedure received by their Service. A comment concerning the reason for denial must added when using this action.
- The *Discontinue Order* action allows Service/Specialty personnel to change an order's current status and Last Activity field to Discontinued. In addition, a comment may be added concerning the reason for discontinuance.
- FR Entering the *Forward Request* allows you to forward a consult or request to any other Service/Specialty, provided that Service/ Specialty has been set up by IRM personnel to receive consults on line. As an example, this action could be used when Cardiology Service has mistakenly received a consult that should have been sent to Hematology Service.
- MA The *Make Addendum* action allows one or more people to add their comments to the results of a consult. Contrast this to Add Comment, which adds a note to the consult.
- The *Received Request* action is used by a Service/Specialty to acknowledge receipt of a new consult/request in the Service and to update the current CPRS status of the consult/request to Active rather than Pending. The Last Activity field on the patient's review screen will also be updated to indicate that the consult was Received.
- **RM** The *Remove Medicine Results* action is used when a medicine result has been attached to a consult in error. It's use is restricted, but generally speaking, it can be done by anyone who can attach medicine results.
- The *Schedule* action can be used by a Service/Specialty to annotate a consult that an appointment has been scheduled for the patient. (It does not schedule an appointment or link to the Scheduling Package.)
- SF The *Significant Findings* action is used by a Service/ Specialty to mark a consult has having significant findings. When the Sig Findings flag is set to "Y" an asterisk is placed next to the consult in the review display.



Note: Actions that require you to select an existing order can be done in one of

two ways:

Select the action.

Select the order.

Or

Select the order.

Select the action.

The actions that are affected by this are:

DD Detailed Order Display

CM Comment Order

CT Complete Request

DC Discontinue Order

CY Deny Request

FR Forward Request

RC Received Request

SC Schedule

ER Edit/Resubmit

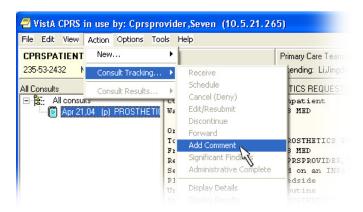
# **Add Comment (CM) Action**

The Add Comment action allows you to append a comment to a consult order when important information about the consult needs to be added to the original order or when a caregiver needs to furnish information before the consult is ready to be closed out.

The Add Comment action can be performed by any user.

To use the Comment Order action from Windows:

- From the Consults tab, highlight the consult you want to add a comment to.
- Select Action|Consult Request|Add Comment.





Note:

If this were an Inter-Facility Consult, individuals from the other facility involved would not be on this list. In this case, the Notification System decides who to notify at the other facility by referring to Consults files.

# Cancel (or Deny) Consult

The Cancel action is one of several options the receiving clinic or service uses to process a request (see **Forward the Consult** under **Work Flow** page 24).

The originating clinician is automatically sent an alert that the request has been canceled. This action is provided for all update options in the Consults package.

#### Example:

```
Select Consult Management Option: CS Consult Service Tracking
Select Patient: CPRSPATIENT, FOUR 01-01-51 666123456 YES SC VET
ERAN

Select Service/Specialty: ALL SERVICES// PULMONARY
List From Starting Date: ALL DATES // <Enter> ALL DATES
```

```
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CPRSPATIENT, FOUR 666-43-8796

Requested St No. Consult/Procedure Request

1 02/03/97 a 999 PULMONARY Consult
2 02/03/97 a 989 PULMONARY Consult
3 02/03/97 c 929 *PULMONARY Consult
4 02/03/97 c 873 *PULMONARY Consult
5 01/09/97 c 872 PULMONARY UGI
6 09/06/96 dc 500 PULMONARY ECHO
7 03/05/92 dc 444 PULMONARY Electrocardiogram

Enter ?? for more actions

SP Select Patient FR Forward CT Complete/Update RT Results Display
CV Change View . . . CX Cancel (Deny) MA Make Addendum PF Print Form 513
RC Receive DC Discontinue SF Sig Findings RM Remove Med Rslt
SC Schedule CM Add Comment DD Detailed Display ER Edit/Resubmit
Select: Quit// CX Cancel (Deny)
```

```
CHOOSE No. 1-2: 2
Responsible Clinician: CPRSPROVIDER,TWO CRS PHYSICIAN
Date/Time of Actual Activity: NOW// <Enter> (JUN 19, 1997@04:21)
Enter COMMENT:
1>Duplicate Consult
2> <Enter>
EDIT Option: <Enter>
```

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CPRSPATIENT, FOUR 666-43-8796

ZB M

DEC 4,1949 (50) <CAD>
Wt.(1b): 184

Requested St No. Consult/Procedure Request

1 02/03/97 x 999 PULMONARY Consult

2 02/03/97 a 989 PULMONARY Consult

3 02/03/97 c 929 *PULMONARY Consult

4 02/03/97 c 873 *PULMONARY Consult

5 01/09/97 c 872 PULMONARY UGI

6 09/06/96 dc 500 PULMONARY ECHO

7 03/05/92 dc 444 PULMONARY Electrocardiogram

Enter ?? for more actions

SP Select Patient FR Forward CT Complete/Update RT Results Display

CV Change View ... CX Cancel (Deny) MA Make Addendum PF Print Form 513

RC Receive DC Discontinue SF Sig Findings RM Remove Med Rslt

SC Schedule CM Add Comment DD Detailed Display ER Edit/Resubmit
```

The originating clinician has then has the option of editing and resubmitting the request. This is done either from the view alerts function, or from the consult tracking screen with the Edit/Resubmit (ER) action. An update user for the subject service may also edit and resubmit a canceled consult.

# **Change View (CV) Action**

The Change View action is really three different actions packaged into one. They are:

- View by Status (ST)
- Change Date Range (DT)
- Select Service (SS)

Enter the CV action followed by one of these three options. You can do this as two different entries, or you can put both commands on the same line separated by a semicolon, like this: CV:DT

In the following example we use the CV action to display selected statues:

With this action you can selectively display consults on the Consult Tracking screen base on the consult's status. In the following example, the display is changed to view only consults with a status of Pending or Discontinued. For a list of consult statuses and their meanings, see page 104.

```
DT Date Range
ST Status
SS Service
Only Display Consults With Status of: All Status's// p Pending
Another Status to display: s Scheduled
Another Status to display: a Active
Another Status to display: <Enter>
```

Enter ?? for more actions

SP Select Patient RT Results Display ER Edit/Resubmit

CV Change View ... PF Print Form 513
DD Detailed Display CM Add Comment

Select Consult: Quit//

# **Complete Request (CT) Action**

The Complete Request action which updates a consult order's CPRS status to completed (c).

Using the CT action informs the system that you are completely finished with a consult or procedure. An alert is sent to the originating provider and marks the record of the consult as complete.

Finally, the Complete action links you to TIU so that you can enter results. See page 27 for an example of this feature.

If a user is set up as either an Administrative User or on an Administrative User Team, the option exists to perform an Administrative Complete. In the GUI (Windows) interface, this is a separate command under Action | Consult Tracking. In List Manager, if the user has Administrative privileges, then the program asks if an Administrative Complete should be performed. (An Administrative complete does not have results attached to it.)

# **Deny Request (DY) Action**

The Deny Request action has been subsumed by the Cancel action. See Cancel (CX) Action on page 112.

# **Detailed Order Display (DD) Action**

The Detailed Order Display action provides a list of all consult information contained in the computer file.

## Example:

```
Select Consult Management Option: CS Consult Service Tracking
Select Patient: CPRSPATIENT, FOUR CPRSPATIENT, FOUR 12-04-49 666438796 SC
VETERAN

Select Service/Specialty: ALL SERVICES// PULMONARY
List From Starting Date: ALL DATES // <Enter> ALL DATES
```

