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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

Introduction

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**

#### General

Consults now uses the List Manager (LM) interface.

Consults can also be accessed through Windows NT, Windows 95, or a later Microsoft Windows version with the CPRS GUI Interface.

Consult ordering is managed by CPRS Order Entry from within the CPRS Order tab. This includes Quick 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 TIU Consults **Notifications** File **Package** Area Inter-HL7 Facility Clinicians Messages Consults Order **CPRS** Checking

#### Introduction

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 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 Orientation**

The Introduction, Package Orientation, and Package Management sections of this manual provide general package information about the Consults package. The Package Operation section of this manual is specific to Application Coordinators, CPRS users, and Consults users.

Anyone using the Consults package needs to know how to log on, navigate among menus and options, and respond to prompts for data entry. If necessary ask your Application Coordinator or an IRMS staff member to help you in obtaining material on these topics. VISTA instruction manuals, such as the DHCP User's Guide to Computing, provide basic information about general computing and your computer system.

# Windows Interface

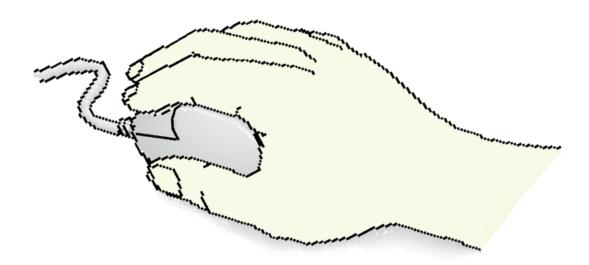
The CPRS graphical interface (GUI) supports entry and tracking of consults through the Consults tab.

#### **User Introduction to GUI**

A Graphical User Interface has two modes of operation, keyboard and pointer device. You will find some things easier and more convenient to do with the pointer device and other things easier to do with the keyboard. In Windows, there is no one correct way to do things.

#### **Pointer Device**

The most common pointer device is the mouse. Other less commonly used pointer devices are the track ball, light pen, and graphics tablet. We concentrate on mouse usage in this manual and use the term mouse interchangeably with the term pointer device.



It is important to hold the mouse correctly. Do this by resting the palm of your hand on the large part and your fingers on the buttons as shown in the illustration below.

Your right index finger should be on the leftmost button on the mouse. Whenever you are supposed to click something, it refers to this finger and this button. (If you are left-handed, ask your ADPAC to show you how to change the system settings to accommodate you.)

Occasionally, the rightmost mouse button needs to be clicked. If this is the case we say "right click" in the instructions.

If you are nervous about using the mouse, practice with it. Here is a practical suggestion: Most workstations have help files that are provided by the equipment manufacturer to assist you in learning about the machine. Practice browsing through these files with the mouse. Have your ADPAC show you how to access these features on your machine.

## **Keyboard Input**

In the CPRS GUI program, most functions that can be accomplished with the pointer device or mouse can also be accomplished with the keyboard. The table below summarizes functions you may want to do with the keyboard or pointer device:

Function	Keyboard	Mouse
Select a pane (sub-window)	Tab	Point and Click
Select a button	Tab	
Press a button	Enter	Point and Click
Select the previous button	Shift and Tab	Point and Click
Select a field	Arrow Keys	Point and Click
Select a range of characters	Shift and Arrow	Press and Drag
Select a menu option	Alt and code	Point and Click
Select a tab	Alt+V then code	Point and Click

#### **Explanations:**

**Select a pane** puts the focus in the sub-window of your choice. If you press the Tab key, the cursor shifts from one pane to another. This is equivalent to pointing to a pane with the mouse and clicking once.

**Select a button;** in Windows dialogs containing buttons, pressing the Tab moves the highlight from one button to the next. There is no equivalent mouse action.

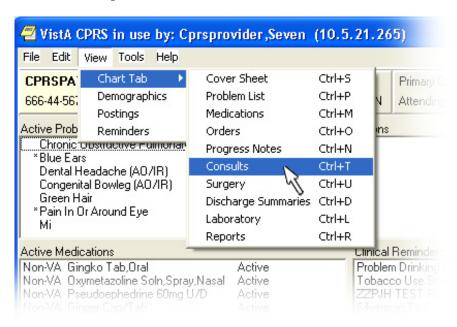
**Press a button** by hitting the Enter key. With this action you activate whatever button is currently highlighted. Selecting a button with the Tab key and then pressing Enter are equivalent to pointing at the button with the mouse and clicking.

**Select the previous button** is accomplished by holding down the Shift key while pressing the Tab key.

**Select a field** is accomplished by using the Up or Down arrow keys. If you use the mouse, just click in the field.

**Select a range of characters** is accomplished by holding the Shift key down while using the Arrow keys. You can achieve the same effect by holding the left mouse button down while moving (dragging) the mouse.

**Select a menu option** by holding the Alt key down while pressing the underlined letter in the menu name. Once the menu is open, press the underlined key alone to activate your chosen menu option.



In the example above, the View the Chart Tab Consults can be accomplished one of three ways:

Menu access from the keyboard by pressing Alt and V, then T, then T again.

With a mouse, the same thing is accomplished by clicking on View, then pointing to Chart Tab, then pointing to Consults and clicking again.

Using the key combination listed in the menu. This is called a hotkey. To use it, press Ctrl and T at the same time.



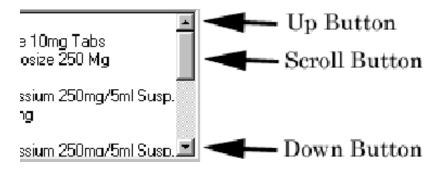
Since the chart tabs are controls similar to buttons, just clicking on one of them with the mouse is sufficient to change the view to that tab.

## Help

Selecting Help then Contents from the main menu bar brings up a large help file. Pressing the F1 key brings up help on the current tab or dialog.

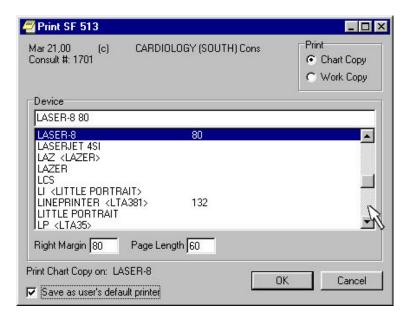
## **Scrolling**

If the cursor is in a list or text box, the arrow keys as well as the Page Up and Page Down keys can be used to see other parts of the text. Also, the scroll bar can be used.



The illustration above names the three buttons on the scroll bar. Clicking the up and down buttons is equivalent to using the up or down arrow key. Clicking above or below the scroll button is equivalent to using the Page Up or Page Down key. You also may drag the scroll button to quickly move from one part of the text to another.

# **Printing**



The contents of each tab can be printed by selecting the Print command from the File menu on the main menu bar. This will open the print dialog:

You must select a device and click OK before printing takes place.

## Character-based Interface

You can use the character-based interface from a standard CRT terminal, or you can use it from a PC Workstation through a terminal emulation program.

Much of the character-based interface for Consults simulates the GUI interface with the CPRS screen.

# Special Keys, Commands, and Option Responses

This section of the User Manual provides definitions for user responses and program symbols used throughout the Consults package. Consults runs under VA FileMan and List Manager. FileMan is the environment you are probably used to. It displays new information on the screen by scrolling previous information up (sometime scrolling it off the screen).

List Manager runs under FileMan, so it shares with it the command prompt and the command vocabulary. Unlike FileMan, it does not scroll information off the top of the screen. Rather, it places information in pre-defined locations in the screen area, and allows you to scroll variable length information (lists) within a pre-defined information window.

### VistA Conventions

Consults follows V*ISTA* user conventions. Package-specific symbols, keys, and option responses are briefly described here and fully described throughout this manual at appropriate places.

# **User Responses**

- **Enter>** This is the symbol for the Enter key used in this manual. (For some terminals, this key is labeled Return or has the 

  symbol on it.) It is entered after every response or used alone when you wish to bypass a prompt, accept a default, or return to a previous action.
- ? Entering a question mark after a prompt displays valid instructions for responding to that prompt.
- ?? Entering two question marks after a prompt usually displays a list of choices for responding to that prompt.
- ??? Entering three question marks usually displays more extensive instructions for responding to that prompt.

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^ A single up-arrow (sometimes called a caret or a circumflex) does several functions in the package depending on where you are and what you are doing.

The up-arrow can terminate a series of questions and return you to a previous level.

Exits you out of the option you're in and returns you to the menu.

#### **Program Symbols**

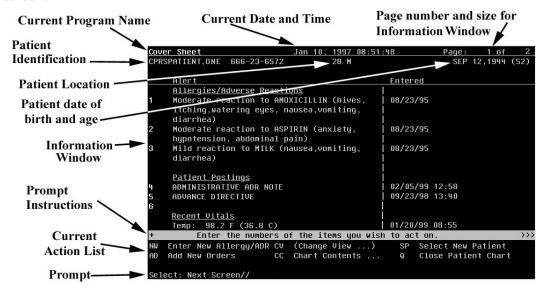
Double slashes mean a default response has been provided by the Consults package. A default response is either the most likely choice or a previously entered response. For example, "Select Service/Specialty: MEDICINE//". If you wish to select the default response MEDICINE, press the Enter key. Otherwise, type the name of another service or specialty.

# **List Manager Conventions**

List Manager simulates a graphical user interface (GUI) on terminals that are not equipped for graphical display. It also provides a mechanism for programs running on a PC workstation equipped with Windows NT, Windows 95, or a higher number Windows operating system to perform Consults package functions.

By simulating a windowing environment, List Manager gives you some of the advantages of Windows without requiring you to have a PC workstation. You have better control over what appears on your screen than in standard V*ISTA*, and the display is organized to simulate a paper medical record.

Standard parts of a CPRS List Manager screen:



## **Key to above figure:**

**Current Program Name** tells you what program or package is in control. These programs correspond to the tabs in a hard-copy patient record.

**Current Date and Time** is the date and time supplied by the computer operating system.

Page number and size for Information Area. List Manager automatically divides the contents of the Information Area into pages of one screenfull each. This display informs you how many of these pages there are and which one you are on.

**Patient Identification** is the name and social security number of the patient whose chart you are looking at.

**Patient Location** is the location that was last entered on this patient.

Patient Date of Birth and Age is the date of birth, with the age in parentheses, of the patient at the time List Manager last painted the information on the screen.

**Information Window** contains a list of information from the patient's computerstored record. It corresponds to the program listed in the upper lefthand corner of the screen. **Prompt Instructions** displays context sensitive information about how you can respond to the current prompt. Included in this line is a plus (+) if the page can be scrolled vertically and greater-than signs if the page can be scrolled horizontally.

**Current Action List** is a short list of actions that you can use.

**Prompt** where actions can be entered.

#### **Standard Actions**

>

Certain menu actions are usually in effect while using Consults. A complete list of currently active actions is displayed by typing two question marks (??) at the prompt. The most common hidden actions are:

-	Scroll up one screen in the current tabbed section.
+	Scroll down one screen in the current tabbed section.

<	Shift the vie	w to the left.

Shift the view to the right.

AD	Add a new order to the current tabbed section. Same as using the NW
	action from the orders tab.

ADPL	Toggles (turns off or on) the automatic menu display.

DN	Caroll down one	line in the surre	nt tabbad saction
DN	Scroll down one	line in the curre	nt tabbed section.

FS	First Page. Go to the top of the current tabbed section.
----	--

GO	Go to a specific page in the current tabbed section.
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LOC	Temporarily changes the patient location and/or provider for ordering
	purposes.

LS Last Page. Go to the bottom of the current tabbed section.

NW Add a new entry to the current tabbed section.

PI Patient Inquiry. Displays patient information such as address, ward assignments, and eligibility information.

PL Print List. Print the data contents of the current tabbed section.

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PS	Print Screen. Print the data contents of the current screen.
RD	Re-display the current screen.
RV	Review newly placed orders. Displays both signed and unsigned orders from the current session.
SL	Search List. Search the current tabbed section for a specific word or string of characters.
UP	Scroll up one line in the current tabbed section.

# **Printing Conventions**

When you are prompted for Device:, you have the following choices:

<enter></enter>	Accepts the default, causing the order(s) to be displayed on your screen.
LASER	Enter a valid printer name (LASER is an example).
?	Lists printers from which you can select one.
Q or q	Allows you to queue the Consults task (meaning it will print at a later time and place). When queuing a task, make sure you enter a time in addition to a date, for example:

```
DO YOU WANT YOUR OUTPUT QUEUED? NO// YES

Requested Start Time: NOW// T+1@1500
```

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# **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.

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.

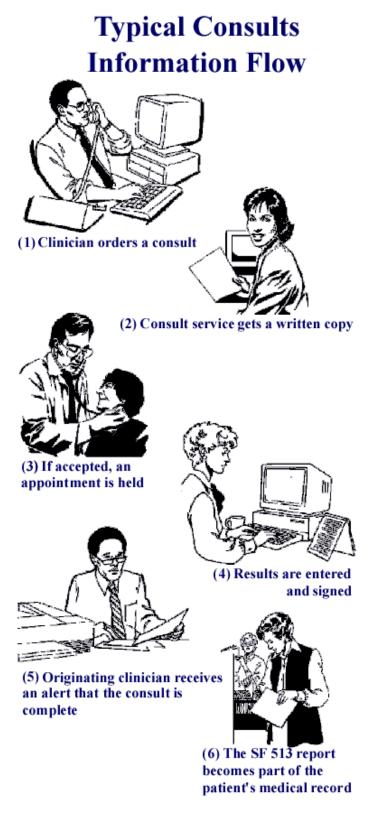
Privileges granted in the Consults Service User Management option.

# **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.



# **Work Flow**

- **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
                                    ID
                                              DOB
                                                             Room-Bed
    No patients found.
                the number of the patient
    Next Screen
                             Change View ...
                                                        Find Patient
                         SV (Save as Default List)Q
   Previous Screen
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 ...
```

(Continued on the next page.)

The screen now looks something like this:

```
Cover Sheet
                              Feb 13, 1999 12:53:14
                                                                    1 of
                                                                            2
CPRSPATIENT, TWELVE 666-24-2342
                                                       FEB 3,1923 (74)
                                            1A/B-1
                                                                          <CA>
PrimCare: CPRSProvider, Three
                                                PCTeam: GOLD
                                                  Entered
     Item
     Allergies/Adverse Reactions
1
     BEESWAX (hives, itching, watering eyes,
                                                  03/28/97
     anxiety)
     Patient Postings
2
    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

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

#### **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>
Earliest appropriate date:TODAY// <Enter>▼
Place of Consultation: Bedside// ?
Select from:
                                                                   If the request is for a future
 1 Redside
                                                                   service, such as an EKG in
 2 Consultant's Choice
Select the preferred place to see the patient for this consult.
                                                                   6 months, then enter the
                                                                   future date here.
Place of Consultation: Bedside// <Enter>
Attention: CPRSPROVIDER, THREE
                                                  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.)

