

## Inpatient KRMS Downtime

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**Purpose or Principle or Introduction**

This procedure provides instructions for processing orders and resulting tests during and after KRMS downtime.

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**Scope**

This procedure is intended for all users.

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**Policy**

During KRMS Downtime, the laboratory receives either an electronic or a manual order.

Downtimes are classified as follows:

- 1) Short (a downtime of less than 4 hours for small laboratories and less than 2 hours for larger laboratories).
  - Only Stat and Timing Critical specimens are processed and tested during this category of downtime.
  - Staff might be asked to extend their working hours.
- 2) Long/Critical (a downtime of greater than 4 hours for small laboratories and greater than 2 hours for larger laboratories).
  - Routine, Stat, and Timing Critical specimens are processed and tested during this category of downtime.
  - Additional staff may be called in to work.

**Specimens to be performed at Regional Reference Laboratory must be accessioned after the system is back online before sending them.**

The Stat and abnormal results must be reported to ER, inpatient units and the provider for outpatients.

Post-downtime validation should be performed after the system is back online. Refer to the Computer Systems Validation Post Downtime Procedure LIS 01.1210

**Who To Notify**

- The person observing the unavailability of KRMS must call the Helpdesk.
- The supervisor is also notified of the outage.

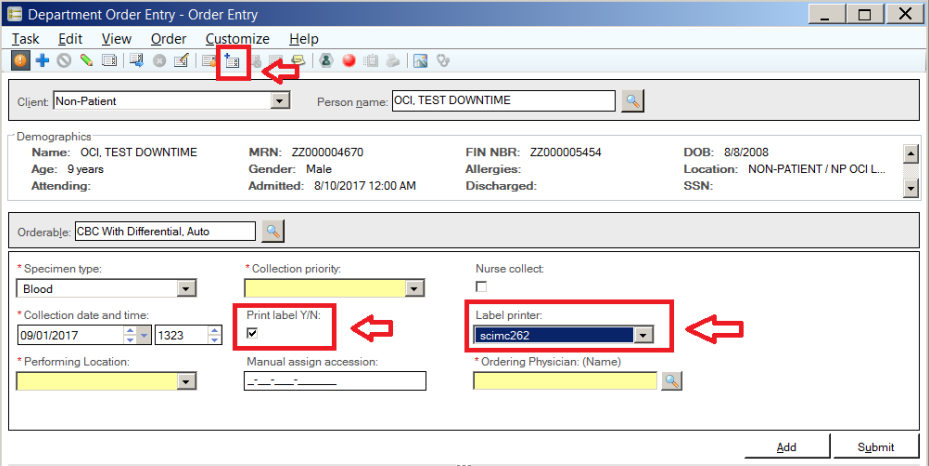
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<b>Notifying the Helpdesk</b>	
<b>Step</b>	<b>Action</b>
1	Call 8-330-1143 or 8-395-1143.
2	Menu is voice activated so you need to speak your response.
3	If it is an issue or major outage that's affecting patient care, say "Emergency". For anything else, stay on the line and wait for the helpdesk analyst to help you.
4	Describe the problem to the helpdesk analyst. Get the ticket number for the issue and the status bridge line number if available to call for status updates.
5	Notify the department sections that KRMS is down.

<b>DURING DOWNTIME        INPATIENT ORDERS        (LAB ASSISTANTS)</b>	
<b>Step</b>	<b>Action</b>
1	Inform the nursing stations that Cerner is down and that they would need to call the lab for any Stat or Timed draws.
2	Use the <b>KP Health Connect Ancillary Page</b> printout to determine orders for collection and processing. <b>Note:</b> For Routine and/or Send out specimens, save them on the side in a bucket to be processed when the system is back up. Process the sample as required if it needs plating, special handling, etc.
3	For <b>Stat</b> and <b>Timed draws</b> : Collect the samples using the 'Add New Container' function in KPPI. <b>Note:</b> If it is a Long/Critical downtime and the patient is a <b>New Admit</b> or from ER, the patient will not appear in KPPI. If not in KPPI, accession the sample using <b>Cerner Department Order Entry</b> and use the printed labels to draw the patient's sample. Another option is to manually handwrite the Patient information (2 identifiers) and collection information (date, time, initials) on the label.

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4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Accession the order/s in Cerner DOE (<b>Department Order Entry</b>).</li> <li>• Fill in all the required fields.</li> <li>• Use the “<b>Add order to scratch pad</b>” to net orders to one accession number.</li> <li>• Put a check mark on <b>Print Label</b> and select the <b>Label Printer</b> to have the labels print automatically after submitting the orders.</li> </ul>  <p><b>Note:</b> For Quest tests that have not been migrated over to Cerner: Accession the order/s using one of the following functions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SO (Outpatient Scheduled Order Accession), OE (Outpatient Order Entry Accession), CO (Outpatient Accession).</li> </ul> <p><b>Important!!!</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Make sure to select the correct tests when searching for the order. Most tests would have the ‘GL’. i.e. BUN GL.</b></li> </ul>
5	Validate that all labels have printed.
6	Affix the label to the appropriate specimen.
7	Complete the Specimen Log-In process.
8	Distribute the copies of the orders together with the specimens to the testing departments.

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INPATIENT ORDERS (CLS)	
Step	Action
1	Receive the specimen from the Lab assistant with the <b>KP Health Connect Ancillary Page</b> .
2	Perform the tests and enter the results using Cerner Instrument Queue mode or Accession mode.
3	Print the results from the instrument. Use the <b>stamp</b> for Temporary Lab Report Form and fill in all the required information. For Manual tests, perform the test and document the result on the Temporary Lab result Form.
4	Fax the results to the requesting location.
5	Results from Cerner/RMS will interface to Health Connect as soon as the system is back online.
6	Launch Cerner ORV and type in patient MRN. Select the order/s that are duplicate and cancel order/s with the reason: <b>Duplicate Request, test not performed</b> .
7	Complete a Post-downtime validation. Refer to the Computer Systems Validation Post Downtime Procedure LIS 01.1210
8	All faxed results, instrument printouts and HC order printouts are filed and are kept for 3 years.

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**Controlled Documents**

The following controlled documents support this policy.

Procedure
Computer Systems Validation Post Downtime

Form
Computer Systems Validation Post Downtime Log
Computer System Problem Logsheet

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