```
Select Consult Number: 1
```

You can do just the opposite of the example above; i.e., you can select a consult first then type the action DD. The result is the same. (Continued on next page.)

#### Package Reference

CONSULTS DETAILED DISPLAY Nov 01, 1997 13:55:42 Page: 1 of 5

CONSULT DETAILED DISPLAY Consult No.: 675

CPRSPATIENT, TWO 666-67-1996 DOB: MAR 5,1949 (48) Wt. (lb): No Entry

Current Inpatient/Outpatient: Inpatient

Eligibility:
To Service:
From Service: SC VETERAN PULMONARY MEDICINE

Reason For Request: Pt experiences shortness of breath when out of

bed.

Status: COMPLETE

CPRSPROVIDER,TWO Bedside ATTENTION:

Place: Urgency: Routine

Request Activity Date/Time Ordering Clinician Entered By

11/01/97 10:13 CPRSPROVIDE,ONE CPRSPROVIDE,ONE

11/01/07 10:15 CPRSPROVIDED ONE CPRSPROVIDED ONE 11/01/97 10:15 CPRSPROVIDER, ONE CPRSPROVIDER, ONE RECETVED

Enter ?? for more actions

Select Action:Next Screen// <Enter>

CONSULTS DETAILED DISPLAY Nov 01, 1997 14:00:20 Page: 2 of 5

CONSULT DETAILED DISPLAY Consult No.: 675

CPRSPATIENT, TWO 666-67-1996 DOB: MAR 5,1949 (48) Wt. (lb): No Entry

COMPLETED 11/01/97 10:17 CPRSPROVIDER, ONE CPRSPROVIDER, ONE

----- TIU CONSULT REPORT ------

Source Information

Author: CPRSPROVIDER, ONE

Reference Date: NOV 01, 1997@10:15:35 Author: CPF Entry Date: NOV 01, 1997@10:15:35 Entered By: CA Expected Signer: CPRSPROVIDER,ONE Expected Cosigner: None
Urgency: None Document Status: COMPLETED

Line Count: 21 TIU Document #: 2330

Subject: None

Associated Problems No linked problems.

Edit Information

Edit Date: NOV 01, 1997@10:17:23 Edited By: CPRSPROVIDER, ONE

Enter ?? for more actions

Select Action: Next Screen// <Enter>

```
CONSULTS DETAILED DISPLAY
                             Nov 01, 1997 14:02:13
                                                            Page:
CONSULT DETAILED DISPLAY
                                                    Consult No.: 675
CPRSPATIENT, TWO 666-67-1996
                                   DOB: MAR 5,1949 (48) Wt. (lb): No Entry
 Reassignment History Document Never Reassigned.
 Signature Information
    Signed Date: NOV 01, 1997@10:17:35
                                               Signed By: CPRSPROVIDER, ONE
                                          Signature Mode: ELECTRONIC
  Cosigned Date: None
                                             Cosigned By: None
                                        Cosignature Mode: None
 Document Body
At the time I went to examine the pt, he was acutely broncho-
spastic and in moderately severe respiratory distress. I had him
deliver a puff of albuterol with an Aerochamber; his technique was
poor. I then instructed him and delivered an additional four puffs,
which he did with good technique. He was improved and with a clear
lung exam within a few seconds (though wheezes were still present
         Enter ?? for more actions
```

Select Action: Next Screen// <Enter>

```
CONSULTS DETAILED DISPLAY
                             Nov 01, 1997 14:03:47
                                                            Page:
CONSULT DETAILED DISPLAY
                                                    Consult No.: 675
CPRSPATIENT, TWO
                  666-67-1996 DOB: MAR 5,1949 (48) Wt. (lb): No Entry
on forced expiration).
The pt regimen is lacking in inhaled corticosteroids. Recognizing
that asthma is an inflammatory process, inhaled steroids are important
in controlling the inflammtory response. My practice for severely
out-of-control asthmatics is to use high-dose inhaled steroids,
typically vanceril, 16 puffs qid, with a spacing device such as the
Aerochamber. I would institute such a regimen while he is here.
The pt has an in-house pet dog and an outside pet cat. I have
told him that the cat should go, even if it is outdoors. Cat saliva
contains a glycoprotein that leaves residue on their coats and flakes
into the air; it is problematic for many asthmatics.
The purulent phlegm asthmatics have during exacerbations is usually
         Enter ?? for more actions
```

Select Action:Next Screen// <Enter>

#### Package Reference

CONSULTS DETAILED DISPLAY Nov 01, 1997 14:07:36 Page: 5 of 5
CONSULT DETAILED DISPLAY Consult No.: 675
CPRSPATIENT, TWO 666-67-1996 DOB: MAR 5,1949 (48) Wt. (1b): No Entry + due to the eosinophils, not from infection. Antibiotics are usually not necessary.

If you like, you may refer Mr. Bud to my clinic after discharge.

If you like, you may refer Mr. Bud to my clinic after discharge.

Enter ?? for more actions

Select Action:Quit//

# **Discontinue Order (DC) Action**

The Discontinue Order (DC) action is used by clinical personnel to stop a consult/procedure request after it has been signed. This differs from the cancel action in that there is not Edit/Resubmit action available on a discontinued order.

In the example below, the Discontinue Order action is used to cancel a duplicate order:

```
Select OPTION NAME: GMRC MGR Consult Management menu

Select Consult Management Option: cs Consult Service Tracking
Select Patient: CPRSPATIENT, FOUR CPRSPATIENT, FOUR 12-04-49 666438796 SC

VETERAN

Select Service/Specialty: ALL SERVICES// PULMONARY
List From Starting Date: ALL DATES // <Enter> ALL DATES
```

```
CONSULT TRACKING
                            Jun 19, 1997 09:31:19
                                                     Page:
                                                                  1 of
CPRSPATIENT, FOUR 666-43-8796
                                    2B M
                                                     DEC 4,1949 (50)
                                                                       <CAD>
  Wt.(lb): 184
6
7
8
9
10
   01/04/99
                     1287
                          CARDIOLOGY Cons
         Enter ?? for more actions
SP Select Patient FR Forward
                                      CT Complete/Update RT Results Display
CV Change View ... CX Cancel (Deny)
CV Change vic..

RC Receive DC Disconcin...

CM Add Comment
                                      MA Make Addendum PF Print Form 513
                  DC Discontinue SF Sig Findings RM Remove Med Rs:
CM Add Comment DD Detailed Display ER Edit/Resubmit
                                                        RM Remove Med Rslt
Select Consult: Quit// DC Discontinue
```