#### Package Reference

The screen now looks something like this:

```
All Consults
                             Feb 13, 1998 12:58:32
                                                             Page:
                                                                     1 of
                                          1A/B-1
CPRSPATIENT, TWELVE 666-24-2342
                                                      FEB 3,1923 (74)
PrimCare: CPRSProvider, Three
                                              PCTeam: GOLD
     Consult/Procedure
                                                 Requested
     CARDIOLOGY Consult
                                               02/25/97 11:02 complete
               the numbers of the items you wish to act on.
NW Enter New Allergy/ADR CV (Change View ...)
                                                     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.

Processing orders ...

# 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

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:
   CWA
         Patient Warning (CWAD) Display [GMRPNCW]
         MailMan Menu ... [XMUSER]
  MA
   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.
```

Select User's Toolbox Option: ELectronic Signature code Edit This option is designed to permit you to enter or change your Initials, Signature Block Information, Office Phone number, and Voice and Digital Pagers numbers. In addition, you are permitted to enter a new Electronic Signature Code or to change an existing code. INITIAL: CRS// <Enter> SIGNATURE BLOCK PRINTED NAME: CPRSPROVIDER, SEVEN// <Enter> The electronic SIGNATURE BLOCK TITLE: DOCTOR// MD OFFICE PHONE: 588-5029 signature is ANALOG PAGER: 4038 typed here. DIGITAL PAGER: <Enter> SIGNATURE VERIFIED Enter your Current Signature Code: The new Your typing will not show. ENTER NEW SIGNATURE CODE: signature is RE-ENTER SIGNATURE CODE FOR VERIFICATION: typed here. DONE And here. Select User's Toolbox Option:

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

```
/es/CPRSPROVIDER,SEVEN
MD
```

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
         Enter "VA VIEW ALERTS
                                    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
CPRSPATIENT, TWELVE 666-24-3456
                                         1A/B-1 FEB 3,1923 (74) <CA>
PrimCare: CPRSProvider, Three
                                             PCTeam: GOLD
    Item Ordered
                                             Requestor Start Stop Sts
1
    CT ABDOMEN W&W/O CONT *UNSIGNED*
                                             CPRSPROVIDER, THREE
                                                                  unr
    Discontinue CBC BLOOD WC LB# 269
                                             CPRSPROVIDER, TEN
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
   Next Screen
                             Previous Screen
                                                      Quit
Select:Quit// 1
```

•	Requestor Start Sto CPRSPROVIDER, THREE CPRSPROVIDER, TEN  to act on. Sign Detailed Display		
Change	Sign	>>>	
Select action: S Sign			
CT ABDOMEN W&W/O C	CONT		
Inter your Current Signature Code: SIGNATUR	RE VERIFIED		
CT ABDOMEN W&W/O CONT signed. Print CHART COPY for the orders: YES// <enter> DEVICE: LTA35// <enter> C-ITOH 300 LINE PRINT DO YOU WANT YOUR OUTPUT QUEUED? NO// <enter></enter></enter></enter>	ΓER	The electronsignature in typed here	s
Unsigned Orders Feb 13, 1998 13:03: PRSPATIENT,TWELVE 666-24-2342 1A PrimCare: CPRSProvider, Three		1 (74) <ca< td=""><td>4&gt;</td></ca<>	4>
Item Ordered CT ABDOMEN W&W/O CONT *UNSIGNED* Discontinue CBC BLOOD WC LB# 269 *UNSIGNED* Change SODIUM SERUM SERUM WC to GLUCOSE SERUM SERUM SP LB# 242 *UNSIGNED* Change GLUCOSE SERUM SERUM SP to POTASSIUM SERUM SERUM SP LB# 242 *UNSIGNED*	Requestor S   CPRSPROVIDER,ONE   CPRSPROVIDER,TWO	tart Stop	Sts unr unr pend pend
Enter the numbers of the items you wish Next Screen - Previous Screen		>>>	

# 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.)

**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.

Consult Request: Consult  To: CARDIOLOGY From: 2B MED  Requesting Facility: BOISE ====================================	Requested: 08/24/2009 11:00 am
To: CARDIOLOGY From: 2B MED  Requesting Facility: BOISE REASON FOR REQUEST: (Complaints and findings) Patient has a Hx of hypertrophic cardiomyopath seems to be somewhat stable. Lung fields apperage Chest X-Ray and we need an assessment of cardinareasing Digitalis dosages.  PROVISIONAL DIAG: Cardiomyopathy, Hypertrophic REQUESTED BY: CPRSPROVIDER, TEN REQUESTED BY: CPRSPROVIDER, TEN PHYSICIAN (Pager:) (Phone:) Inpatient	Requested: 08/24/2009 11:00 am
To: CARDIOLOGY From: 2B MED  Requesting Facility: BOISE REASON FOR REQUEST: (Complaints and findings) Patient has a Hx of hypertrophic cardiomyopath seems to be somewhat stable. Lung fields apperage Chest X-Ray and we need an assessment of cardinareasing Digitalis dosages.  PROVISIONAL DIAG: Cardiomyopathy, Hypertrophic REQUESTED BY: CPRSPROVIDER, TEN REQUESTED BY: CPRSPROVIDER, TEN PHYSICIAN (Pager:) (Phone:) Inpatient	Requested: 08/24/2009 11:00 am
Requesting Facility: BOISE   ====================================	Dx'ed 3 years ago and r slightly edematious on c function prior to
REQUESTED BY: PLACE: CPRSPROVIDER, TEN Bedside PHYSICIAN (Pager:) SERVICE RE (Phone:) Inpatient	(425.1)
CPRSPROVIDER,TEN Bedside PHYSICIAN (Pager: ) SERVICE RE (Phone: ) Inpatient	
WORKING COPY	URGENCY:  Routine    DERED AS:   EARLIEST DATE:   Jan 31, 2011
No Consultation Results avai	able.
AUTHOR & TITLE:	
ID #: ORGANIZATION: BOISE	DATE:

# 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
```

```
Consult/Request Alerts Feb 13, 1999 13:06 Page: 1 of 1
CPRSPATIENT, TWELVE 666-24-3779 1A/B-1 FEB 3,1923 (74) <CA>
Ward: 2B MED
Requested St No. Consult/Procedure Request
185 02/12/97 p 1636 NEUROLOGY 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// 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>
```

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 140 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
                                                                Page:
                                                                          1 of
CPRSPATIENT, TWELVE 666-24-3779
                                              1A/B-1
                                                           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
                                          MA Make Addendum PF Print Form 513
SF Sig Findings RM Remove Med Rslt
CV Change View ... CX Cancel (Deny)
              DC Discontinue
RC Receive
SC Schedule CM Add Comment
Select: Quit// RC Receive Request
                                          DD Detailed Display ER Edit/Resubmit
```

```
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
                                                                                  1 of
                                                                       Page:
CPRSPATIENT, TWELVE 666-24-3779
                                                   1A/B-1
                                                                  FEB 3,1923 (74) <CA>
                                                                        Wt.(lb): No Entry
    Requested St No. Consult/Procedu: 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 Disconting
CM Add Comment
RC Receive
                       DC Discontinue
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*ISTA* 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
```

```
CONSULT TRACKING
                             Oct 05, 2000 09:22:45
                                                           Page:
                                                                    1 of
CPRSPATIENT, TWELVE 666-24-3779
                                                      FEB 3,1923 (74) <CA>
                                          1A/B-1
                                                                 Wt.(lb): 180
   Requested St
                     No.
                           Consult/Procedure Request
   09/04/97
                     319 PULMONARY Cons
             g
          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
                                       DD Detailed Display ER Edit/Resubmit
SC Schedule
                  CM Add Comment
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 qid, 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.
```

Saving MEDICINE CONSULT with changes...

Your electronic signature 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!

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//

# **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:
TIUPATIENT, TWELVE 666-24-2342
                                                      1A/B-1
                                                                     FEB 3,1923 (74)
                                                                                          <CA>
                                                                              Wt.(lb): No Entry
    Requested St No. Consult/Proced 01/08/99 c 1337 PULMONARY Cons
                                   Consult/Procedure Request
            Enter ?? for more actions
                                                  CT Complete/Update RT Results Display
MA Make Addendum PF Print Form 513
SF Sig Findings RM Remove Med Rslt
SP Select Patient FR Forward CV Change View ... CX Cancel (Deny)
                DC Discontinue
RC Receive
SC Schedule
                        CM Add Comment
                                                  DD Detailed Display ER Edit/Resubmit
Compiling Result Display...
```

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

```
Results Display
                       Feb 26, 1999 14:59:10
                                               Page:
                                                      1 of
TIUPATIENT, TWELVE 666-24-2342
                                 1A/B-1
                                           FEB 3,1923 (74)
                                                        <CA>
Consult No.: 1337
                                                Wt.(lb): No Entry
----- CONSULT------
Pt should stay away from Oyster Crackers.
Signature: /es/CPRSPROVIDER,SEVEN
                                Date: FEB 12, 1999@11:35:14
Source Information
 Document Status: COMPLETED
     Entry Date: FEB 12, 1999@11:32
                                            Author: CPRSPROVIDER,S
 Expected Signer: CPRSPROVIDER,SEVEN
                                   Expected Cosigner: None
     Entered By: CRS
                                      TIU Document #: 5365
       Urgency: None
______
```

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
                                                                       1 of
                                                               Page:
CPRSPATIENT, TWELVE 666-24-3779
                                            1A/B-1
                                                        FEB 3,1923 (74)
                                                                         <CA>
                                                                   Wt.(lb): 178
    Requested St
                            Consult/Procedure Request
                      No.
    11/01/97
                       675 PULMONARY Consult
    10/28/97
                       506 <MEDICINE EAST> Consult
    07/21/97
                       285 PULMONARY Pulmonary Function Test
               C
          Enter ?? for more actions
SP Select Patient FR Forward
                                        CT Complete/Update RT Results Display
                                       MA Make Addendum PF Print Form 513
CV Change View ... CX Cancel (Deny)
             DC Discontinue
CM Add Comment
RC Receive
                                        SF Sig Findings
                                                            RM Remove Med Rslt
SC Schedule
                                        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%
666-23-4442 03/03/1960
                                 SC VETERAN
123 SESAME ST.
APT. 4
SALT LAKE CITY UTAH 84101 Phone: 801-555-1289
Consult Request: Consult
                                         |Consult No.: 675
______
To: PULMONARY
  From: NOT 2B
                                     Requested: 11/01/1997 10:13 am
_____
                            ATTENTION: CPRSPROVIDER, TWO
Requesting Facility: ELY
______
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
______
RECUESTED BY:
                          PLACE:
                                            IURGENCY:
CPRSPROVIDER, SEVEN
                           Bedside
Chief of Surgery
(Pager: 9999)
                          SERVICE RENDERED AS:
                     |Inpatient
(Phone: 1234)
______
                 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:
                              STATUS: COMPLETED
   URGENCY:
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)
_____
REQUESTED BY:
                          PLACE:
                                            | URGENCY:
CASEY, BEN
                          Bedside
                                            Routine
CHIEF OF SURGERY
                          (Pager: )
(Phone: )
                          Inpatient
```

See page 137 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.

```
Feb 13, 1998 13:21:08
Add New Orders
                                                                                Page:
                                                                                           1 of
CPRSPATIENT, TWELVE 666-24-3779
                                                                         FEB 3,1923 (74)
                                                         1A/B-1
                                                                                                 <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
3 Condition
                                 33 Incentive Spirometer 73 Glucose 34 Dressing Change 74 CBC w/Diff
                                 34 Dressing Change
4 Allergies
                                75 PT
40 DIETETICS... 76 PTT
41 Regular Diet 77 CPK
42 Tubefeeding 78 CPK
43 NPO at Midnight 79 LDH
80 Urinalysis
10 PARAMETERS...
                                40 DIETETICS...
11 TPR B/P
12 Weight
13 I & O
14 Call HO on
                                 50 IV FLUIDS...
                                                                   81 Culture & Suscept
                                 51 OUTPATIENT MEDS...
55 INPATIENT MEDS...
90 OTHER ORDERS...
20 ACTIVITY...
21 Ad Lib
23 Bed Rest / BRP
24 Ambulate TID
25 Up in Chair TID
                                                                    91 EKG: Portable
                                 60 IMAGING ...
                                  61 Chest 2 views PA&LAT 99 Text Only Order
             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 40 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*ISTA*, 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 you 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:
  ADVANCE DIRECTIVE
                         TITLE
  ADVERSE REACTION/ALLERGY
                                 TITLE
  ASI-ADDICTION SEVERITY INDEX TITLE
  BP TEST NOTE TITLE CLINICAL WARNING TI
                        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:
```

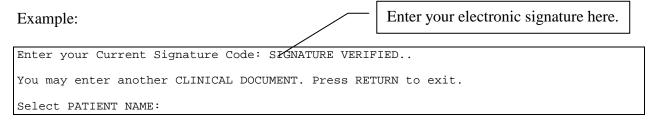
# 7. Sign the findings.

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.





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 inhouse 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...
```

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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:

STATUS: UNSIGNED **URGENCY:** 

DEMOGRAPHICS: CPRSPATIENT, TWO 666-01-0167P

31

JAN 1,1967

His disposition is good.

Prev Screen Identify Signers

Make Addendum Find Print Sign/Cosign Delete Edit Link ... Сору 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

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.

