

# THE PHC CERNER LEARNER

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## SHOW 'EM HOW IT'S DONE

VGH is ramping up to go live with CST as well. The VPSA is asking for physicians from live sites to demonstrate to their VGH counterparts what the system looks like and how you use it. If you are a physician in Medicine, Surgery, Emergency, or Radiology and would be interested in hosting a 1 hour virtual demonstration (remunerated) – you can [click here](#) to register your interest.

## NEW NOTE TEMPLATE

There's a new addition to the notes you can generate from your Discharge mPage – a "Patient Discharge Medicine List" – which provides all the current medications and changes from the Patient Discharge Handout without the extraneous information. Great to generate after doing the discharge medication reconciliation to send to a pharmacy, in order to clarify medications which were stopped or changed.

Create Note

Gen Med Discharge Summary

Family Med/Hospitalist Discharge Summary

Patient Discharge Handout

Transfer Note

Patient Discharge Medication List

## FIND WHAT YOU SEEK

Finding the right document, test, or order in Cerner seems to be the #1 ongoing issue for users. Here are few tips to narrow down the vast amount of information and number of options contained in the system so you can find what you are looking for without wanting to pull your hair out.

## FINDING DOCUMENTS

When you are looking for a specific document, particularly one NOT written by a physician, it can be easy to get lost in a sea of 'Medication Administration Followup' notes. There is a default filter for 'Only physician notes' but it's also easy to create your own custom filter, or just filter for a specific note type on an ad hoc basis. See below for an example for finding notes from IPAC staff when you want to check if a patient has been cleared from a COVID perspective:

List	
Display :	Only... ▾
Note Type	▾
Infection Control Documentation	▾
Arranged By: Date	Newest At Top ▾
Infection Control Practitioner ...	13-Jan-2022 13:51:09 PST
COVID clearance	Noftall, Kyle Michael, RN
Infection Control Practitioner ...	11-Jan-2022 15:08:11 PST
COVID-19 Ct Values & Recomm...	Boddu, Sherly, RN

## FINDING ORDERS

I've said it before, I'll say it again, and I will keep saying it . . . don't drive yourself bonkers using the 'Orders' search for your routine, day to day ordering! There's just too many options on the dropdown search and you're way more likely to accidentally order that bloodwork as an outpatient order, or that ceftriaxone as IM injection by mistake. Plus, at least in my opinion, clicking >> typing – and with the Quick Orders I can place 80-90% of my orders without ever using a keyboard.

It's worth taking some time to get to know your Quick Orders tab and when there's something you can't find on there, simply add it as a favourite once you've found it on the search – and never have to search for it again! For a reminder on how to add favourites and personalize your Quick Orders, check out [Edition 8 of this newsletter](#).

The screenshot shows the Cerner Quick Orders interface. At the top, there are tabs for Rounding, Admission, Transfer/Discharge, Patient Dashboard, and Quick Orders. Below the tabs, there are several panels: PowerPlans (with a list of medical conditions), Medications (with a list of drug classes), Labs (with a list of lab tests), Imaging and Diagnostics (with a list of imaging studies), and New Order Entry (with a list of order types). The Labs panel is currently selected, showing a list of COVID-19 related tests and other lab tests.