```
CHOOSE No. 1-7: 3
Responsible Clinician: CPRSPROVIDER,TWO CRS PHYSICIAN
Date/Time of Actual Activity: NOW// <Enter> (JUN 19, 1997@09:31)
Enter COMMENT:
1>Duplicate
2> <Enter>
EDIT Option: <Enter>
```

CON	CONSULT TRACKING Jun 19, 1997 09:31:58 Page: 1 of 1								
CPF	RSPATIENT, FO	UR 66	6-43-879	5	2B M	DEC	4,1949 (50)	<cad></cad>	
							Wt.(lb):	184	
	Requested	St	No.	Consult/P	rocedure Re	quest			
1	10/06/00	р	1766	EYE CLINI	C Cons				
2	09/21/00	р	1764	Electroca	rdiogram CA	RDIOLOGY Pro	oc		
3	04/25/00	dc	1713	CARDIOLOG	Y Cons				
4	03/21/00	С	1701	CARDIOLOG	Y (SOUTH) C	ons			
5	02/22/00	pr	1687	PULMONARY	(SOUTH) Co	ns			
6	01/26/00	С	1665	CARDIOLOG	Y Cons				
7	06/02/99	С	1483	VENTRICAL	LEAD IMPLA	NT CARDIOLOG	GY Proc		
8	04/29/99	С	1455	55 CARDIOLOGY (oex) CARDIOLOGY Cons					
9	02/18/99	х	1395	CARDIOLOG	Y Cons				
10	01/06/99	С	1322	MARCIA'S	SPECIALTY S	EA-MARCIA'S	SPECIALTY Con	ıs	
11	01/05/99	С	1310	*GASTROENT	EROLOGY CAR	DIOLOGY Cons	5		
12	01/04/99	C	1287	CARDIOLOG	Y Cons				
	Ente	r ??	for more	actions					
SP	Select Pati	ent	FR Forwa	ard	CT Compl	ete/Update	RT Results Di	splay	
CV	Change View	• • • •	CX Cance	el (Deny)	MA Make	Addendum	PF Print Form	n 513	
RC	Receive		DC Disco	ontinue	SF Sig F	indings	RM Remove Med	l Rslt	
SC	Schedule		CM Add (	Comment	DD Detai	led Display	ER Edit/Resub	omit	
Sel	lect Consult	: Qui	t//						

# Edit/Resubmit (ER) Action

In the case where a consult is cancelled (or denied) for clerical reasons (e.g., test results that indicate that the consult is needed), then the original submitter or an update user for the relevant service has a chance to edit the consult to include the missing information, and resubmit it. This may be done from either the alert screen, or from the consult tracking screen. In either case, the procedure is the same. See **Consult/Request Cancel/Hold** on page 151 for an example.

# Forward Request (FR) Action

Entering the Forward Request allows you to forward a consult or request to any other Service/Specialty, provided that Service/Specialty has been set up by IRM personnel to receive consults online. Thus the decision by the referring clinician regarding who should receive the consult can be modified by the receiving Service/Specialty. This action is available from both the CPRS screen and the Consult/Request Alerts screen.

If a request needs to be forwarded to a clinic that is not a sub-service of your clinic, the FR (Forward Request) action should be used. This action is discussed in the **Forward the Consult** section under **Work Flow** on page **24**.

# Make Addendum (MA) Action

The Make Addendum action allows one or more people to add their comments to the results of a consult. Contrast this to Add Comment, which adds a note to the consult before it is resulted.

There is an example of Make Addendum in the Windows section on page 84.

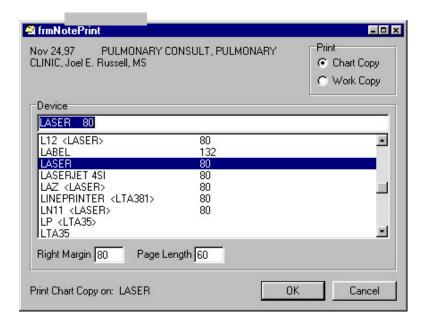
# **Print Form (PF) Action**

With the Print Form Action, you can print either a chart or working copy of the consult form. To use this action from the Windows interface, follow these steps:

From the Consults tab, select the consult you want to print.

- Select File | Print Form.
- Select the printer you want the form to come out on.
- Choose Chart Copy or Work Copy.
- Choose OK.

For an example of the Print Form option as used from the List Manager interface, see page 30.



# **Print Screen Contents (PS) Action**

This option prints the information that is on the screen. The output is not exactly a screen image, as it does not include the prompt area at the bottom of the screen. To print the entire contents of a consult request, use the Print Form (PF) action.

Example:

```
CONSULTS DETAILED DISPLAY
                            Jun 20, 1997 10:40:56
                                                        Page:
                                                                 1 of
CONSULT DETAILED DISPLAY
                                                  Consult No.: 208
CPRSPATIENT, FOUR 666-43-8796
                                   2B M
                                                     DEC 4,1949 (50)
                                                                       <CAD>
Current Inpatient/Outpatient: Inpatient
              1A
SC
PUU
Ward:
Eligibility:
                     SC VETERAN
To Service:
                    PULMONARY
From Service:
Provisional Diagnosis: Broken interface with CPRS.
Reason For Request: Checking action of DY (denying) a consult as to
          DC (discontinuing) a consult.
Status:
                    DISCONTINUED
Urgency:
                    SWITCH BED
Request Activity
                    Date/Time
                                   Ordering Clinician Entered By
ENTERED IN OE/RR
                     03/05/97 16:09 CPRSPROVIDER, TWO CPRSPROVIDER, TWO
                     //
Forwarded From MEDICINE
         Enter ?? for more actions
Select Action:Next Screen// ps
```

```
DEVICE: HOME// laser PRINTER ROOM LN11 12 PITCH
DO YOU WANT YOUR OUTPUT QUEUED? NO// (NO)
```

# Quit (Q) Action

Enter the Quit (Q) action at the last Select prompt to quit using your Consults option. Users may enter Q to Quit or ^ to Exit the option at anytime.

# Receive Request (RC) Action

Performing the Receive action on a consult changes its status from Pending to Active. This puts your clinic on record as accepting responsibility for completing the consult.

On page 26 we give an example of receiving a consult from a consult tracking screen. This is an example of receiving a consult from a notification alert:

```
You have PENDING ALERTS
           Enter "VA
                         VIEW ALERTS
                                             to review alerts
Select OE/RR Manager Menu Option: VA View Alerts
 1. CPRSPATIENT, FOUR (C8796): New Consult/Request ()
 2. CPRSPATIENT, TWO (C9600): New Consult/Request (Today)
 4. CPRSPATIENT, ONE (C3456): Consult/Request DENIED Consult
           Select from 1 to 6
           or enter ?, A I, F, P, M, R, or ^ to exit: 1
Consult/Request Alerts Feb 13, 1998 13:34:56
                                                               Page: 1 of 1
                                                                DEC 4,1949 (50) <CAD>
CPRSPATIENT, FOUR 666-43-8796
                                          2B M
                                                                           Wt.(lb): 184
                                                                                               Number
                          Procedure
          Stat Service
Date
           02/14/97 p NEUROLOGY
 187
                                                 Consult
         Enter ?? for more actions
SP Select Patient FR Forward CT Complete/Update RT Results Display CV Change View ... CX Cancel (Deny) MA Make Addendum PF Print Form 513 RC Receive DC Discontinue SF Sig Findings RM Remove Med Rslt SC Schedule CM Add Comment DD Detailed Display ER Edit/Resubmit
Select: Quit// RC Receive Request
Who received it?: CPRSPROVIDER, ONE
                                                  OC
Date/Time Actually Received: NOW// (FEB 13, 1998@13:36)
(Continued on the next page.)
```

#### Package Reference

Wt.(lb): 184

Number Date Stat Service Procedure 187 02/14/97 a NEUROLOGY Consult

Enter ?? for more actions

SP Select Patient FR Forward CT Complete/Update RT Results Display CV Change View ... CX Cancel (Deny) MA Make Addendum PF Print Form 513 RC Receive DC Discontinue SF Sig Findings RM Remove Med Rslt SC Schedule CM Add Comment DD Detailed Display ER Edit/Resubmit

Select: Quit//

## **Remove Medicine Results (RM)**

This action is used when a medicine result has been attached to a consult in error. It's use is restricted, but generally speaking, it can be done by anyone who can attach medicine results.

Attaching medicine results is done in conjunction with the Complete (CT) action in List Manager. See the section on medicine resulting on page 53 for details. In Windows, attaching and detaching medicine results are accomplished thru their own menu commands that are activated whenever medicine results are available. Fore an example of medicine results in Windows, refer to the Windows Quick Start section on page 74.

In this example, we use List Manager to remove an incorrect medicine results:

```
CONSULT TRACKING
                                                Mar 02, 2001@13:53:35 Page: 1 of
CPRSPATIENT, FOUR 666-43-8796
                                                              2B M
                                                                                           DEC 4,1949 (50) <CAD>
                                                                                                            Wt.(lb): 184
   Requested St No. Consult/Procedure Request

03/02/01 p 599 ELECTROCARDIOGRAM CARDIOLOGY Proc

02/21/01 c 597 ELECTROCARDIOGRAM CARDIOLOGY Proc

10/10/96 a 242 ELECTROCARDIOGRAM CARDIOLOGY Proc

09/08/95 c 187 CARDIOLOGY CLINIC Cons

08/14/95 pr 183 12 LEAD STAT EKG CARDIOLOGY Proc

08/14/95 c 184 12 LEAD STAT EKG CARDIAC TRANSPLANT Proc

04/29/94 pr 53 ECHO CARDIOLOGY Proc

04/29/94 pr 54 ECHO CARDIOLOGY Proc

04/29/94 pr 55 ECHO CARDIOLOGY Proc
3
6
               Enter ?? for more actions
SP Select Patient FR Forward
                                                                 CT Complete/Update RT Results Display
CV Change View ... CX Cancel (Deny) MA Make Addendum PF Print Form 513
                     DC Discontinue SF Sig Findings RM Remove Med Rslt
RC Receive
SC Schedule
                              CM Add Comment
                                                                 DD Detailed Display ER Edit/Resubmit
Select: Quit//RM
```

CHOOSE No. 1-9: 1

```
Procedure/Medicine Resulting Mar 02, 2001@11:34:48
                                                         Page:
                                                                  1 of
CPRSPATIENT, FOUR 666-43-8796
                                   2B M
                                                    DEC 4,1949 (50)
                                                                     <CAD>
Consult No.: 242
                          Associated Medicine Results
    ELECTROCARDIOGRAM
                          OCT 2,1995@10:00
                                            ABNORMAL
                          Select action or item number
DM Disassociate result
                        DR Display Result
Select Action:Quit// DM
```

```
Select item: (1-1): 1
ELECTROCARDIOGRAM OCT 2,1995@10:00 ABNORMAL

Are you sure you want to disassociate this result? NO// Y YES
```

# **Results Display (RT) Action**

Press return to continue or "^" to escape

The Results Display (RT) action allows you to review results of any consult/request for a patient.

The following is an example of the report displayed when you select the RT action:

<Enter>

# Schedule (SC) Action

The Schedule action is similar to the Receive (RC) action in that it changes the status of a consult. There is no interface with the Scheduling Package at this time. This action is intended only for annotational purposes.

Unlike the Receive action, this action sends an alert. You can use this alert to inform the requestor of the date and time of the appointment.

In the following example we change the status of a consult from "p" pending to "s" scheduled:

```
CONSULT TRACKING
                                              Jun 08, 2000 21:14:16
                                                                                                                        1□
                                                                                             Page:
                                                                                                           1 of
CPRSPATIENT, FOUR 666-43-8796
                                                                                      DEC 4,1949 (50) <CAD>
                                                          2B M
                                                                                                      Wt.(lb): 184
      Requested St
                                No. Consult/Procedure Request
   07/22/99 p 1561 EXERCISE TOLERANCE TEST CARDIOLOGY 05/20/99 p 1470 CARDIOLOGY (oex) CARDIOLOGY Cons 04/13/99 c 1437 CARDIOLOGY (oex) CARDIOLOGY Cons 04/01/99 c 1429 CARDIOLOGY (oex) CARDIOLOGY Cons 02/26/99 c 1406 CARDIOLOGY Cons 01/05/99 c 1312 CARDIOLOGY Cons 01/04/99 c 1290 *CARDIOLOGY Cons 12/18/98 c 1252 CARDIOLOGY Cons 12/14/98 c 1234 CARDIOLOGY Cons
    07/22/99 p
05/20/99 p
                                 1561 EXERCISE TOLERANCE TEST CARDIOLOGY Proc
3
7
8
               Enter ?? for more actions
SP Select Patient FR Forward
                                                             CT Complete/Update RT Results Display
                             CX Cancel (Deny)
                                                            MA Make Addendum PF Print Form 513
SF Sig Findings RM Remove Med Rslt
CV Change View ...
                    DC Discontinue
CM Add Comment
RC Receive
SC Schedule
                                                             DD Detailed Display ER Edit/Resubmit
Select: Quit//SC Schedule
```

```
CHOOSE No. 1-9: 2
Who scheduled it?: CPRSPROVIDER,ONE CPRSPROVIDER,ONE OC PHYSICIAN
Enter COMMENT...
1>9:30 pm Jun 23 in Bldg 4
2> <Enter>
EDIT Option: <Enter>
Do You Wish To Send An Alert With This Comment? N// Y YES
Send Alert To Requesting Provider CPRSPROVIDER,THREE? N// Y YES
Send Alert to: <Enter>
Processing Alerts...
```

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CO	NSULT TRACKI	NG		Jun 08,	2000 2	21:16:45	Pa	age:	1	of	1	
CP:	RSPATIENT, FO	UR 6	66-43-879	6	2B M		DEC 4,	1949	(50)	<	CAD>	
									Wt.(]	lb):	200	
	Requested	St	No.	Consult/Pr	ocedur	re Request						
1	07/22/99	p	1561	EXERCISE T	OLERAN	NCE TEST CARI	DIOLOGY	Proc	:			
2	05/20/99	S	1470	CARDIOLOGY	(oex)	CARDIOLOGY	Cons					
3	04/13/99	С	1437	CARDIOLOGY	(oex)	CARDIOLOGY	Cons					
4	04/01/99	C	1429	CARDIOLOGY	(oex)	CARDIOLOGY	Cons					
5	02/26/99	C	1406	CARDIOLOGY	Cons							
6	01/05/99	С	1312	CARDIOLOGY	Cons							
7	01/04/99	С	1290	*CARDIOLOGY	Cons							
8	12/18/98	С	1252	CARDIOLOGY	Cons							
9	12/14/98	С	1234	CARDIOLOGY	Cons							
	Ente	r ??	for more	actions								
SP	Select Pati	ent	FR Forw	ard	CT C	Complete/Upda	ate RT	Resu	ılts I	Disp	lay	
CV	Change View		CX Canc	el (Deny)	MA N	Make Addendur	n PF	Prin	nt For	cm 5	13	
RC	Receive		DC Disc	ontinue	SF S	Sig Findings	RM	Remo	ve Me	ed R	slt	
SC	Schedule		CM Add	Comment	DD I	Detailed Disp	play ER	Edit	:/Resi	ıbmi	t	
Se	lect: Quit//											

# **Select New Patient (SP) Action**

This option allows you to change patients at any time.

## Example:

```
Select Patient: CPRSPATIENT, THREE 01-01-51 666123456 YES SC VETERAN

Select Service/Specialty: ALL SERVICES// PULMONARY
List From Starting Date: ALL DATES // <Enter> ALL DATES
```

COL	CONSULT TRACKING			20, 1997 14:	44:38	Page:	1 of 1	
CPF	CPRSPATIENT, THREE		666	666-12-3456 2B			960 (40)	<ad></ad>
						Wt	.(lb): 184	
	Requested	St	No. Consu	lt/Procedure	Request			
1	09/14/98	C	1163 PULMO	NARY Cons				
2	09/09/98	dc	1162 PULMO	NARY Cons				
3	07/14/98	dc	1116 PULMO	NARY Cons				
4	07/14/98	С	1114 *CARDI	OLOGY PULMONA	RY Cons			

SP	Select Patient	FR Forward	CT Complete/Update RT Results Display	Į
CV	Change View	CX Cancel (Deny)	MA Make Addendum PF Print Form 513	
RC	Receive	DC Discontinue	SF Sig Findings RM Remove Med Rslt	_
SC	Schedule	CM Add Comment	DD Detailed Display ER Edit/Resubmit	
Se	lect: Ouit//			

# Significant Findings (SF) Action

The Significant Findings action allows a clinic or service to append a significant findings flag onto a consult (whether completed or not). The action prompts you to enter a comment and sends an alert either at the time the SF action is taken or when the consult is complete. An asterisk is placed next to the consults that have a Significant Findings value of Y.

In this example we add a significant finding to an already completed consult:

```
May 01, 1998 14:51:35
CONSULT TRACKING
                                                                                                                                                                        1 of
                                                                         666-12-3456
                                                                                                                                                  MAR 3,1960 (40)
CPRSPATIENT, THREE
                                                                                                            2B
                                                                                                                                                                                                 <AD>
     Requested St No. Consult/Procedure Request
09/21/00 p 1764 Electrocardiogram CARDIOLOGY Proc
04/25/00 c 1713 CARDIOLOGY Cons
01/26/00 c 1665 CARDIOLOGY Cons
06/02/99 c 1483 VENTRICAL LEAD IMPLANT CARDIOLOGY Proc
04/29/99 c 1455 CARDIOLOGY (oex) CARDIOLOGY Cons
02/18/99 x 1395 CARDIOLOGY Cons
01/05/99 c 1310 *GASTROENTEROLOGY CARDIOLOGY Cons
01/04/99 c 1287 CARDIOLOGY Cons
12/18/98 c 1249 CARDIOLOGY Cons
12/18/98 c 1249 CARDIOLOGY Cons
01/09/98 c 1184 CARDIOLOGY Cons
08/24/98 dc 1144 CARDIOLOGY Cons
08/24/98 dc 1113 *CARDIOLOGY Cons
Enter ?? for more actions
                                                                                                                                                              Wt.(lb): 184
3
6
8
10 10/09/98
11
12
                     Enter ?? for more actions
SP Select Patient FR Forward
                                                                                                 CT Complete/Update RT Results Display
CV Change View ... CX Cancel (Deny) MA Make Addendum PF Print Form 513 RC Receive DC Discontinue SF Sig Findings RM Remove Med Rslt SC Schedule CM Add Comment DD Detailed Display ER Edit/Resubmit
Select: Next Screen// SF Sig Findings
```

```
CHOOSE No. 1-17: 1

Current Significant Findings = not entered yet

Are there significant findings? (Y/N/U): unknown// yes
Enter COMMENT:
   1>Pt experiencing 60% loss of breathing efficiency.
   2>
EDIT Option:
Alert will be sent to Requesting Provider: CPRSPROVIDER,TWO
Send Alert to: CPRSPROVIDER,TWO added to the list.
And Send Alert to: CPRSPROVDER,THREE already in the list.
And Send Alert to:
Processing Alerts...
```

CONSULT TRACKING	May 01, 1998 14:52:28 Page: 1 of 2
CPRSPATIENT, THREE	666-12-3456 2B MAR 3,1960 (40) <ad></ad>
	Wt.(lb): 184
Requested St	No. Consult/Procedure Request
1 09/21/00 p	1764 *Electrocardiogram CARDIOLOGY Proc
2 04/25/00 c	1713 CARDIOLOGY Cons
3 01/26/00 c	1665 CARDIOLOGY Cons
4 06/02/99 c	1483 VENTRICAL LEAD IMPLANT CARDIOLOGY Proc
5 04/29/99 c	1455 CARDIOLOGY (oex) CARDIOLOGY Cons
6 02/18/99 x	1395 CARDIOLOGY Cons
7 01/05/99 c	1310 *GASTROENTEROLOGY CARDIOLOGY Cons
8 01/04/99 c	1287 CARDIOLOGY Cons
9 12/18/98 c	1249 CARDIOLOGY Cons
10 10/09/98 c	1184 CARDIOLOGY Cons
11 08/24/98 dc	1144 CARDIOLOGY Cons
12 07/13/98 c	1113 *CARDIOLOGY Cons
	for more actions
SP Select Patient	FR Forward CT Complete/Update RT Results Display
CV Change View	CX Cancel (Deny) MA Make Addendum PF Print Form 513
RC Receive	DC Discontinue SF Sig Findings RM Remove Med Rslt
SC Schedule	CM Add Comment DD Detailed Display ER Edit/Resubmit
Select: Next Scree	n//

### **Notifications about Consults and Requests**

During your session, you may notice:

```
You have PENDING ALERTS
Enter "VA VIEW ALERTS to review alerts
Select Clinician Menu Option:
```

This appears on the screen before each prompt. You may enter VA at any menu prompt in which this message appears to view patient information related to pending notifications.

There are five notifications relating to consults:

OE/RR Notifications	Notification Number	Recipients
New Service Consult/Request	27	Service Users plus Attention
Consult/Request Resolution	23	Ordering Provider on Complete
Consult/Request Cancel/Hold	30	Ordering Provider and others as determined by who is taking the action. The NOTIFY ON DC field in file 123.5 affects who gets the alert on DC.
Consult/Request Update	63	Determined by the individual taking the associated action.*
Order(s) Require Electronic Signature	5	Determined by CPRS

The purpose of these notifications is to allow you to take appropriate follow-up action. This might involve merely reading new information, or it might involve several actions on your part such as scheduling an appointment, signing a consult, resubmission, etc.

#### \*NOTE:

- When a comment is added by an UPDATE USER, the alert will only go to the ordering provider (unless additional alert recipients are added).
- When a comment is added by a SERVICE TEAM member, the alert will only go to the ordering provider (unless additional alert recipients are added).
- Any additional recipients added during the Add Comment Action will receive the alert, even if a selected recipient has the alert Disabled.

To initiate the follow-up action, enter VA at the prompt after the view alerts message. In the following example, a user follows up a notification by signing an order:

```
You have PENDING ALERTS
Enter "VA VIEW ALERTS to review alerts

Select CPRS Manager Menu Option: VA View Alerts

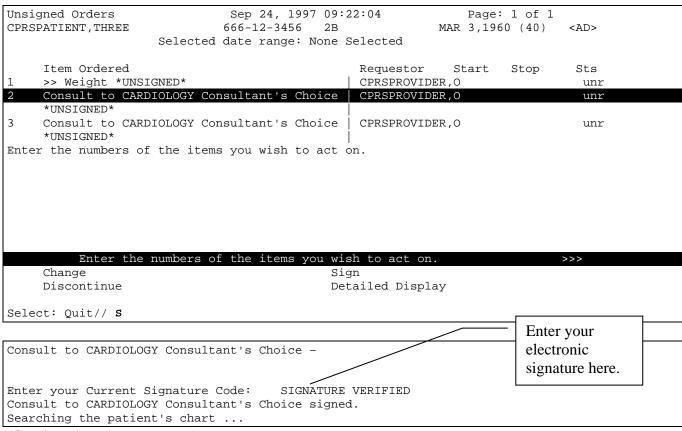
1. CPRSPATIENT, ONE (C4723): New order(s) placed.
2. CPRSPATIENT, THREE (C3456): Consult/Request DENIED To Service: PODIATRY
3. CPRSPATIENT, ONE (C4723): Order requires electronic signature.