Prev Screen ?? More actions Find Make Addendum Identify Signers

Print Sign/Cosign Delete Edit Сору 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 ...
          Integrated Document Management ...
   3
   4
         Personal Preferences ...
Select Progress Notes/Discharge Summary [TIU] Option: INtegrated Document Management
                          --- Clinician's Menu ---
          Individual Patient Document
         All MY UNSIGNED Documents
   2
  3
         Multiple Patient Documents
   4
         Enter/edit Document
Select Integrated Document Management Option: INdividual Patient Document
Select PATIENT NAME: CPRSPATIENT, TWO
                                               01-01-67
                                                            666010167P
                                                                             ACTIVE
DUTY
                      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...
```

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//  $\mathbf{L}$  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, 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
                           Document
                                                         Ref Date Status
     CPRSPATIENT,T (C0167) PULMONARY CONSULT
                                                          01/26/98 unsigned
1
     ARTPATIENT, TW (A4321) Adverse React/Allergy
                                                          01/22/98
                                                                    unsigned
                                                          01/20/98 uncosigned
3
     CPRSPATIENT, O (C8796) Reparatory Therapy Note
     CPRSPATIENT, F (R1350) Reparatory Therapy Note
                                                          01/16/98 uncosigned
     CPRSPATIENT, T (C9999) Reparatory Therapy Note
                                                         01/16/98 uncosigned
6
     CPRSPATIENT,T (C1350) Reparatory Therapy Note
                                                         01/15/98 uncosigned
     TIUPATIENT, EI (T1239) Reparatory Therapy Note
                                                          01/15/98 uncosigned
     CPRSPATIENT, T (C1563) Reparatory Therapy Note
8
                                                          01/14/98 uncosigned
     CPRSPATIENT, T (C1563) Reparatory Therapy Note
                                                          01/14/98 uncosigned
9
     PNPATIENT, FIV (P1350) Reparatory Therapy Note
                                                          01/14/98 uncosigned
10
11
     DSPATIENT, TEN (D6572) Reparatory Therapy Note
                                                          01/14/98 uncosigned
                                                          01/14/98 uncosigned
     HSPATIENT, ONE (H2591) Reparatory Therapy Note
12
     TIUPATIENT, EI (T1239) Reparatory Therapy Note TIUPATIENT, EI (T1239) Reparatory Therapy Note
                                                           01/14/98
13
                                                                    uncosigned
14
                                                           01/14/98
                                                                    uncosigned
          + Next Screen - Prev Screen ?? More Actions
     Find
                                Sign/Cosign
                                                           Change View
     Add Document
                                Detailed Display
                                                           Сору
     Edit
                                                           Delete Document
                                Browse
     Make Addendum
                                Print
                                                           Ouit
                                Identify Signers
     Link ...
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
```

```
Jan 26, 1998 16:51:32
MY UNSIGNED Documents
                                                            Page:
                                                                      1 of
             by AUTHOR (TIUPATIENT, THREE) or EXPECTED COSIGNER
                                                                    40 documents
     Patient
                           Document
                                                          Ref Date Status
     CPRSPATIENT, T (C0167) PULMONARY CONSULT
                                                                    unsigned
                                                          01/26/98
2
     ARTPATIENT, TW (A4321) Adverse React/Allergy
                                                          01/22/98
                                                                    unsigned
     CPRSPATIENT,O (C8796) Reparatory Therapy Note
3
                                                          01/20/98
                                                                    uncosigned
     CPRSPATIENT,F (R1350) Reparatory Therapy Note
                                                          01/16/98
                                                                    uncosigned
5
     CPRSPATIENT, T (C9999) Reparatory Therapy Note
                                                          01/16/98
                                                                    uncosigned
6
     CPRSPATIENT, T (C1350) Reparatory Therapy Note
                                                          01/15/98
                                                                    uncosigned
7
     TIUPATIENT, EI (T1239) Reparatory Therapy Note
                                                          01/15/98
                                                                    uncosigned
8
     CPRSPATIENT, T (C1563) Reparatory Therapy Note
                                                          01/14/98
                                                                    uncosigned
     CPRSPATIENT, T (C1563) Reparatory Therapy Note
9
                                                          01/14/98
                                                                    uncosigned
     PNPATIENT, FIV (P1350) Reparatory Therapy Note
10
                                                          01/14/98
                                                                    uncosigned
11
     DSPATIENT, TEN (D6572) Reparatory Therapy Note
                                                          01/14/98
                                                                     uncosigned
     HSPATIENT, ONE (H2591) Reparatory Therapy Note
                                                          01/14/98
12
                                                                    uncosigned
     TIUPATIENT, EI (T1239) Reparatory Therapy Note
13
                                                          01/14/98
                                                                    uncosigned
14
     TIUPATIENT, EI
                   (T1239) Reparatory Therapy Note
                                                          01/14/98
                                                                     uncosigned
             Item 1 Reassigned.
     Find
                               Sign/Cosign
                                                          Change View
                               Detailed Display
     Add Document
                                                          Сору
     Edit
                                                          Delete Document
                               Browse
     Make Addendum
                               Print
                                                          Quit
     Link ...
                                Identify Signers
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:
```

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):

```
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
```

```
Clinic PULMONARY CLINIC
                              Jan 27, 1998 15:20:32
                                                           Page:
                                                                    1 of
Current patient: ** No patient selected **
     Patient Name
                                              DOB
                                                           Appointment Date
     No patients found.
          Enter the number of the patient chart to be opened
    Next Screen
                             Change View ...
                                                       Find Patient
                          SV Save as Default List Q Close
   Previous Screen
Select Patient: Change View// WINCHESTER, CHARLES EMERSON III
                                                                       01-01-67
```

```
107010167P ACTIVE DUTY
A: Known allergies

Searching the patient's chart ...
```

```
Cover Sheet
                                Jan 27, 1998 15:20:40
                                                               Page: 1 of
CPRSPATIENT, TWO
                                  666-01-0167P1A
                                                            JAN 1,1967 (31)
                                                                                <A>
                                                   Entered
     Item
     Allergies/Adverse Reactions
                                                   10/07/97
     DUST
     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 ...)
AD Add New Orders CC Chart Contents ...
                                                       SP Select New Patient
                                                       Q Close Patient Chart
Select: Chart Contents// CC;N Chart Contents ...
```

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

Signed Notes		Jan 27, 1998	15:20	):46	P	age: 1 or	f 1
CPRSPATIENT, TWO		666-01-0167	P1A		JAN 1	,1967 (31)	<a></a>
	Curr	ently viewing	17 no	otes			
Title				Writte	en	Author	SigSt
1 PULMONARY CONSULT			- 1	01/26	16:37	RUSSELL,J	compl
	Note		į	12/11	16:59	•	-
<ul><li>Respiratory Therapy</li><li>General Note</li><li>General Note</li></ul>			i		/91	•	
4 General Note			i			BUECHLER, M	_
5 General Note			i	06/13	/91	MCCLENAH, M	compl
			1	, _ 5	,		E =
Enter the number							>>>
NW Write New Note		Change View .					
AD Add New Orders	CC	Chart Content	s	Q	Clos	e Patient Cl	nart
Select: Chart Contents//	CV	Change View .					
(Continued on the next page	- )						

Signed Notes	Jan 27, 1998 15:20:46 Page: 1 of 1
CPRSPATIENT, TWO	666-01-0167P1A JAN 1,1967 (31) <a></a>
	Currently viewing 17 notes
Title 1 PULMONARY CONSU 2 Joel's Test Not 3 General Note 4 General Note 5 General Note	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
	numbers of the items you wish to act on.
1 all signed	4 signed/author Save as Preferred View
2 my unsigned	5 signed/dates Remove Preferred View
3 my uncosigned	
Select context: 2	my unsigned

# Searching the patient's chart ...

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

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

Select Action: BR Browse

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

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:

STATUS: UNSIGNED **URGENCY:** 

DEMOGRAPHICS: CPRSPATIENT, TWO 666-01-0167P

31

JAN 1,1967

His disposition is good.

Prev Screen ?? More actions

Make Addendum Identify Signers Find

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

Select Action: Quit// <Enter> Quit

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

Currently viewing all unsigned notes

Title Written Author

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

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

Change View ... Write New Note Select New Patient AD Add New Orders CC Chart Contents ... 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:
CPRSPATIENT, FOUR 666-43-8796
                                      2B M
                                                        DEC 4,1949 (50)
                                                                         <CAD>
                                                              Wt.(lb): No Entry
   Requested St
                           Consult/Procedure Request
                     No.
                    1719 ELECTROCARDIOGRAM CARDIOLOGY Proc
   05/16/00 a
05/15/00 c
                    1718 ELECTROCARDIOGRAM CARDIOLOGY Proc
   02/09/00 p
                   1679 Holter Monitoring CARDIOLOGY Cons
   06/18/99 a 1538 PACEMAKER SURVEILLANCE CARDIOLOGY Proc
   04/07/99 c
5
                    1433 Holter Monitoring CARDIOLOGY Cons
   06/11/98 pr 1047 CARDIOLOGY Cons
6
   02/03/97 dc 341 *CARDIOLOGY Cons
07/28/95 c 94 ECHO CARDIOLOGY
07/20/95 c 90 TITLE
8
                    94 ECHO CARDIOLOGY Proc
10
                     88 ELECTROCARDIOGRAM CARDIOLOGY Proc
                  87 ELECTROCARDIOGRAM CARDIOLOGY Proc
   07/20/95 c
11
   04/23/92
                      64 *ELECTROCARDIOGRAM CARDIOLOGY Proc
          Enter ?? for more actions
                                        CT Complete/Update RT Results Display
SP Select Patient FR Forward
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: 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
                                        2B M
                                                          DEC 4,1949 (50)
                                                                            <CAD>
                         Available Medicine Results
                            Procedure Date
    Type of Proc.
                                                Summary
1
    ELECTROCARDIOGRAM
                            AUG 13,1997
                                                ABNORMAL
2
    ELECTROCARDIOGRAM
                            JUL 31,1995@08:04
                                                NORMAL
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:

- 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:

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

```
Procedure/Medicine Resulting Jun 21, 2000 14:41:16
                                                                     1 of
                                                            Page:
CPRSPATIENT, FOUR 666-43-8796
                                                       DEC 4,1949 (50)
                                     2B M
                                                                         <CAD>
                          Available Medicine Results
     Type of Proc.
                           Procedure Date
                                                Summary
   ELECTROCARDIOGRAM
                           JUL 31,1995@08:04
                                                NORMAL
AR Associate Result
                         DR Display selected medicine result
Select action: Quit// <Enter>
```

