



CPOE Rules, Advisors, and Alerts

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Height/Weight/Allergy Rule

Discern: (1 of 1)

Cerner

Weight/Allergy

This patient does not have weight and allergies documented. Please document prior to placing an order.

Click here to launch the **Height/Weight/Allergies** PowerForm. (Be sure to check the ALL three are documented before signing the PowerForm.)

Enter Info **OK**

Medical Staff & Nurses Only: The Height/Weight/Allergy Rule causes an alert to fire to nursing and medical staff entering orders before the patient's height, dosing weight, and allergies profile has been updated on the current encounter. When presented with this window, click **ENTER NOW** to open the Height/Weight/Allergies PowerForm. Be sure that ALL three of these critical data are charted before signing the PowerForm. Once you have signed the PowerForm, click the OK button in this pop-up window to return to order entry.

Medication Clinical Decision Support (mCDS) & Multum Alerts

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Drug – Drug (Major Severity Alert)

TESTING, TAYLOR - 2189306

Medication Clinical Decision Support (mCDS) (Collapse All)

TESTING, TAYLOR - 2189306

The order was created with the following alerts:

warfarin (Coumadin) 1 mg, PO, Daily

Allergy

Drug/Drug (1)

DC	Severity	Medication	Details	Status	Interaction Information	Reason
<input type="checkbox"/>	Major-Contraindicated	clarithromycin (Biaxin)	500 mg = 1 TAB, PO, Every 12 Hour Interval	Ordered 03/31/2017 11:36	warfarin- clarithromycin	Select Override Reason

☒ Apply to all interactions
☐ Apply only to required interactions
☐ Apply only to selected

Override Reason
Select Override Reason

TESTING, TAYLOR - 2189306 [Continue](#) [Remove New Order](#)

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When a medication is being ordered that has an interaction of **MAJOR** or higher with a medication already on the patient's orders profile, a **Medication Clinical Decision Support** alert will appear. These windows contain many available options. Click the blue font to view **Interaction Information**. To discontinue the pre-existing order, place a checkmark in the box in the **DC** column and then click **Continue**. To remove the new order, click **Remove New Order**. To ignore the alert, choose an **Override Reason** from the dropdown and then click **Continue**.

Position-Specific Instructions

Unit Secretary/Unit Coordinator: Select Remove New Order and notify the nurse so that clarification can be obtained from the ordering physician.

Registered Nurse: If encountered while taking a verbal order, follow physician instructions. Otherwise, select Remove New Order and contact the orderer for clarification.

Drug - Allergy

TESTING, TAYLOR - 2189306

Medication Clinical Decision Support (mCDS) (Collapse All)

TESTING, TAYLOR - 2189306

The order was created with the following alerts:

morphine 15 mg, PO

Allergy (1)

Severity	Allergy	Medication	Details	Reaction Type	Allergy Comments	Reason
Severe	codeine	morphine	15 mg, PO	Allergy	Reaction Symptoms: Not entered Source: Not entered	Select Override Reason

Drug/Drug

☒ Apply to all interactions
☐ Apply only to required interactions
☐ Apply only to selected

Override Reason
Select Override Reason

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The mCDS alert will also appear when the patient has a documented allergy to the substance (or like substance) being ordered. The documented **Severity** displays in the first column on the left. If the **Reaction Symptoms** have been documented, they will also appear in the **Allergy Comments** column. Click the blue font for additional information. To remove the new order, click **Remove New Order**. To ignore the alert, choose an **Override Reason** from the dropdown and then click **Continue**.

Position-Specific Instructions

Unit Secretary/Unit Coordinator: Select **Remove New Order** and notify the nurse so that clarification can be obtained from the ordering physician.

Registered Nurse: If encountered while taking a verbal order, follow physician instructions. Otherwise, select **Remove New Order** and contact the orderer for clarification.

Dose Range Checking

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The screenshot shows two overlapping windows from the Cerner system. The main window is titled 'Dose Range Alert' and contains the following text:

Please note the following:

The ordered dose (5,000 mg PO Every 4 Hours 30 Days) is OVER the suggested dose range for this medication(acetaminophen)

Suggested SINGLE DOSE range: 325 - 1,000 mg. (5,000 mg for this order.)

Alert Action

☐ Cancel order

☐ Ignore alert

☒ Modify order

Alert History OK

The second window, titled 'Override Reason Form', is open over the 'Modify order' option. It contains a list of reasons to override the alert:

- Benefits outweigh risks
- Disagree with recommendation
- Other (see comment)
- Patient taking/tolerated
- Dialysis negates the issue

Below the list is a text area for 'Additional Freetext Override Reason:' and buttons for 'Cancel' and 'OK'.



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If a medication is ordered outside pre-defined ranges, the **Dose Range Alert** will fire. The **Alert Action** section of the pop-up window allows the orderer to **Cancel** the new order, **Ignore** the alert, or **Modify** the order before signing. If **Ignore** is selected, the **Override Reason Form** will appear. Make the appropriate selection and click **OK**.