Select from 1 to 3

or enter ?, A I, F, P, M, R, or ^ to exit
or RETURN to continue: 3

Processing alert: CPRSPATIENT, ONE (C4723): Order requires electronic signature.
Searching the patient's chart ...
```

Unsigned Orders CPRSPATIENT,THREE	Sep 24, 1997 09:2 666-12-3456 2B	22:04 Page: 1 of 1 MAR 3,1960 (40)	
•	ected date range: None S	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	
Item Ordered		Requestor Start Stop	ts
1 >> Weight *UNSIGNED	*	CPRSPROVIDER,O	unr
	GY Consultant's Choice	CPRSPROVIDER,O	unr
3 Consult to CARDIOLO *UNSIGNED*	GY Consultant's Choice	CPRSPROVIDER,O	unr
Enter the numbers of the	items you wish to act of	on.	
Enter the numb	ers of the items you wis	sh to agt on	>>>
+ Next Screen	ers of the Items you wis Previous Screen		///
Next Beleen	rievious bereen	i g gaic	
Select: Quit// 2			



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#### Package Reference

Select: Quit//

Sep 24, 1997 09:22:04 Unsigned Orders Page: 1 of 1 666-12-3456 CPRSPATIENT, THREE 2B MAR 3,1960 (40) <AD> Selected date range: None Selected Item Ordered Requestor Start Stop ts >> Weight \*UNSIGNED\* | CPRSPROVIDER,O unr Consult to CARDIOLOGY Consultant's Choice | CPRSPROVIDER, O unr \*UNSIGNED\* Enter the numbers of the items you wish to act on. Enter the numbers of the items you wish to act on. Next Screen - Previous Screen Q Quit

#### **Enabling Notifications**

In many cases Notifications will not come to you automatically. To find out what Notifications you should be getting, you can run the Show Me the Notifications I Can Receive option from the Notifications Management Menu. If this report shows any notifications you want to receive that are disabled, you may enable them with the Enable/Disable My Notifications option.

In this example we run the Show Me the Notifications I Can Receive report and then enable Consult/Request Cancel/Hold, Consult/Request Resolution, and New Service Consult/Request (Notice that Order(s) Require Electronic Signature is already on):

```
Select Notification Mgmt Menu Option: ?
         Enable/Disable My Notifications
         Erase All of My Notifications
         Set Notification Display Sort Method (GUI)
  3
         Send me a MailMan bulletin for Flagged Orders
         Show Me the Notifications I Can Receive
         Set Surrogate to Receive My Notifications
Enter ?? for more options, ??? for brief descriptions, ?OPTION for help text.
Select Notification Mgmt Menu Option: 5 Show Me the Notifications I Can Receive
Would you like help understanding the list of notifications? No// Y (Yes)
DEVICE: HOME// <Enter> VAX
            Notification List Help Message
The delivery of notifications as alerts is determined from values set for:
Users, OE/RR Teams, Service/Sections, Inpatient Locations,
Hospital Divisions, Computer System and Order Entry/Results Reporting.
Possible values include 'Enabled', 'Disabled' and 'Mandatory'. These values
indicate a User's, OE/RR Team's, Service's, Location's, Division's, System's
and OERR's desire for the notification to be 'Enabled' (sent under most
conditions), 'Disabled' (not sent), or 'Mandatory' (almost always sent.)
All values, except the OERR (Order Entry) value, can be set by IRM
or Clinical Coordinators. Individual users can set 'Enabled/Disabled/Mandatory'
values for each specific notification via the 'Enable/Disable My Notifications'
option under the Personal Preferences and Notification Mgmt Menu option menus.
'ON' indicates the user will receive the notification under normal conditions.
'OFF' indicates the user normally will not receive the notification.
Notification recipient determination can also be influenced by patient
location (inpatients only.) This list does not consider patient location
when calculating the ON/OFF value for a notification.
          - End of Report -
Press RETURN to continue: <Enter>
This will take a moment or two, please stand by......
DEVICE: HOME// <Enter> VAX
            Notification List for CPRSPROVIDER, ONE
                                                           Page: 1
Notification
                                ON/OFF For This User and Why
.....
```

ABNORMAL IMAGING RESULTS	ON	OERR value is Mandatory
ABNORMAL LAB RESULT (INFO)	ON	User value is Mandatory
ABNORMAL LAB RESULTS (ACTION)	OFF	OERR value is Disabled
ADMISSION	ON	OERR value is Enabled
CONSULT/REQUEST CANCEL/HOLD	ON	User value is Mandatory
CONSULT/REQUEST RESOLUTION	ON	User value is Mandatory
CONSULT/REQUEST UPDATED	OFF	OERR value is Disabled
CRITICAL LAB RESULT (INFO)	ON	OERR value is Mandatory
CRITICAL LAB RESULTS (ACTION)	ON	OERR value is Mandatory
DC ORDER	OFF	OERR value is Disabled
DECEASED PATIENT	ON	OERR value is Enabled
DISCHARGE	OFF	OERR value is Disabled
DNR EXPIRING	OFF	OERR value is Disabled
ERROR MESSAGE	OFF	OERR value is Disabled
FLAG ORDER FOR CLARIFICATION	ON	OERR value is Enabled
FLAGGED OI EXPIRING - INPT	OFF	OERR value is Disabled
FLAGGED OI EXPIRING - OUTPT	OFF	OERR value is Disabled
FLAGGED OI ORDER - INPT	OFF	OERR value is Disabled
FLAGGED OI ORDER - OUTPT	ON	System value is Enabled
FLAGGED OI RESULTS - INPT	OFF	OERR value is Disabled
FLAGGED OI RESULTS - OUTPT	OFF	OERR value is Disabled
FOOD/DRUG INTERACTION	OFF	OERR value is Disabled
FREE TEXT	OFF	OERR value is Disabled
IMAGING PATIENT EXAMINED	OFF	User value is Disabled
IMAGING REQUEST CANCEL/HELD	ON	OERR value is Enabled
IMAGING RESULTS	OFF	User value is Disabled
IMAGING RESULTS AMENDED	OFF	OERR value is Disabled
LAB ORDER CANCELED	OFF	OERR value is Disabled
LAB RESULTS	OFF	OERR value is Disabled
MEDICATIONS EXPIRING	OFF	OERR value is Disabled
NEW ORDER	OFF	OERR value is Disabled
NEW SERVICE CONSULT/REQUEST	ON	User value is Mandatory
NPO DIET MORE THAN 72 HRS	OFF	OERR value is Disabled
ORDER CHECK	OFF	OERR value is Disabled
ORDER REQUIRES CHART SIGNATURE	ON	OERR value is Mandatory
ORDER REQUIRES CO-SIGNATURE	OFF	OERR value is Disabled
ORDER REQUIRES ELEC SIGNATURE	ON	OERR value is Mandatory
ORDERER-FLAGGED RESULTS	OFF	OERR value is Disabled
SERVICE ORDER REQ CHART SIGN	ON	OERR value is Mandatory
STAT IMAGING REQUEST	OFF	OERR value is Disabled
STAT ORDER	OFF	OERR value is Disabled
STAT RESULTS	OFF	OERR value is Disabled
TRANSFER FROM PSYCHIATRY	OFF	OERR value is Disabled
UNSCHEDULED VISIT	ON	OERR value is Enabled
UNVERIFIED MEDICATION ORDER	OFF	OERR value is Disabled
UNVERIFIED ORDER	OFF	OERR value is Disabled
URGENT IMAGING REQUEST	OFF	OERR value is Disabled
- End of Report -		