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

```
CONSULT TRACKING
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06/18/99 a 1538 PACEMAKER SURVEILLANCE CARDIOLOGY
04/07/99 c 1433 Holter Monitoring CARDIOLOGY Cons
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SP Select Patient FR Forward
CV Change View ...
                     CX Cancel (Deny)
                                            MA Make Addendum
                                                                   PF Print Form 513
                      DC Discontinue
RC Receive
                                            SF Sig Findings
                                                                  RM Remove Med Rslt
SC Schedule
                     CM Add Comment
                                            DD Detailed Display ER Edit/Resubmit
Select: Next Screen//
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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.

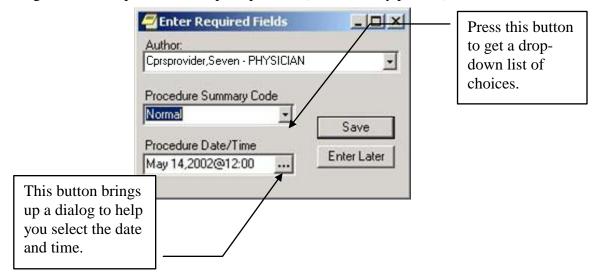
# Using the Consults Package with Clinical Procedures

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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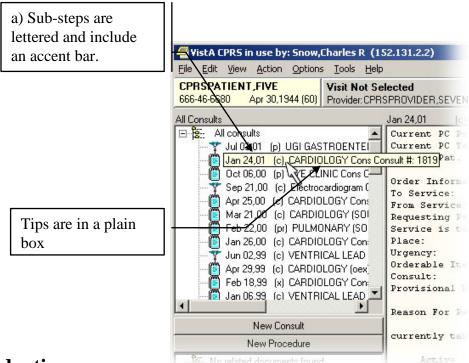
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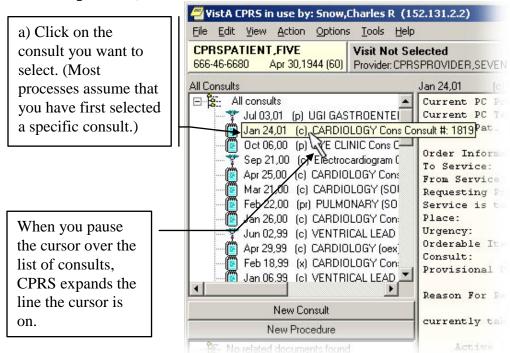
#### **Key**

## 1. Steps are numbered and bolded:



## Introduction

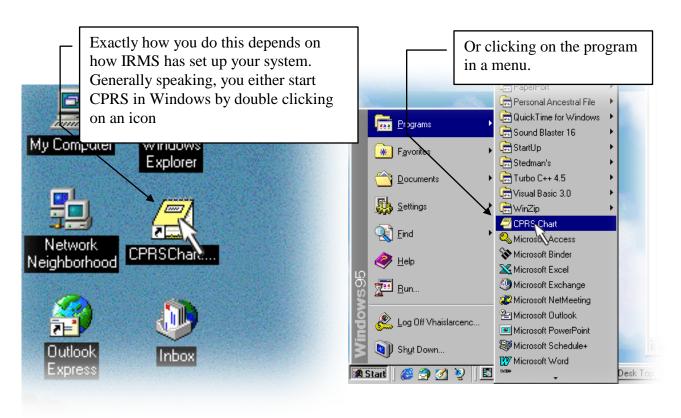
## 1. Before each process, select the consult:



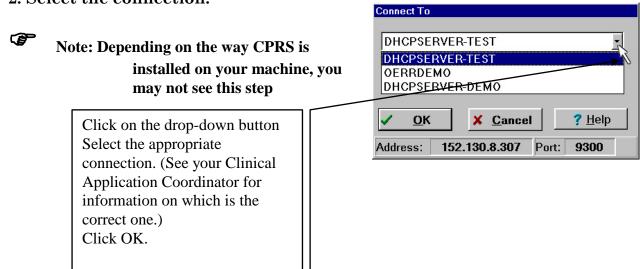
## **Windows Flow of Information**

## **Starting Consults in Windows**

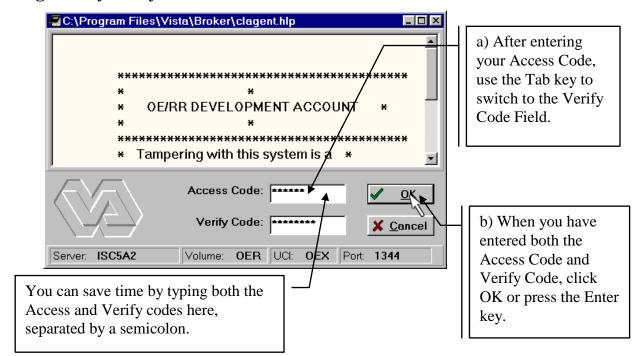
#### 1. Start CPRS for Windows:



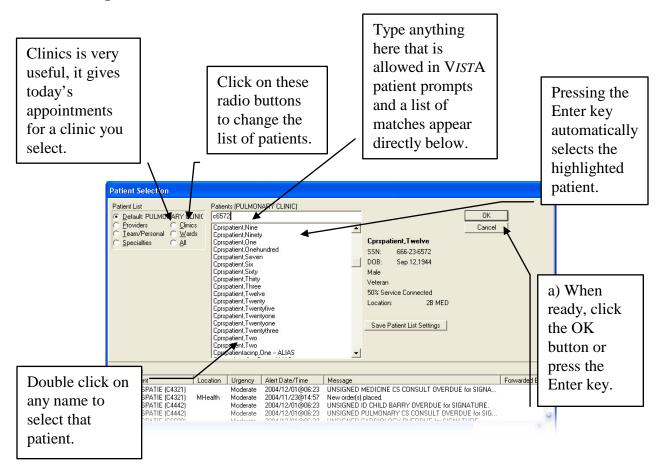
#### 2. Select the connection:



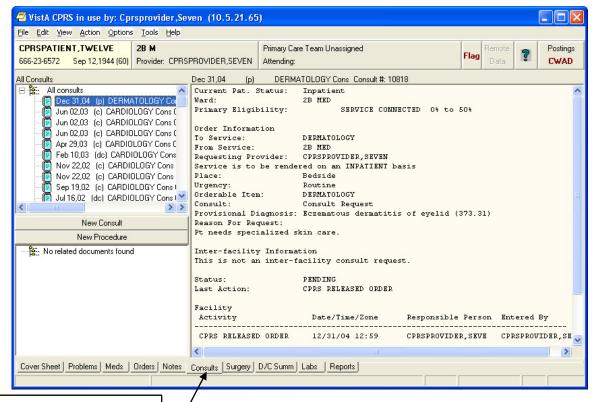
#### 3. Log-on to your system:



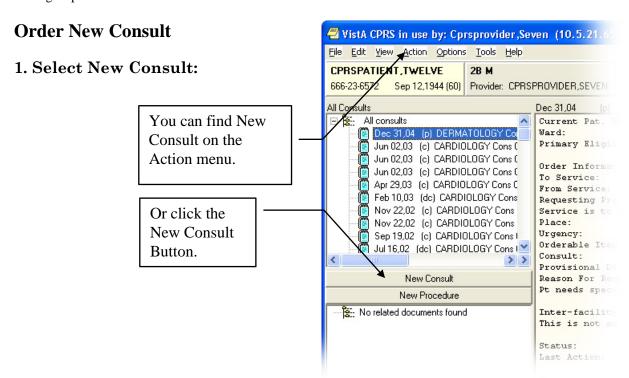
#### 4. Select a patient:

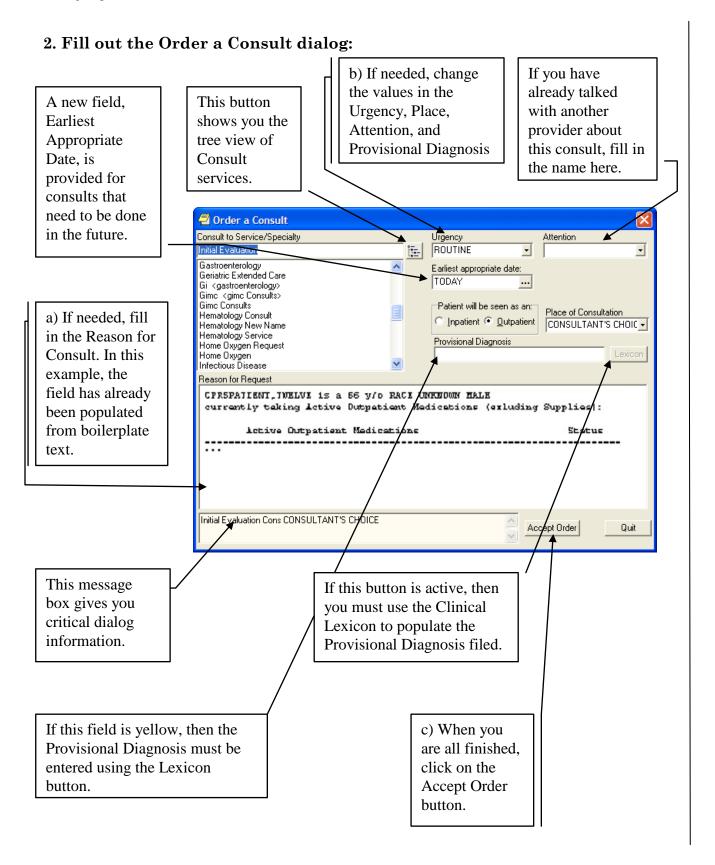


#### 5. Click the Consults Tab:



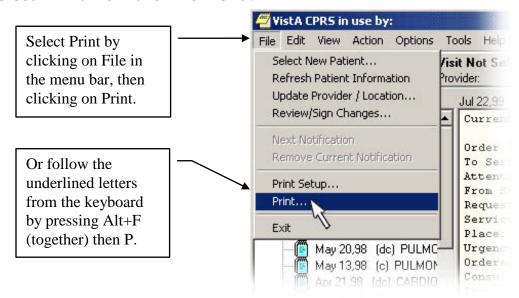
It may take a few seconds after selecting the Consults Tab for CPRS to load consults information.



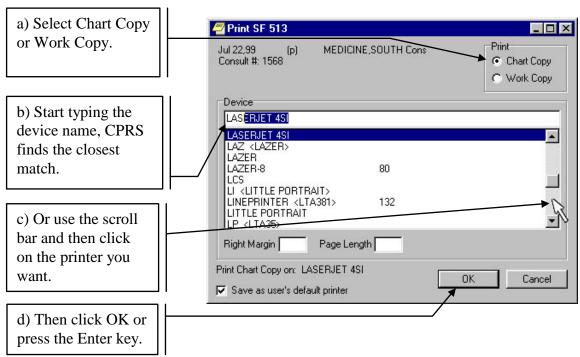


#### **Print Form 513**

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

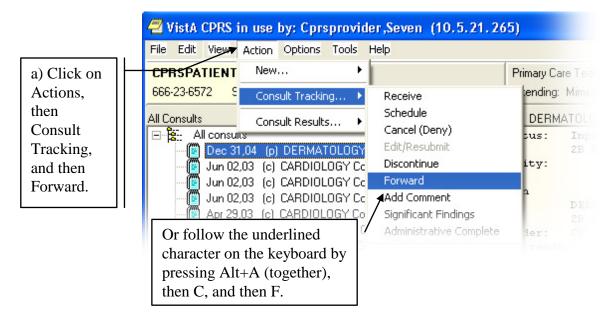


#### 2. Select the Printer Device:

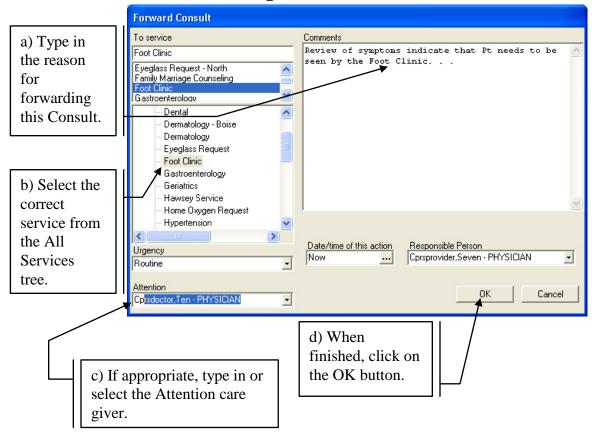


## **Forward Request**

#### 1. Select Forward:

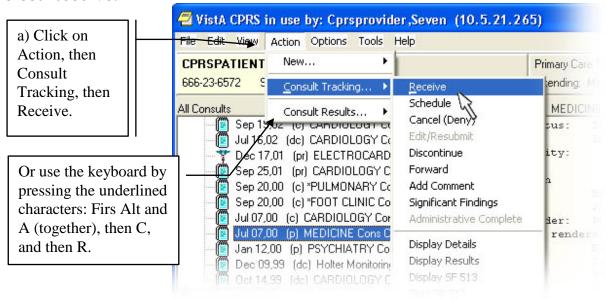


#### 2. Fill in the Forward Consult dialog:

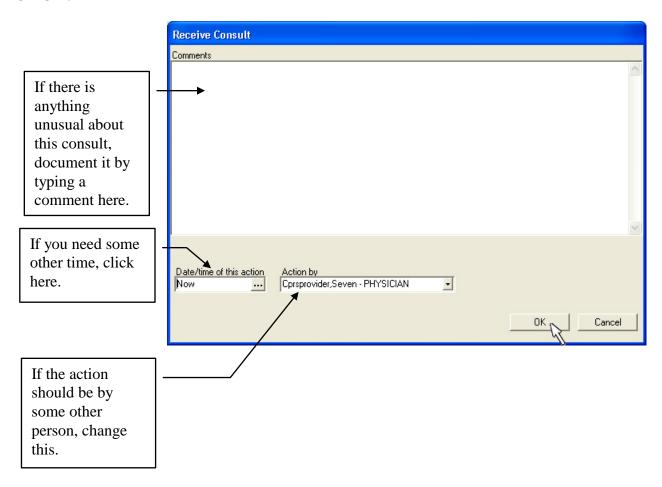


## **Receive Request**

#### 1. Select Receive:

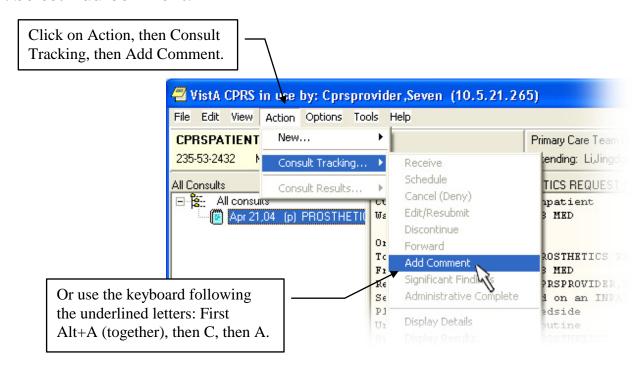


#### 2. Click OK.

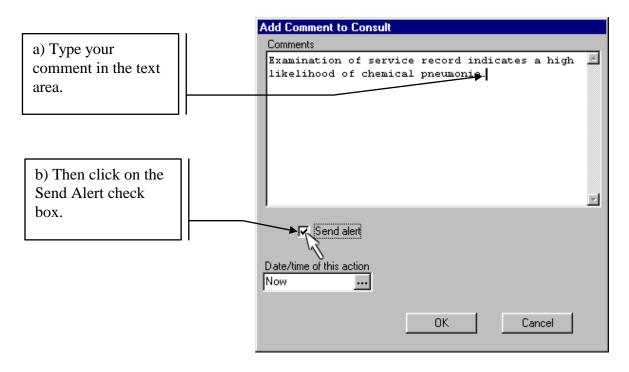


#### Comment

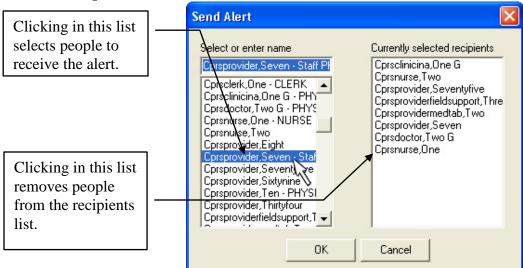
#### 1. Select Add Comment:



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



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

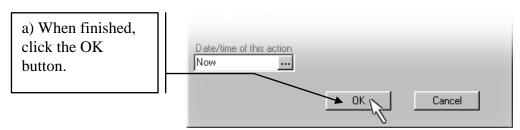


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Note:

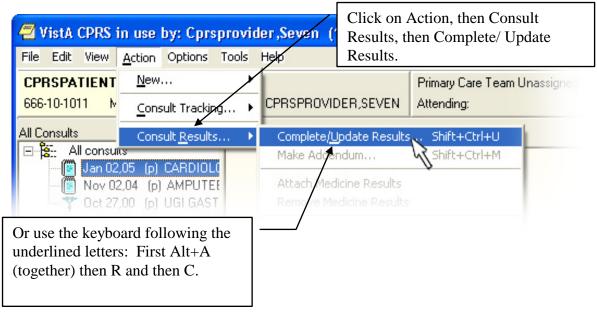
If this were an Inter-Facility Consult, individuals from the other facility involved would not be on this list. In this case, the Notification System decides who to notify at the other facility by referring to Consults files.

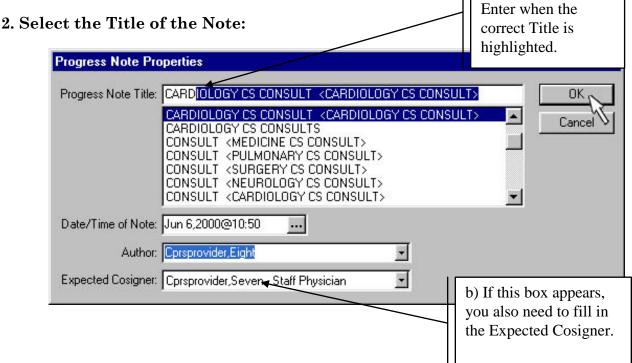
#### 4. Select OK:



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

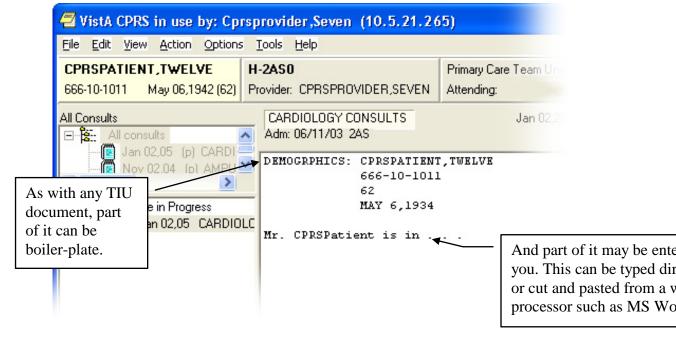
## 1. Select Complete/Update Results:



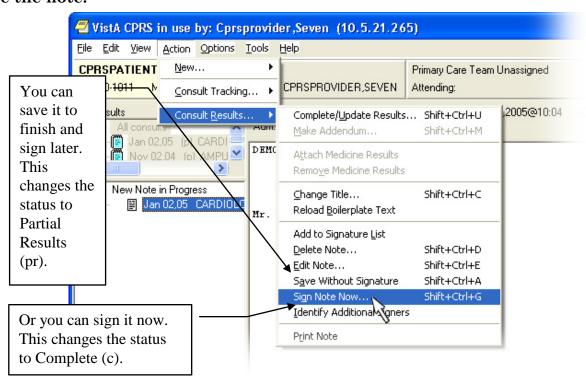


a) Start typing the Title, then press

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

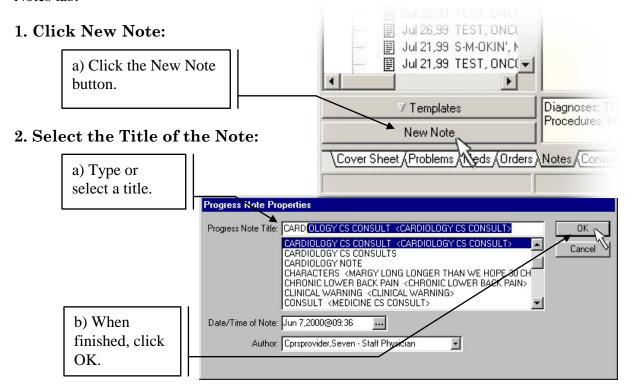


#### 4. Save the note:

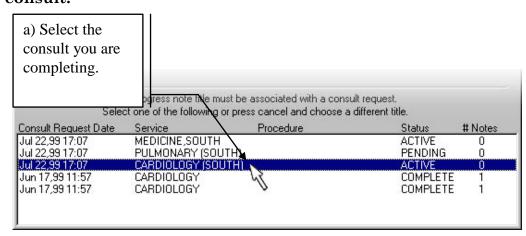


## **Complete a Consults (From the Notes Tab)**

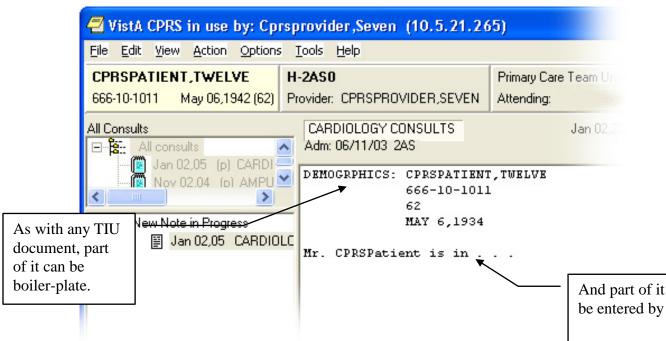
Before starting, from the CPRS Windows program, select the correct patient and click the Notes tab.



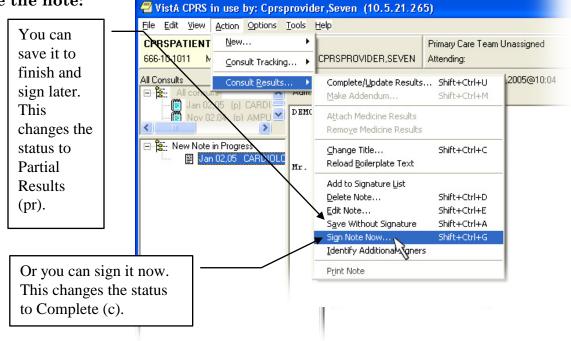
#### 3. Select the consult:



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

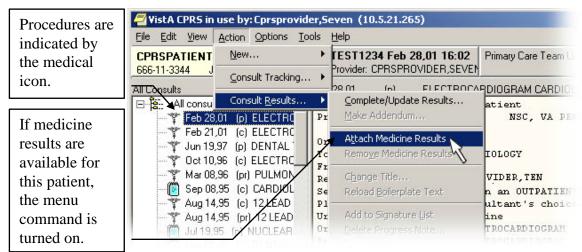


#### 5. Save the note:

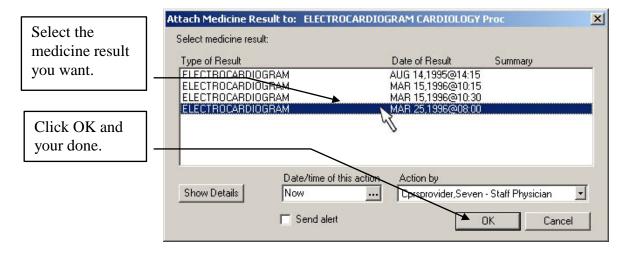


## **Complete a Consult (From the Medicine Results)**

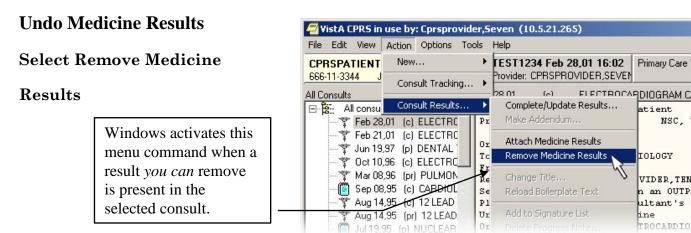
#### 1. Select Attach Medicine Results:



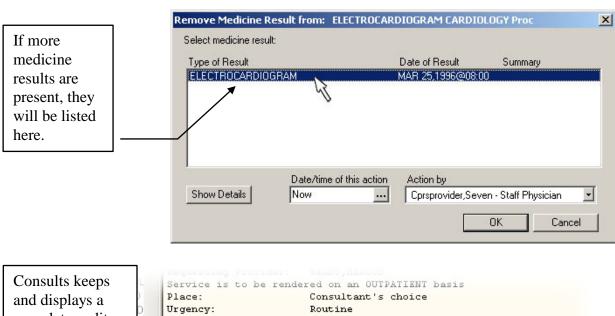
#### 2. Select the medicine result.

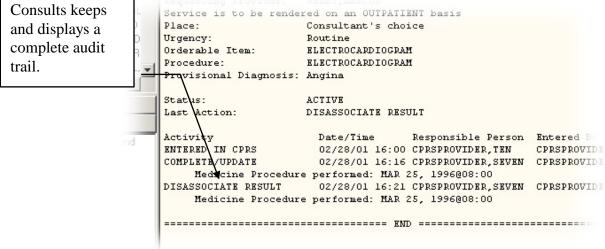


#### 3. No signature is necessary at this time.



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





## **Other Windows Topics**

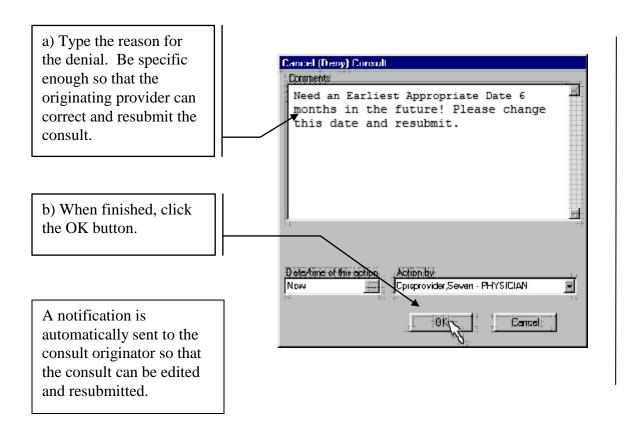
## Cancel (Deny) Request

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

#### 1. Select Cancel:

Click on VistA CPRS in use by: Cprsprovider, Seven (10.5.21.265) File Edit View Action Options Tools Help Action, then CPRSPATIENT New... 8E 666-23-6572 Consult Consult Tracking... Receive Tracking, All consults GY Cons Schedule Consult Results... and then Mar 23,99 (p) DBLUE Cancel (Deny) BUNE MARRUW A Cur Mar 02,99 (p) Cancel. patient Jan 05,99 (p) Family/Marriage Cor Or follow the underlined letters by typing Alt and A together (Alt+A), then C. and then C again.

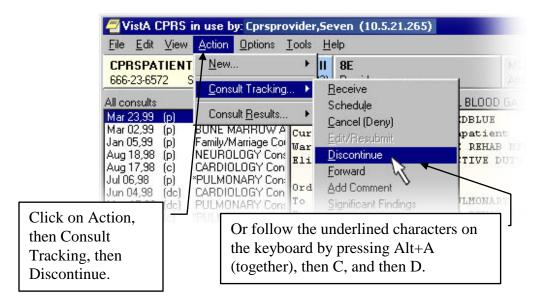
## 2. Consult dialog:



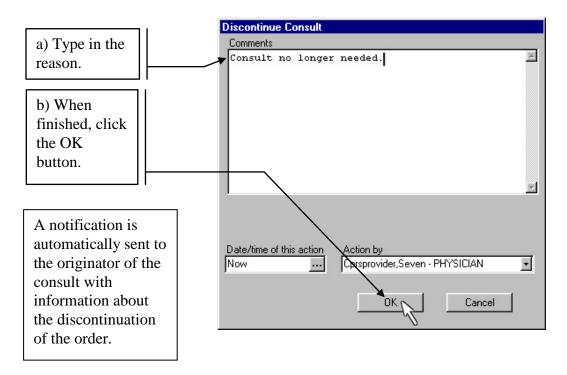
#### **Discontinue Order**

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

#### 1. Select Discontinue:

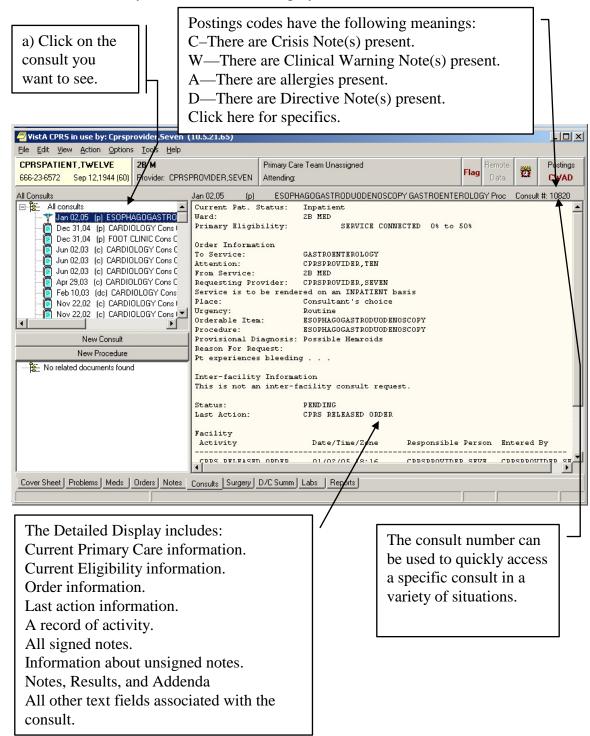


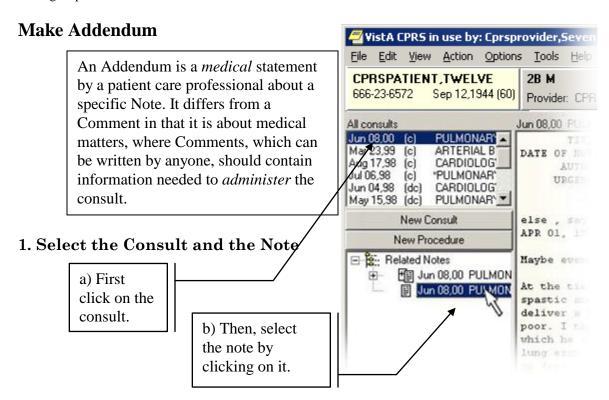
## 2. Fill out the Discontinue Consult dialog:



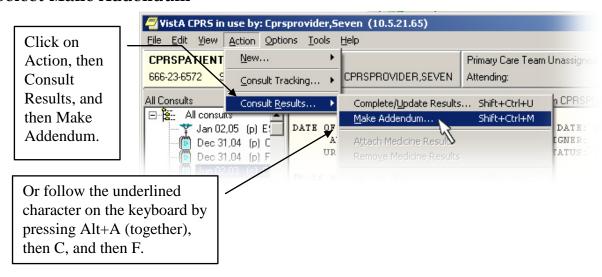
## **Detailed Display**

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

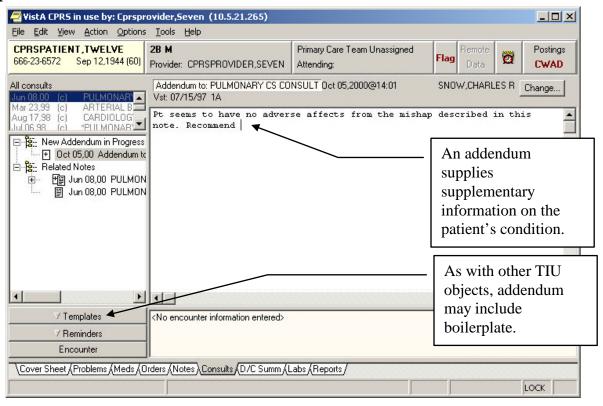




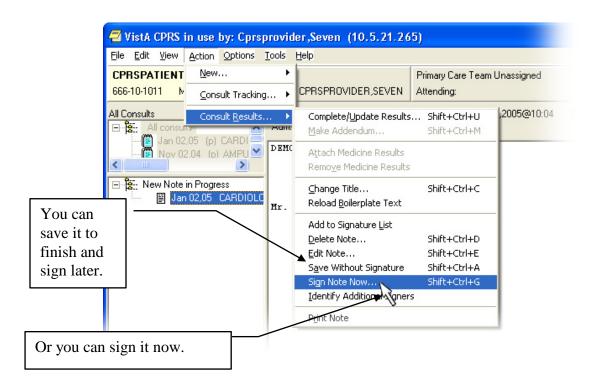
#### 2. Select Make Addendum



#### 3. Type the addendum:

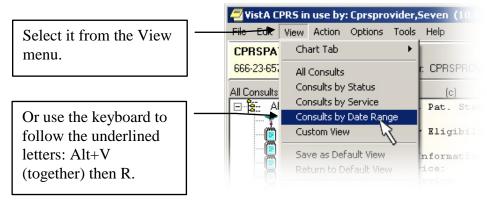


#### 4. Save the note:

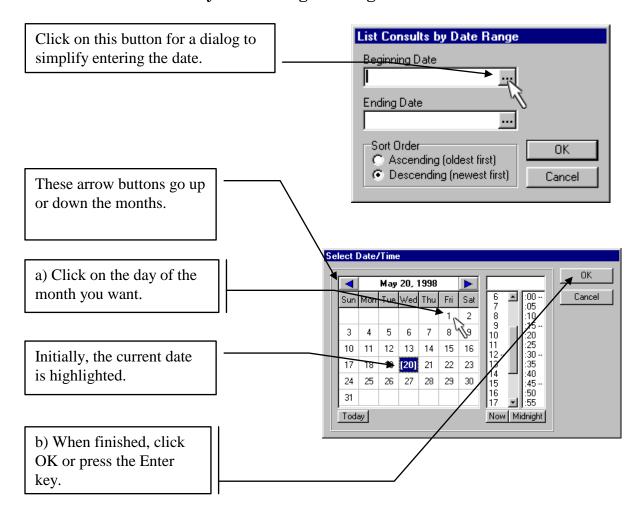


## **New Date Range**

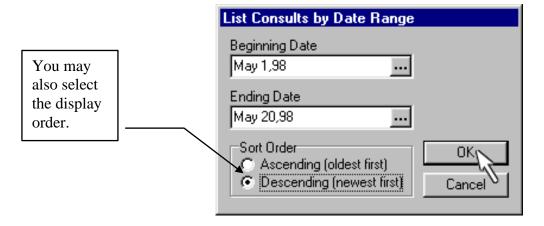
## 1. Select Consults by Date Range:

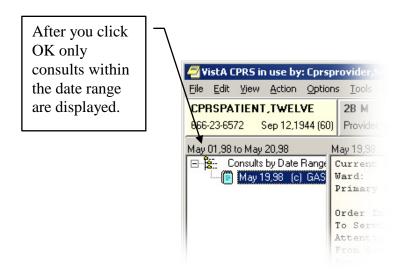


#### 2. Fill in the List Consults by Date Range Dialog:

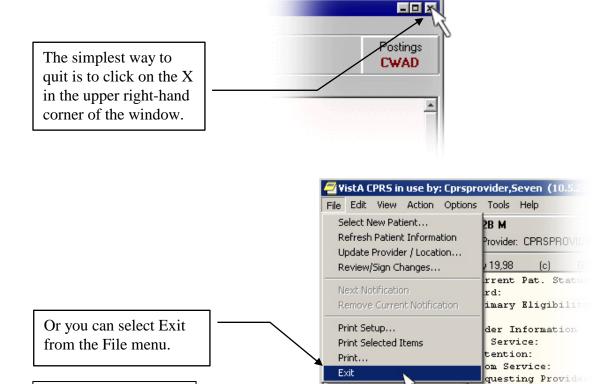


#### 3. Select OK:





## Quit



Or you can press the Alt and F4 keys at the same time (Alt+F4).

Urgency:

Consult:

New Consult

New Procedure

Orderable Item:

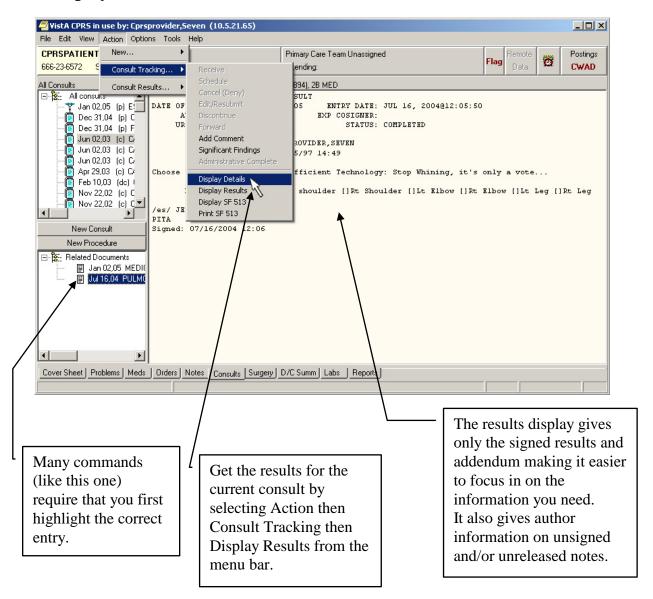
Test TIU\*1\*21.

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Reason For Request

Inter-facility In

## **Results Display**



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Note:

If this were an Inter-Facility Consult, CPRS's Remote Data Views would retrieve the results over the VA Intranet. This may take slightly longer.

before performing

the action.

#### **Select Consult** VistA CPRS in use by: Cprsprovider,S File Edit View Action Options Tools CPRSPATIENT, TWELVE 2B M 666-23-6572 Sep 12,1944 (60) Provider: 0 a) Click on the consult you want Jul 16,04 PU All Consults to view or ⊟-<mark>¦≘:</mark> All consults Jan 02,05 (p) E: DATE OF NO perform an action AUTH Dec 31,04 (c) C on. URGEN Dec 31,04 (p) F Jun 02,03 (c) C/ \*\*\* PUL Jun 02,03 (c) C Jun 02,03 (c) C b) If the consult Apr 29,03 (c) C/ has more than one Feb 10,03 (dc) ( note associated Choose on Nov 22,02 (c) C with it, that is Nov 22,02 (c) C Moh indicated here. For many actions, **New Consult** /es/ Sever PITA you must select an New Procedure Signed: 0 item in this pane ☐ Related Documents

01/02/200

Pt is not

/es/ Sever

Signed: 01

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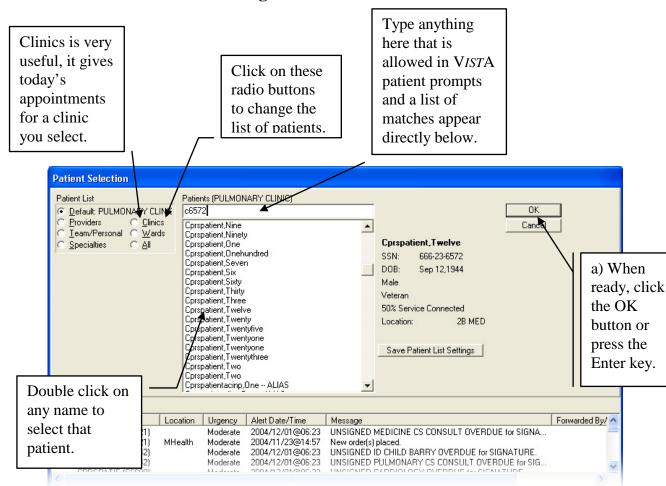
→ Image Jul 16,04 RULM

#### **Select New Patient**

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

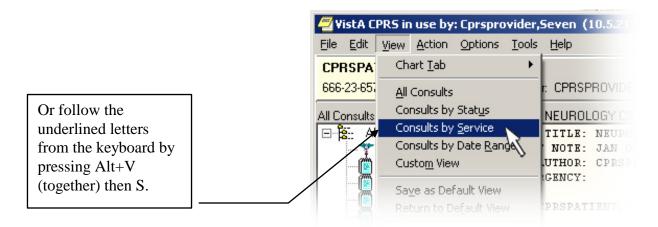


## 2. Use the Patient Selection Dialog:

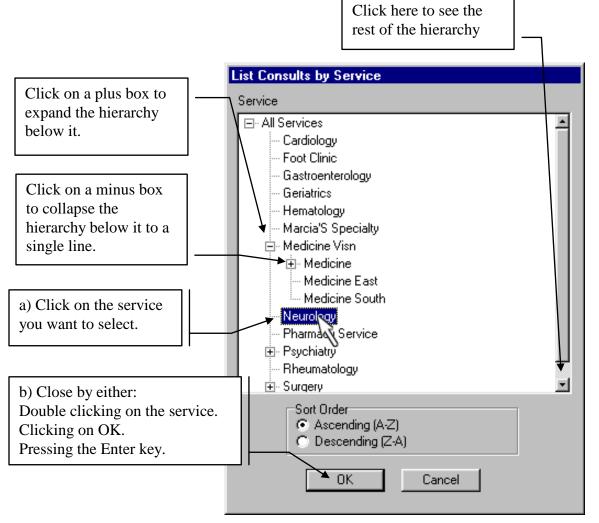


#### **Select Service**

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

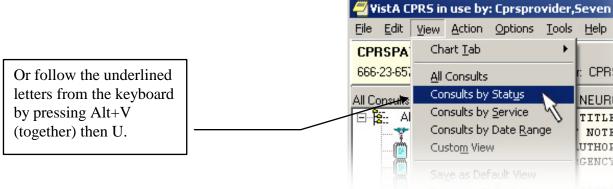


2. Select the service you want:

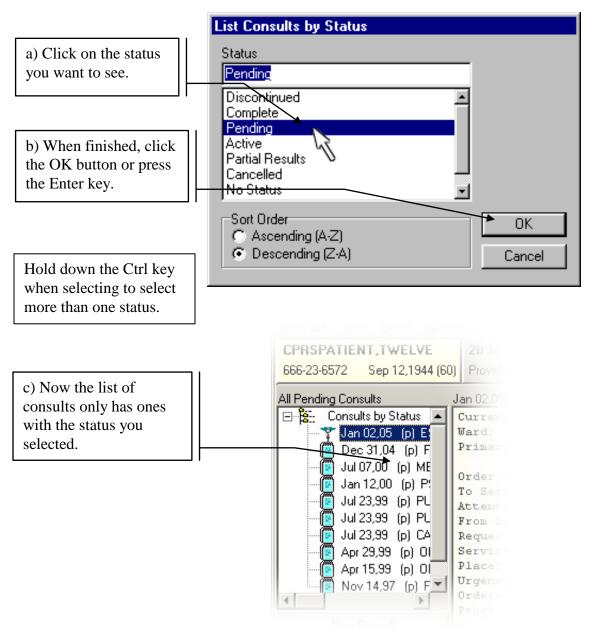


#### View by Status

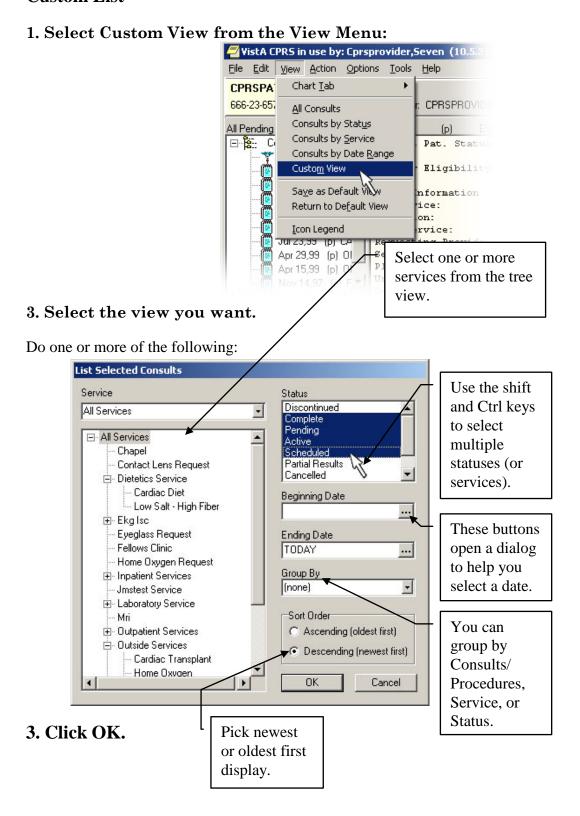
#### 1. Select Consults by Status from the View Menu:



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



#### **Custom List**



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	<b>GUI Menu Command</b>
	NYM	
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
ERAN

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
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                                                       Page:
                                                                1 of
CPRSPATIENT, FOUR 666-44-2222 8E/3E101-1
                                                    MAR 3,1960 (40) <AD>
                                                             Wt.(lb): 184
   Requested St No.
                         Consult/Procedure Request
                    1766 EYE CLINIC Cons
   10/06/00
         Enter ?? for more actions
SP Select Patient RT Results Display
                                                ER Edit/Resubmit
                      PF Print Form 513
CV Change View ...
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 key:
      'a' - active 'c' - complete 'dc' - discontinued 'p' - pending 'x' - cancelled 'pr' - partial results 's' - scheduled 'e' - expired
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
                                                              ST
                                                                   Search List
                              PS Print Screen
PT Print List
                                                              EX
                                                                   Exit
    Go to Page
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:

CON	CONSULT TRACKING Oct 06, 2000 08:26:04 Page: 1 of 2									2	
CPRSPATIENT, FOUR			666-44-2	2222 8E,	/3E101	L-1	MAR	3,1960	. ,	<ad></ad>	
								1	Wt.(lb):	184	
	Requested	St	No.	Consult/Pi	rocedi	ıre Request					
1	11/17/98	X	1211	BRONCHOSCO	PY PU	JLMONARY Proc					
2	07/13/98	С	1112	*PULMONARY	Cons						
3	06/18/98	С	1062	*PULMONARY	Cons						
4	06/12/98	С	1050	PULMONARY	Cons						
5	06/08/98	С	1028	PULMONARY	Cons						
6	06/04/98	dc	1022	PULMONARY	Cons						
7	05/27/98	dc	940	PULMONARY	Cons						
8	05/20/98	dc	919	PULMONARY	Cons						
9	05/13/98	С	898	*PULMONARY	Cons						
10	05/01/98	С	881	PULMONARY	Cons						
11	04/15/98	С	843	PULMONARY	Cons						
12	03/16/98	С	827	PULMONARY	Cons						
+	Ente	r ??	for more	e actions							
SP	Select Pati	ent	FR Forv	vard	CT	Complete/Upda	ite F	T Resu	lts Disp	lay	
CV	Change View		CX Cand	cel (Deny)	MA	Make Addendum	ı F	F Print	t Form 5	13	
RC	Receive		DC Disc	continue	SF	Sig Findings	F	M Remov	ve Med R	slt	
SC	Schedule		CM Add	Comment	DD	Detailed Disp	lay E	R Edit	/Resubmi	t Select:	
Nex	kt Screen//										

Each action is described in detail in the **Actions** section of **Package** Reference starting on page 117.

## **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
                                                             Page:
                                                                      1 of
                                                                              1
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
                                                  Standard Deviation: 104.7
Mean Days To Complete: 46.8
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...
```

```
Oct 06, 2000 08:31:39
Service Consults by Status
                                                           Page:
                                                                    1 of
                                                                            5
To Service: PULMONARY
From: ALL
           To: OCT 6,2000
            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
         CPRS RELEASED ORDER 09/19/00 CPRSATIENT, FIV (1111) 2B MED
Pending
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
                            06/03/99 CPRSATIENT, EIG (2345) ONCOLOGY
          PRINTED TO
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
    Service
                        Status
                                            Number on/off
                                                               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	Update Actions		RELATED OE/RR STATUS	Comment
Added Comment		X	X		Review users can add a
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		CANCELLE D	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		DISCONTIN UED	No longer includes Denied.
Edit Before Release	Obs o- lete			UNRELEAS ED	Moved unreleased consults to Order Entry in CPRS conversion.
Edit/Resubmitte d	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	X	PARTIAL	Based on Complete/Update
Added		RESULTS/	action and/or TIU actions.
		COMPLETE	

# Consult Action/Status Overview (Continued)

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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**

- **DD** 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.
- ER 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.

Q The *Quit* action exits all Consults options.

## **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.
- RC 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.

- SC 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.



Type the comment.

Select the **Send Alert** check box.

Select individuals you want to receive a notification.

Choose OK.

Choose OK again.



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 37).

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
```

```
CONSULT TRACKING
                                     Jun 19, 1997 04:21:18
                                                                           Page:
                                                                                      1 of
                                                                     DEC 4,1949 (50)
CPRSPATIENT, FOUR 666-43-8796
                                                                                            <CAD>
                                               2B M
                                                                                Wt.(lb): 184
   Requested St No. Consult/Procedure Request
                        999 PULMONARY Consult
  02/03/97 a
2 02/03/97 a
                       989 PULMONARY Consult
  02/03/97 d 989 PULMONARY CONSULT

02/03/97 c 929 *PULMONARY Consult

02/03/97 c 873 *PULMONARY Consult

01/09/97 c 872 PULMONARY UGI

09/06/96 dc 500 PULMONARY ECHO

03/05/92 dc 444 PULMONARY Electrocardiogram
3
            Enter ?? for more actions
SP Select Patient FR Forward
                                                 CT Complete/Update RT Results Display
                                                 MA Make Addendum PF Print Form 513
SF Sig Findings RM Remove Med Rslt
CV Change View ... CX Cancel (Deny)
               CM Add Comment
RC Receive
                        DC Discontinue
SC Schedule
                                                 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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```
Jun 19, 1997 04:22:02
CONSULT TRACKING
                                                                    1 of
                                                            Page:
CPRSPATIENT, FOUR 666-43-8796
                                     2B M
                                                       DEC 4,1949 (50)
                                                                         <CAD>
                                                                Wt.(lb): 184
                          Consult/Procedure Request
   Requested St
                    No.
  02/03/97
                    999
                          PULMONARY Consult
             х
  02/03/97
                    989
                          PULMONARY Consult
3 02/03/97
                    929 *PULMONARY Consult
             C
  02/03/97
                    873 *PULMONARY Consult
             C
 01/09/97
             C
                    872 PULMONARY UGI
                          PULMONARY ECHO
  09/06/96
             dc
                    500
  03/05/92
             dc
                    444
                          PULMONARY Electrocardiogram
               ?? for more actions
                                       CT Complete/Update RT Results Display
SP Select Patient
                   FR Forward
CV Change View ...
                                       MA Make Addendum
                                                           PF Print Form 513
                   CX Cancel (Deny)
RC Receive
                   DC Discontinue
                                       SF Sig Findings
                                                           RM Remove Med Rslt
                   CM Add Comment
                                       DD Detailed Display ER Edit/Resubmit
SC Schedule
Select: Quit//
```

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 113.

```
Jul 30, 1997 09:21:02
CONSULT TRACKING
                                                                                                                                  Page: 1 of
 CPRSPATIENT, FOUR 666-43-8796
                                                                                  2B M
                                                                                                                        DEC 4,1949 (50)
                                                                                                                                                               <CAD>
                                                                                                                                        Wt.(lb): 184
        Requested St No. Consult/Procedure Request
Requested St No. Consult/Procedure Request

1 10/06/00 p 1766 EYE CLINIC Cons

2 09/21/00 p 1764 Electrocardiogram CARDIOLOGY Proc

3 04/25/00 s 1713 CARDIOLOGY Cons

4 03/21/00 c 1701 CARDIOLOGY (SOUTH) Cons

5 02/22/00 pr 1687 PULMONARY (SOUTH) Cons

6 01/26/00 c 1665 CARDIOLOGY Cons

7 06/02/99 c 1483 VENTRICAL LEAD IMPLANT CARDIOLOGY

8 04/29/99 a 1455 CARDIOLOGY (oex) CARDIOLOGY Cons

9 02/18/99 x 1395 CARDIOLOGY Cons

10 01/06/99 c 1322 M'S SPECIALTY SEA-M'S SPECIALTY Cons

11 01/05/99 c 1310 *GASTROENTEROLOGY CARDIOLOGY Cons

12 01/04/99 c 1287 CARDIOLOGY Cons
                                            1483 VENTRICAL LEAD IMPLANT CARDIOLOGY Proc
                                            1322 M'S SPECIALTY SEA-M'S SPECIALTY Cons
                                              1287 CARDIOLOGY Cons
12
        01/04/99
                     Enter ?? for more actions
SP Select Patient RT Results Display
CV Change View ... PF Print Form 513
DD Detailed Display CM Add Comment
                                                       RT Results Display
                                                                                                                ER Edit/Resubmit
 Select Consult: Next Screen// CV
                                                                           Change View ...
```

```
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>
```