```
Select Notification Mgmt Menu Option: 1 Enable/Disable My Notifications
                      Enable/Disable My Notifications
----- Setting for User: CPRSPROVIDER,ONE ------
Select Notification: cons
    1 CONSULT/REQUEST CANCEL/HOLD
    2 CONSULT/REQUEST RESOLUTION
    3 CONSULT/REQUEST UPDATED
CHOOSE 1-3: 3 CONSULT/REQUEST UPDATED
Are you adding CONSULT/REQUEST UPDATED as a new Notification? Yes// <Enter> YES
Notification: CONSULT/REQUEST UPDATED// <Enter> CONSULT/REQUEST UPDATED CONSULT/REQUEST
UPDATED
Value: ?
Code indicating processing flag for the entity and notification.
    Select one of the following:
                 Mandatory
         E
                 Enabled
                 Disabled
         D
Value: Enabled
Select Notification: <Enter>
Select Notification Mgmt Menu Option:
```

### **New Service Consult/Request**

This notification is triggered by the Consults package when a new consult has been requested by a user.

In the following example, the system displays three notifications for new Consults:

```
CPRSPATIE (C5377): New consult Neuro (Stat)
CPRSPATIE (C3456): New consult CAR (Routine)
CPRSPATIE (C6572): New consult PLM (Routine)
Enter "VA VIEW ALERTS to review alerts

Select Systems Manager Menu Option:
```

As a follow-up action, the system displays the consult in a Consult/Tracking screen so that the recipient can take appropriate action. To initiate the follow-up action, enter VA at the prompt and select the notification you want to follow-up on. After selecting this notification from the View Alerts menu, the system deletes the notification.

In the following example, a new consult is first examined and then a receive action is performed:

```
CONSULTS DETAILED DISPLAY Dec 19, 1997 08:12:04 Page: 1 of 5

CONSULT DETAILED DISPLAY Consult No.: 731

TRAT, JACK 234-24-2342 DOB: (74) Wt. (1b): No Entry
```

#### Package Reference

Current Inpatient/Outpatient: Inpatient

Ward: 1A

To Service: CARDIOLOGY

From Service: 1A

Consult Type: EKG Portable Provisional Diagnosis: Cardiomyopathy

Reason For Request: Rule out alternate diagnosis

Status: PENDING

Service is to be rendered on an INPATIENT basis

ATTENTION: CPRSPROVIDER, SEVEN

Place: Bedside Urgency: Stat

Request Activity Date/Time Ordering Clinician Entered By

CPRS RELEASED ORDER 12/16/97 15:52 CPRSPROVIDER, SEVEN CPRSPROVIDER, SEVEN

Enter ?? for more actions

Select Action: Next Screen// Q Q

Wt.(lb): 184 Number

Enter ?? for more actions

SP Select Patient FR Forward CT Complete/Update RT Results Display CV Change View ... CX Cancel (Deny) MA Make Addendum PF Print Form 513 RC Receive DC Discontinue SF Sig Findings RM Remove Med Rslt SC Schedule CM Add Comment DD Detailed Display ER Edit/Resubmit

Select Action: Quit// RC Receive

Who received it?: CPRSPROVIDER, SEVEN SC

Date/Time Actually Received: NOW// (DEC 19, 1997 @ 08:12)

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Wt.(lb): 184 Number

Date St Service Procedure

1 12/16/97 a CARDIOLOGY EKG Portable

Enter ?? for more actions

SP Select Patient FR Forward CT Complete/Update RT Results Display CV Change View ... CX Cancel (Deny) MA Make Addendum PF Print Form 513 RC Receive DC Discontinue SF Sig Findings ER Edit/Resubmit

SC Schedule CM Add Comment DD Detailed Display

Select Action: Quit// <Enter> QUIT

Continue Processing ALERTS ? Y//

## **Consult/Request Resolution**

This notification is triggered by the Consults package when it determines that a consult is complete.

In the following example, the originating provider receives notifications that consults are complete:

```
CPRSPATIE (C3456): Completed Consult CAR HOLTER

CPRSPATIE (C1996): *Completed Consult CAR

CPRSPATIE (C8910): Completed Consult PSURG

Enter "VA VIEW ALERTS to review alerts

Select Systems Manager Menu Option:
```

As a follow-up action, the system displays the Consult/Request and results/report. To initiate the follow-up action, enter VA at the prompt and select the notification you want to follow-up on. After viewing, the system deletes the notification.

Notice the asterisk on the second notification. This means that there are significant findings for that consult.

### **Consult/Request Updated**

This alert is triggered when a comment is added to consult or the consult is scheduled. Comments may be added either with the Add Comment (CM) action or the Schedule (SC) action. The text of the alert is altered depending on which one of these actions initiated the alert as follows:

Adding a Comment #63 "Comment Added to Consult: . . . "
Scheduling #63 "Scheduled Consult: . . . "

As a follow-up action, the system displays the consult with comments. If appropriate, the clinician may write an additional comment or take other actions as needed.

- When a comment is added by an UPDATE USER, the alert will only go to the ordering provider (unless additional alert recipients are added).
- When a comment is added by a SERVICE TEAM member, the alert will only go to the ordering provider (unless additional alert recipients are added).
- Any additional recipients added during the Add Comment action will receive the alert, even if a selected recipient has the alert Disabled.

This alert is also used by the Healthcare Claims Processing System (HCPS) to notify VA providers the status of a patient who has been referred to a Non-VA Care provider or facility. When an HCPS user enters a comment in RAS, CPRS is updated. The HCPS user might not be a user in VistA; a proxy user will display for 'Responsible Person' and 'Entered By' in the CPRS, as shown below:

Facility Activity	Date/Time/Zone	Responsible Person	Entered By		
ADDED COMMENT	08/08/14 22:31 (entered) 08/08/14 22:40	HCPS,APPLICATION	HCPS,APPLICATION		
Author: DOE, JOHN					

### **Consult/Request Cancel/Hold**

This notification is triggered from the Consults package when a Consult request is cancelled, discontinued, or put on hold.

In the following example, a user receives notification of a discontinued and a denied consult:

```
CPRSPATIE (C2342): Cancelled consult CAR

CPRSPATIE (C9876): Discontinued Consult MEDICINE

CPRSPATIE (C3456): Cancelled consult POD

Enter "VA VIEW ALERTS to review alerts

Select Systems Manager Menu Option:
```

As a follow-up action, the system displays consult with comments. If appropriate, the submitter may resubmit the consult based on this new information. To initiate the follow-up action, enter VA at the prompt and select the notification you want to follow-up on. After viewing, the notification is deleted by the system.

In the following example, a cancelled order is edited and resubmitted:

```
You have PENDING ALERTS
Enter "VA VIEW ALERTS to review alerts

Select Consult Service Tracking Option: VA View Alerts

1. CPRSPATIE (C2342): Cancelled consult to PLM
2. CPRSPATIE (C3456): Discontinued consult to CAR
3. CPRSPATIE (C2432): Completed Consult CAR
Select from 1 to 3
or enter ?, A I, F, P, M, R, or ^ to exit
or RETURN to continue: 1

Processing alert: BAXTER,NA (B8840): Cancelled consult PLM
```

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```
Feb 26, 1999 15:58:08
Edit Consult Order
                                              Page: 1 of
Edit Consult for Patient CPRSPATIENT, EIGHT Consult Number: 1336
Sending Provider: CPRSPROVIDER, SEVEN
 Field Name
                      Current Field Contents
 CURRENT STATUS: (Not Editable): CANCELLED
 CANCELLED BY (Not Editable): CPRSPROVIDER, SEVEN
 CANCELLED COMMENT (Not Editable):
Testing edit.
______
 CANCELLED BY (Not Editable): CPRSPROVIDER, SEVEN
 CANCELLED COMMENT (Not Editable):
Testing edit/resubmit.
______
SENDING PROVIDER (Not Editable): CPRSPROVIDER, SEVEN
REQUEST TYPE (Not Editable): Consult
______
1 TO SERVICE: PULMONARY
2 PROCEDURE:
3 Performed as INPT OR OUTPT: Outpatient
   Enter ?? for more actions
ED Edit A Field
                  RS ReSubmit Consult
Select Action: Next Screen// <Enter>
```

```
Feb 26, 1999 16:01:18
Edit Consult Order
                                                                Page: 2 of
                                                                                  2\square
Edit Consult for Patient CPRSPATIENT, EIGHT Consult Number: 1336
Sending Provider: CPRSPROVIDER, SEVEN
+ Field Name
                               Current Field Contents
4 URGENCY: Routine
5 PLACE OF CONSULTATION:
6 ATTENTION (CONSULTANT):
7 PROVISIONAL DIAGNOSIS:
8 REASON FOR REQUEST:
Pt has trouble breathing.
9 COMMENT(S): (Add Only)
ADDED COMMENT (Not Editable) Entered: Jan 11, 1999 BY: CPRSPROVIDER, SEVEN
Testing, more testing.
         Enter ?? for more actions
ED Edit A Field
                           RS ReSubmit Consult
Select Item/Action:Quit// 7
```