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```
CONSULT TRACKING
                                  Jul 30, 1997 09:21:10
                                                                     Page:
                                                                              1 of
CPRSPATIENT, FOUR 666-43-8796
                                                               DEC 4,1949 (50)
                                                                                    <CAD>
                                           2B M
                                                                         Wt.(lb): 184
    Requested St
                               Consult/Procedure Request
                        No.
    10/06/00 p
09/21/00 p
04/25/00 s
                        1766 EYE CLINIC Cons
                        1764
                               Electrocardiogram CARDIOLOGY Proc
    04/25/00 s 1713 CARDIOLOGY Cons
04/29/99 a 1455 CARDIOLOGY (oex) CARDIOLOGY Cons
3
```

#### 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 40 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 122.

### **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
```

```
Nov 01, 1997 13:55:32
CONSULT TRACKING
                                                                  Page:
                                                                           1 of
CPRSPATIENT, FOUR 666-43-8796
                                          2B M
                                                              DEC 4,1949 (50)
                                                                                   <CAD>
                                                                       Wt.(lb): 184
  Requested St No. Consult/Procedure 11/01/97 c 675 PULMONARY Consult 10/06/00 p 566 EYE CLINIC Cons 09/21/00 p 464 Electrocardiogram
                              Consult/Procedure Request
1
2
                        464 Electrocardiogram CARDIOLOGY Proc
           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
              CM Add Comment
                     DC Discontinue
                                            SF Sig Findings
                                                                  RM Remove Med Rslt
SC Schedule
                                            DD Detailed Display ER Edit/Resubmit
Select:Quit// DD Detail Display
```

```
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.

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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

Ward: 2B

Eligibility: SC VETERAN From Service: To Service: PULMONARY Reason For Request: Pt experiences

Pt experiences shortness of breath when out of

bed.

Status: COMPLETE

CPRSPROVIDER, TWO ATTENTION:

Place: Bedside Urgency: Routine

Ordering Clinician Entered By Request Activity Date/Time 11/01/97 10:13 CPRSPROVIDE, ONE CPRSPROVIDE, ONE RECEIVED 11/01/97 10:15 CPRSPROVIDER, ONE CPRSPROVIDER, ONE

+ Enter ?? for more actions

Select Action:Next Screen// <Enter>

CONSULTS DETAILED DISPLAY Nov 01, 1997 14:00:20 CONSULT DETAILED DISPLAY Page:

Consult No.: 675

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

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

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 

Document Status: COMPLETED Urgency: None 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>

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CONSULTS DETAILED DISPLAY Nov 01, 1997 14:02:13 Page: 3 of 5
CONSULT DETAILED DISPLAY Consult No.: 675
CPRSPATIENT, TWO 666-67-1996 DOB: MAR 5,1949 (48) Wt. (1b): 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 bronchospastic 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: 4 of 5 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>

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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
```

```
Jun 19, 1997 09:31:19
CONSULT TRACKING
                                                                     Page:
                                                                              1 of
                                                                                      1
CPRSPATIENT, FOUR 666-43-8796
                                           2B M
                                                                DEC 4,1949 (50)
                                                                                    <CAD>
                                                                         Wt.(lb): 184
    Requested St
                       No.
                                Consult/Procedure Request
    10/06/00 p
                       1766 EYE CLINIC Cons
                       1764 Electrocardiogram CARDIOLOGY Proc
1713 CARDIOLOGY Cons
   04/25/00 c
3
   04/25/00 c
03/21/00 c
                       1701 CARDIOLOGY (SOUTH) Cons
   02/22/00 pr 1687 PULMONARY (SOUTH) Cons
01/26/00 c 1665 CARDIOLOGY Cons
06/02/99 c 1483 VENTRICAL LEAD IMPLANT
6
                       1483 VENTRICAL LEAD IMPLANT CARDIOLOGY Proc
1455 CARDIOLOGY (oex) CARDIOLOGY Cone
    06/02/99
               С
               C
X
8
    04/29/99
    02/18/99
                       1395 CARDIOLOGY Cons
9
10 01/06/99
               С
                       1322 MARCIA'S SPECIALTY SEA-MARCIA'S SPECIALTY Cons
11 01/05/99
                         1310 *GASTROENTEROLOGY CARDIOLOGY Cons
12
    01/04/99
                         1287 CARDIOLOGY Cons
                C
           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 And Resubmit

CM Add Comment DD Detailed Display ER Edit/Resubmit
RC Receive
SC Schedule
                                                                   RM Remove Med Rslt
                      CM Add Comment
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>
```

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CON	ISULT TRACKII	NG		Jun 19,	1997	09:31:58		Page:	1 of	1
CPR	SPATIENT, FO	JR 66	6-43-8796	·	2B M		DEC	4,1949	(50)	<cad></cad>
								Wt	(lb):	184
	Requested	St	No.	Consult/Pr	ocedu	re Request				
1	10/06/00	р	1766	EYE CLINIC	Cons					
2	09/21/00			Electrocar	diogr	am CARDIOLOG	Y Pro	C		
3	04/25/00	dc	1713	CARDIOLOGY	Cons					
4	03/21/00	С	1701	CARDIOLOGY	(SOU	TH) Cons				
5	02/22/00	pr	1687	PULMONARY	(SOUT	H) Cons				
6	01/26/00	С	1665	CARDIOLOGY	Cons					
7	06/02/99	С	1483	VENTRICAL	LEAD	IMPLANT CARD	IOLOG	Y Proc		
8	04/29/99	С	1455	CARDIOLOGY	(oex	c) CARDIOLOGY	Cons	3		
9	02/18/99	х	1395	CARDIOLOGY	Cons					
10	01/06/99	С	1322	MARCIA'S S	PECIA	LTY SEA-MARC	IA'S	SPECIAI	TY Cons	5
11	01/05/99	C	1310 *	GASTROENTE	ROLOG	Y CARDIOLOGY	Cons	3		
12	01/04/99	С	1287	CARDIOLOGY	Cons					
	Ente:	r ??	for more	actions						
SP	Select Patio	ent	FR Forwa	ırd	СТ	Complete/Upda	ate	RT Resu	ılts Dis	splay
CV	Change View		CX Cance	el (Deny)	MA	Make Addendu	m	PF Prir	nt Form	513
RC	Receive		DC Disco	ntinue	SF	Sig Findings		RM Remo	ove Med	Rslt
SC	Schedule		CM Add C	Comment	DD	Detailed Disp	play	ER Edit	:/Resubr	nit
Sel	Select Consult: Quit//									

### **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 162 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 **37**.

# Make Addendum (MA) Action

The Make Addendum action allows one or more people to add there 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 92.

## **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:

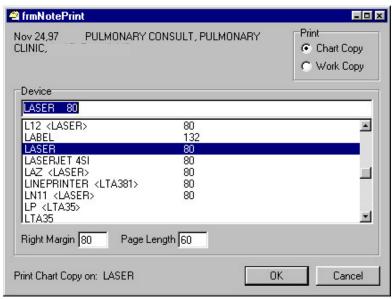
From the Consults tab, select the consult you want to print.

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 43.

### **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 2 Page: 1 of Consult No.: 208 CONSULT DETAILED DISPLAY CPRSPATIENT, FOUR 666-43-8796 2B M DEC 4,1949 (50) <CAD> Current Inpatient/Outpatient: Inpatient 1A 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 Date/Time Request Activity Ordering Clinician Entered By 03/05/97 16:09 CPRSPROVIDER, TWO CPRSPROVIDER, TWO ENTERED IN OE/RR // 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 39 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
                         Feb 13, 1998 13:34:56
                                                       Page: 1 of 1
Consult/Request Alerts
CPRSPATIENT, FOUR 666-43-8796
                                                        DEC 4,1949 (50)
                                                                           <CAD>
                                     2B M
                                                                 Wt.(lb): 184
Number
                   Stat Service
                                           Procedure
          Date
          02/14/97 p
187
                         NEUROLOGY
                                           Consult
        Enter ?? for more actions
SP Select Patient FR Forward
                                        CT Complete/Update RT Results Display
                                        MA Make Addendum PF Print Form 513
SF Sig Findings RM Remove Med Rslt
CV Change View ... CX Cancel (Deny)
RC Receive
                   DC Discontinue
SC Schedule
                   CM Add Comment
                                        DD Detailed Display ER Edit/Resubmit
Select: Quit// RC Receive Request
Who received it?: CPRSPROVIDER, ONE
                                           OC
                                      (FEB 13, 1998@13:36)
Date/Time Actually Received: NOW//
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```

NumberDateStatServiceProcedure18702/14/97 aNEUROLOGYConsult

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 67 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 87.