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#### Package Reference

Feb 02, 1999 10:44:38 Edit Consult Order Page: 2 of 2 Edit Consult for Patient CPRSPATIENT, NINE Consult Number: 1366 Sending Provider: CPRSPROVIDER, SEVEN + Field Name Current Field Contents 8 REASON FOR REQUEST: Pt is having chest pains. 9 COMMENT(S): (Add Only) Enter ?? for more actions ED Edit A Field RS ReSubmit Consult Select Item/Action:Quit// ED Edit A Field

Select the fields to edit: 7
Provisional Diagnosis: Angina

Edit Consult Order Feb 26, 1999 16:06:16 Page:  $2\square$ 2 of Edit Consult for Patient CPRSPATIENT, EIGHT Consult Number: 1336 Sending Provider: CPRSPROVIDER, SEVEN + Field Name Current Field Contents 4 URGENCY: Routine 5 PLACE OF CONSULTATION: 6 ATTENTION (CONSULTANT): 7 PROVISIONAL DIAGNOSIS: Angina 8 REASON FOR REQUEST: Pt has trouble breathing. 9 COMMENT(S): (Add Only) ADDED COMMENT (Not Editable) Entered: Jan 11, 1999 BY: CPRSPROVIDER, TWO Testing, more testing. Enter ?? for more actions ED Edit A Field RS ReSubmit Consult

Select Action: Quit// **<Enter>** (Continued on the next page.)

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QUIT

#### Package Reference

```
This Consult Has Not Been Resubmitted!!

Resubmit Or All Edits Will Be Lost!!

Do you wish to resubmit now? ? YES// Y YES

Resubmitting Consult ... One moment please ...

Filing Tracking Data...

1. CPRSPATIE (C3456): Discontinued consult to CAR
2. CPRSPATIE (C2432): Completed Consult CAR

Select from 1 to 2

or enter ?, A I, F, P, M, R, or ^ to exit
or RETURN to continue:
```

# **Special Considerations for Discontinued Orders**

When an order is Discontinued, who gets the notification depends on the source of the discontinuation. This is dependent on the NOTIFY ON DC field in file 123.5 for the service to which the consult was directed. This field is set by the Set up Consult Services (SS) command of the Consult Management Option.

### **Consult/Request Has an Added Comment**

If a comment is added to a consult by someone in the receiving service, that person is prompted to send notification to the originator of the consult and to any other persons. Other recipients of this notification are controlled as a New Service Consult.

In the following example, a clinician in the Surgery service has added a comment:

```
SIMPSON,H (S9999): Comment Added to Consult CARDIOLOGY
Enter "VA VIEW ALERTS to review alerts

Select Consult Management Option:
```

The follow-up action is to display the orders containing the comments so that you can read them.

- When a comment is added by an UPDATE USER, the alert will only go to the ordering provider (unless additional alert recipients are added).
- When a comment is added by a SERVICE TEAM member, the alert will only go to the ordering provider (unless additional alert recipients are added).

### **Order(s) Require Electronic Signature**

If you do not sign a consult at the time you initiate it, the CPRS triggers a notification reminding you of the need for an electronic signature.

In the following example, three notifications are presented for Consults that need an electronic signature:

```
CPRSPATIE (C3456): Order requires electronic signature.

CPRSPATIE (C4723): Order requires electronic signature.

CPRSPATIE (C3234): Order requires electronic signature.

Enter "VA VIEW ALERTS to review alerts

Select Systems Manager Menu Option:
```

The follow-up action is to display the orders requiring electronic signature in a CPRS screen so that you can use the Sign action. The system deletes the notification after you have signed the order.

### **Significant Findings for a Consult**

If the status of the Significant Findings Flag is changed in any way, an alert is sent by the Consults package. As far as the recipients and delivery, this notification is treated like a Consult/Request Resolution.

This alert may be delayed, at the user's option, until the consult is complete. In the example that follows, three significant findings notifications are present. One for a completed consult, one for a pending consult, and one for the Significant Findings Flag being turned off on a completed consult:

```
CPRSPATIE (C3456): Sig Findings for consult CAR
CPRSPATIE (C6572): Sig Findings for consult CAR
CPRSPATIE (C1432): No Sig Findings for consult PLM
Enter "VA VIEW ALERTS to review alerts

Select Systems Manager Menu Option:
```

The follow-up action is to display the orders that have had a change in the Significant Findings Flag in the CPRS screen so that you can examine them.

**Glossary** 

**Action** An action in Consults can be selected throughout

processing to 1) control screen movement, 2) add new

consult orders, or 3) process existing orders.

**Consult** Referral of a patient by the primary care physician to

another hospital service/ specialty, to obtain a medical opinion based on patient evaluation and completion of any procedures, modalities, or treatments the consulting specialist deems necessary to render a medical opinion.

In the case of Inter-Facility Consults (IFC, see below) the

Consulting Site In the case of Inter-Facility Consults (IFC, see below) the

VA facility that originates the consult.

**Discontinued Orders** Orders that are discontinued or cancelled.

**HCPS** The Healthcare Claims Processing System is a centralized,

automated system that will support the management of

purchased care referrals/authorizations.

**IFC** Inter-Facility Consults permits the transmitting of consults

and related information between Department of Veterans Affairs facilities. Consult requests are made to remote facilities because the needed service is not locally available or for patient convenience. Although the Consult Package is utilized in the hospital settings, Consult requests between

facilities have been done manually in the past.

**Order** A request for a consult (service/sub-specialty evaluation) or

procedure (Electrocardiogram) to be completed for a

patient.

**Order Cancellation** A request to stop performance of a consult/procedure

request; the order may be edited and reactivated

**Order Discontinuation** A request to stop (discontinue) performance of a

consult/procedure request.

**Procedure Request** Any procedure (EKG, Stress Test, etc.) which may be

ordered from another service/ specialty without first

requiring formal consultation.

**RAS** Referral and Authorization System; see HCPS.

**Request** See Procedure Request.

**Requestor** This is the health care provider (e. g., the

physician/clinician) who requests the order to be done.

**Result** A consequence of an order. Refers to evaluation or status

results. When you use the Complete Request (CT) action on a consult or request, you are transferred to TIU to enter

the results.

**Resulting Site** In the case of Inter-Facility Consults (IFC, see above) the

remote site that performs the consult and enters the results.

**Screen Context** This term refers to the particular selection of orders

displayed on the screen (e. g., Medicine consults for the

patient Ralph Jones).

**Service** A clinical or administrative specialty (or department)

within a Medical Center.

**Status Result** A result that indicates the processing state of an order; for

example, a Pharmacy TPN Consult order may be

discontinued (dc) or completed (c).

**Status Symbols** Codes used in order entry and Consults displays to

designate the status of the order.

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