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
    03/02/01 p 599 ELECTROCARDIOGRAM CARDIOLOGY Proc 02/21/01 c 597 ELECTROCARDIOGRAM CARDIOLOGY Proc
2
    10/10/96 a
                       242 ELECTROCARDIOGRAM CARDIOLOGY Proc
                       187 CARDIOLOGY CLINIC Cons
    09/08/95 c
    08/14/95 pr
08/14/95 c
                       183 12 LEAD STAT EKG CARDIOLOGY Proc
184 12 LEAD STAT EKG CARDIAC TRANSPLANT Proc
5
    08/14/95 c
    04/29/94 pr
04/29/94 pr
04/29/94 pr
                        53 ECHO CARDIOLOGY Proc
                       54 ECHO CARDIOLOGY Proc
8
    04/29/94 p
                        55 ECHO 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
RC Receive
                      DC Discontinue
                                             SF Sig Findings
                                                                  RM Remove Med Rslt
                     CM Add Comment
                                             DD Detailed Display ER Edit/Resubmit
SC Schedule
Select: Quit//RM
```

CHOOSE No. 1-9: 1

```
Mar 02, 2001@11:34:48
                                                                       1 of
Procedure/Medicine Resulting
                                                              Page:
                                                                               1
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//  ${f Y}$  YES

## **Results Display (RT) Action**

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:

```
C S L T R E S U L T S D I S P L A Y
3-8796 2B M DEC 4,1949 (50)
CPRSPATIENT, FOUR 666-43-8796
                                                                                <CAD>
  ----- ELECTROCARDIOGRAM SUMMARY REPORT ------
DIAGNOSIS
Interpretation Code (rhythm): SINUS TACHYCARDIA Interpretation Code (config): ABNORMAL ECG
INDICATIONS
Type OF EKG:
                                  STAT RETRIEVAL
SUMMARY
Summary:
                                  ABNORMAL
Summary procedure:
                                  Sinus rhythm has replaced atrial flutter
Press return to continue or "^" to escape
                                               <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
                                                             Page:
                                                                              1
                                                                      1 of
CPRSPATIENT, FOUR 666-43-8796
                                      2B M
                                                        DEC 4,1949 (50) <CAD>
                                                                   Wt.(lb): 184
                     No. Consult/Procedure Request
1561 EXERCISE TOLERANCE TEST CARDIOLOGY Proc
    Requested St
   07/22/99 p
05/20/99 p
                     1470 CARDIOLOGY (oex) CARDIOLOGY Cons
2
              р
                    1437 CARDIOLOGY (oex) CARDIOLOGY Cons
    04/13/99 c
    04/01/99 c
                     1429 CARDIOLOGY (oex) CARDIOLOGY Cons
    02/26/99 c
                     1406 CARDIOLOGY Cons
    01/05/99
                      1312
              C
                           CARDIOLOGY Cons
                      1290 *CARDIOLOGY Cons
    01/04/99
              C
    12/18/98 c
                      1252 CARDIOLOGY Cons
    12/14/98
                      1234 CARDIOLOGY 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//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...
```

```
CONSULT TRACKING
                             Jun 08, 2000 21:16:45
                                                            Page:
                                                                     1 of
CPRSPATIENT, FOUR 666-43-8796
                                                       DEC 4,1949 (50)
                                                                        <CAD>
                                     2B M
                                                                  Wt.(lb): 200
   Requested St
07/22/99 p
05/20/99 s
                     No.
                           Consult/Procedure Request
                     1561 EXERCISE TOLERANCE TEST CARDIOLOGY Proc
                    1470 CARDIOLOGY (oex) CARDIOLOGY Cons
2
3
   04/13/99 c
                    1437 CARDIOLOGY (oex) CARDIOLOGY Cons
                    1429 CARDIOLOGY (oex) CARDIOLOGY Cons
4
   04/01/99
             С
             С
5
   02/26/99
                     1406 CARDIOLOGY Cons
                    1312 CARDIOLOGY Cons
6
   01/05/99
              С
             С
                    1290 *CARDIOLOGY Cons
7
   01/04/99
8
   12/18/98 c
                    1252 CARDIOLOGY Cons
   12/14/98 c
                    1234 CARDIOLOGY Cons
         Enter ?? for more actions
                                       CT Complete/Update RT Results Display
SP Select Patient FR Forward
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//
```

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

This option allows you to change patients at any time.

#### Example:

```
Jun 20, 1997 14:44:26
CONSULT TRACKING
                                                          Page:
                                                                 1 of
CPRSPATIENT, FOUR 666-43-8796
                                    2B M
                                                     DEC 4,1949 (50) <CAD>
                                                              Wt.(lb): 184
   Requested St
                          Consult/Procedure Request
                    No.
   08/18/99 a 1586 PULMONARY Cons
   08/18/99 a
                   1585 PULMONARY Cons
2
   06/23/99 c
                    1545 PULMONARY Cons
         Enter ?? for more actions
SP Select Patient FR Forward
                                      CT Complete/Update RT Results Display
                                      MA Make Addendum
CV Change View ... CX Cancel (Deny)
                                                         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// SP New Patient
```

```
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
```

CONSULT TRACKING	Jun 20, 1997 14:44:38	Page: 1 of 1
CPRSPATIENT, THREE	666-12-3456 2B	MAR 3,1960 (40) <ad> Wt.(lb): 184</ad>
Requested St	No. Consult/Procedure Request	
1 09/14/98 c	1163 PULMONARY Cons	
2 09/09/98 dc	1162 PULMONARY Cons	
3 07/14/98 dc	1116 PULMONARY Cons	
4 07/14/98 c	1114 *CARDIOLOGY 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
Select: 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
                                                         Page:
                                                          MAR 3,1960 (40)
CPRSPATIENT, THREE
                             666-12-3456
                                           2B
                                                                            <AD>
                                                               Wt.(lb): 184
   Requested St
                     No.
                           Consult/Procedure Request
   09/21/00 p
1
                     1764 Electrocardiogram CARDIOLOGY Proc
                     1713 CARDIOLOGY Cons
1665 CARDIOLOGY Cons
   04/25/00
              C
3
   01/26/00
              C
                    1483 VENTRICAL LEAD IMPLANT CARDIOLOGY Proc
   06/02/99
              C
   04/29/99 c
                    1455 CARDIOLOGY (oex) CARDIOLOGY Cons
   02/18/99 x
                    1395 CARDIOLOGY Cons
6
   01/05/99
                     1310 *GASTROENTEROLOGY CARDIOLOGY Cons
             C
8
   01/04/99
                     1287
              С
                           CARDIOLOGY Cons
                     1249 CARDIOLOGY Cons
   12/18/98
              C
10 10/09/98
                    1184 CARDIOLOGY Cons
             C
11 08/24/98 dc
                    1144 CARDIOLOGY Cons
                     1113 *CARDIOLOGY Cons
12
  07/13/98
              C
         Enter ?? for more actions
SP Select Patient
                  FR Forward
                                       CT Complete/Update RT Results Display
                                                          PF Print Form 513
CV Change View ... CX Cancel (Deny)
                                      MA Make Addendum
                   DC Discontinue
                                       SF Sig Findings
                                                         RM Remove Med Rslt
RC Receive
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...
```

CON	SULT TRACKI	NG		May 01, 1	L998	14:52:28	P	age:	1 of	2	
CPF	RSPATIENT, TH	REE		666-12-3	156	2B		MAR 3	,1960 (40	)	<ad></ad>
									Wt.(lb):	184	
	Requested	St	No.	Consult/Pro	ocedi	ıre Request					
1	09/21/00	р	1764	*Electrocard	diog	cam CARDIOLOG	GY Pro	C			
2	04/25/00	С	1713	CARDIOLOGY	Cons	5					
3	01/26/00	C	1665	CARDIOLOGY	Cons	3					
4	06/02/99	С	1483	VENTRICAL 1	LEAD	IMPLANT CARI	DIOLOG	Y Pro	С		
5	04/29/99	С	1455	CARDIOLOGY	(oe:	c) CARDIOLOGY	Y Cons	;			
6	02/18/99	x	1395	CARDIOLOGY	Cons	3					
7	01/05/99	С	1310	*GASTROENTE	ROLO	GY CARDIOLOGY	Y Cons	;			
8	01/04/99	С	1287	CARDIOLOGY	Cons	3					
9	12/18/98	С	1249	CARDIOLOGY	Cons	3					
10	10/09/98	С	1184	CARDIOLOGY	Cons	5					
11	08/24/98	dc	1144	CARDIOLOGY	Cons	5					
12	07/13/98	С	1113	*CARDIOLOGY	Cons	3					
+	Ente	r ??	for more	actions							
SP	Select Pati	ent	FR Forw	ard	CT	Complete/Upo	date	RT Re	sults Dis	play	,
CV	Change View	•	CX Cano	el (Deny)	MA	Make Addendu	am	PF Pr	int Form	513	
RC	Receive		DC Disc	ontinue	SF	Sig Findings	5	RM Re	move Med	Rslt	
SC	Schedule		CM Add	Comment	DD	Detailed Dis	splay	ER Ed	it/Resubm	it	
Se]	ect: Next S	creen	//				_				

## **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 four notifications relating to consults:

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 effects 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.

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

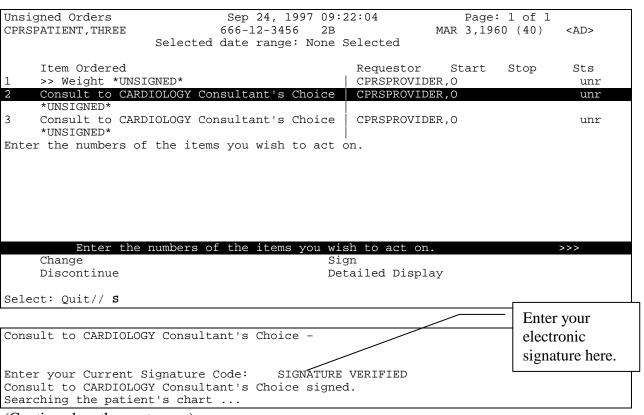
1. CPRSPATIENT,ONE (C4723): New order(s) placed.
2. CPRSPATIENT,THREE (C3456): Consult/Request DENIED To Service: PODIATRY
3. CPRSPATIENT,ONE (C4723): Order requires electronic signature.

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	Sep 24, 1997 09:	22:04	Page:	1 of 1	
CPRSPATIENT, THREE	666-12-3456 2B	1	MAR 3,1960	(40)	<ad></ad>
Sel	ected date range: None	Selected			
Item Ordered		Requestor	Start	Stop	ts
1 >> Weight *UNSIGNED	*	CPRSPROVIDE		БСОР	unr
3	GY Consultant's Choice	!	•		
*UNSIGNED*	GY Consultant's Choice	CPRSPROVIDE	₹,0		unr
3 Consult to CARDIOLO *UNSIGNED*	GY Consultant's Choice	CPRSPROVIDE	₹,0		unr
Enter the numbers of the	items you wish to act	า วท			
	Tooms for wish or doo				
Enter the numb	ers of the items you wi	sh to act on.			>>>
+ Next Screen	- Previous Scree	n	Q Quit		
Select: Ouit// 2					



Select: Quit//

Unsigned Orders Sep 24, 1997 09:22:04 Page: 1 of 1 CPRSPATIENT, THREE 666-12-3456 MAR 3,1960 (40) 2B <AD> Selected date range: None Selected Item Ordered Start Stop Requestor ts >> Weight \*UNSIGNED\* CPRSPROVIDER,O 1 unr Consult to CARDIOLOGY Consultant's Choice CPRSPROVIDER, O 3 unr \*UNSIGNED\* Enter the numbers of the items you wish to act on. 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
  5
         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
                                                              Page:
                                                                      1
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
                                 ON/OFF For This User and Why
Notification
```

```
______
ABNORMAL IMAGING RESULTS

ABNORMAL LAB RESULT (INFO)

ABNORMAL LAB RESULTS (ACTION)

ADMISSION

CONSULT/REQUEST CANCEL/HOLD

CONSULT/REQUEST RESOLUTION

CONSULT/REQUEST UPDATED

CRITICAL LAB RESULT (INFO)

CRITICAL LAB RESULTS (ACTION)

CRITICAL LA
                                                                                                                ON OERR value is Enabled
  DECEASED PATIENT
                                                                                                                OFF OERR value is Disabled
  DISCHARGE
  DNR EXPIRING
                                                                                                                OFF OERR value is Disabled
ERROR MESSAGE

FLAG ORDER FOR CLARIFICATION

FLAGGED OI EXPIRING - INPT

FLAGGED OI EXPIRING - OUTPT

FLAGGED OI ORDER - INPT

FLAGGED OI ORDER - OUTPT

FLAGGED OI RESULTS - INPT

FLAGGED OI RESULTS - OUTPT

FOOD/DRUG INTERACTION

FREE TEXT

OFF OERR value is Disabled

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
                                                                                                              OFF User value is Disabled
                                                                                                                OFF OERR value is Disabled
  IMAGING RESULTS AMENDED
  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
                                                                                                             ON User value is Mandatory OFF OERR value is Disabled
  NEW SERVICE CONSULT/REQUEST
  NPO DIET MORE THAN 72 HRS
  ORDER CHECK
                                                                                                          OFF OERR value is Disabled
ORDER REQUIRES CHART SIGNATURE
ORDER REQUIRES CO-SIGNATURE
ORDER REQUIRES ELEC SIGNATURE
ORDER REQUIRES ELEC SIGNATURE
ORDERER-FLAGGED RESULTS
OFF OERR value is Mandatory
ORDERER-FLAGGED RESULTS
OFF OERR value is Mandatory
OFF OERR value is Disabled
OFF OERR value is Disabled
OFF OERR value is Disabled
  ORDER REQUIRES CHART SIGNATURE ON OERR value is Mandatory
                                                                                                             ON OERR value is Mandatory OFF OERR value is Disabled
                                                                                                             ON OERR value is Mandatory
                                                                                                     OFF OERR value is Disabled
OFF OERR value is Disabled
  STAT RESULTS
 TRANSFER FROM PSYCHIATRY UNSCHEDULED VISIT
                                                                                                              ON OERR value is Enabled
                                                                                                  OFF OERR value is Disabled
OFF OERR value is Disabled
  UNVERIFIED MEDICATION ORDER
  UNVERIFIED ORDER
                                                                                                              OFF OERR value is Disabled
  URGENT IMAGING REQUEST
                                      - 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
                 Enabled
                 Disabled
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:

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:

```
1. CPRSPATIE (C2342): NEW consult CAR (Routine)
2. CPRSPATIE (C2432): Consult COMPLETED: CAR
Select from 1 to 3
or enter ?, A I, F, P, M, R, or ^ to exit
or RETURN to continue: A

Processing alert: CPRSPATIENT, NINE (C2342): NEW consult (Routine)
```

```
Compiling Report...
```

```
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

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

Consult/Request Alerts Feb 13, 1998 13:44:53 Page: 1 of  $1\square$ 

CPRSPATIENT, NINE 666-24-2342 1A MAR 3,1960 (40) <AD>

Wt.(lb): 184 Number

Date St Service Procedure  $\square$  1 12/16/97 p 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 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)

Consult/Request Alerts Dec 19, 1997 08:13:01 Page: 1 of MAR 3,1960 (40) <AD> CPRSPATIENT, NINE 666-24-2342 1A

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 MA Make Addendum PF Print Form 513 SF Sig Findings ER Edit/Resubmit CV Change View ... CX Cancel (Deny) RC Receive DC Discontinue

SC Schedule CM Add Comment DD Detailed Display

Select Action: Quit// <Enter>

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. 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.

## **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
```

```
Feb 26, 1999 15:58:08
Edit Consult Order
                                                             1 of
                                                     Page:
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
 PROCEDURE:
 Performed as INPT OR OUTPT: Outpatient
       Enter ?? for more actions
ED Edit A Field
                      RS ReSubmit Consult
Select Action: Next Screen// <Enter>
```

```
Edit Consult Order
                                 Feb 26, 1999 16:01:18
                                                                     Page:
                                                                               2 of
                                                                                        2
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):
 ATTENTION (CONSULTANT):
7 PROVISIONAL DIAGNOS
8 REASON FOR REQUEST:
 PROVISIONAL DIAGNOSIS:
\overline{P}t 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 (Continued on the next page.)

Edit Consult Order Feb 02, 1999 10:44:38 2 2 of Page: Edit Consult for Patient CPRSPATIENT, NINE Consult Number: 1366 Sending Provider: CPRSPROVIDER, SEVEN + Field Name Current Field Contents 8 REASON FOR REQUEST:  $\overline{P}t$  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 of 2 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> QUIT

## **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.

## 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.

**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.

**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.

**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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