Position-Specific Instructions

Unit Secretary/Unit Coordinator: Select **Cancel Order** and notify the nurse so that clarification can be obtained from the ordering physician.

Registered Nurse: If encountered while taking a verbal order, follow physician instructions. Otherwise, select **Cancel Order** and contact the orderer for clarification.

Advisors

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Central Line & Urinary Catheter

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Discern: TESTING, 6CARDTRAINING (1 of 1)

Patient Name: TESTING, 6CARDTRAINING
Location: 5BLA, BHAL - 01

Sex: MALE
Age: 54 Years

Height: 65.52 in / 5.46 ft / 168 cm
Weight: 149.60 lb / 68 kg

Central Line / Urinary Catheter Necessity Evaluation

Central Line - Left Single lumen 10 07/04/2016 PTA - Date known

☐ Discontinue Central Line

Reason(s) to continue Central Line:

☐ Administration of hypertonic solutions including total parenteral nutrition

☐ Administration of vasoactive/inotropic medication which cannot be given peripherally

☐ Hemodynamic monitoring

☐ Long term antibiotic therapy end date mm/dd/yyyy

☐ Venous access when no peripheral access available

☐ Other

--Select Deferral Reason--

--Select Deferral Reason--

Advisor Entered by Mistake (wrong patient)

Defer to other Physician

Require further evaluation

Reset OK --Select Deferral Reason--



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Medical Staff Only: Medical Necessity must be documented daily for the duration of time a patient has an indwelling urinary catheter and/or central line. Once either of these line types are documented by an RN, the **Central Line/Urinary Catheter Necessity Evaluation** advisor will pop-up for the medical team each day. Choose **Discontinue Catheter/Central Line** if the line is no longer medically necessary. Be sure to return to the orders profile to **Cancel/DC** the active **Foley Catheter (Insertion)** order. Otherwise, select the appropriate **Reason(s) to continue Central Line** and then click **OK**. If you are not the responsible caregiver, select a **Deferral Reason** from the dropdown menu(s) and then click **OK**.

Venous Thromboembolism (VTE)

Discern: TESTING, TAYLOR (1 of 1)

Patient Name: TESTING, TAYLOR Sex: Female Height: 64.35 in / 5.36 ft / 165 cm
Location: 6CARD :670 Age: 70 Weight: 173.80 lb / 79 kg

Discern Advisor® - VTE Prevention

2. Patient Type
Medical

3. Risk Factors: (Check yes if one or more apply)

The highest risk category for patient type met due to age of patient. Please continue to next question to determine recommendation.

4. Pharmacologic Contraindications: (Check all that apply)

Absolute		Relative	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NONE			
<input type="checkbox"/> Coagulopathy (non-therapeutic)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Thrombocytopenia
<input type="checkbox"/> Active Bleeding or Increased Risk of Bleeding	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Uncontrolled hypertension
<input type="checkbox"/> History of Heparin Induced Thrombocytopenia (HIT)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Infective endocarditis
<input type="checkbox"/> Thrombolytics given within past 24 hours	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Active hepatitis or hepatic insufficiency
<input type="checkbox"/> Severe Trauma	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Spinal tap or epidural catheter within next 24 hours	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other, Absolute		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other, Relative		

5. Renal Function and Rapid Onset HIT

Is Creatinine Clearance less than or equal to 30 mL/min?
☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ Unknown

Has the patient received unfractionated heparin within the last 100 days?
☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ Unknown

[Click Here for Recommendation](#)

Pharmacologic: Pick one pharmacologic agent. No relevant allergies found.

Fondaparinux is NOT RECOMMENDED for patients with any planned or possible invasive procedure or surgery: planned epidural, intrathecal or spinal anesthesia; planned spinal tap; critical care patients, CABG, acute trauma, neurological injuries, acute spinal cord injury, or bacterial endocarditis.

☐ fondaparinux ==> 2.5, mg, SUBCUTANEOUS, Daily
☐ enoxaparin ==> 40, mg, SUBCUTANEOUS, Daily
☐ heparin ==> 5000, Units, SUBCUTANEOUS, Every 12 Hours

Medical Low **Medical High** Surgical Low Surgical Moderate/High Surgical Very High

[Reset](#) [Document Risk Category and Add Orders](#) [--Select Deferral Reason--](#) [Exit](#)

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Medical Staff Only: Medical staff must complete a **VTE Risk Assessment** at admission and upon transfer (from one level of care to another). To assist with this, a rule has been built which causes this VTE Prevention advisor to appear to the patient's physician, PA, or APN during the ordering process. The questions asked are patient-type specific and will appear as each answer is selected. Once all questions have been addressed, click the **Click Here for Recommendation** button. Depending on the responses, there may be recommended orders. Make an appropriate selection and then click **Document Risk Category and Add Orders**. This will complete the advisor and place the selected order on the patient's profile. Otherwise, select the appropriate **Reason(s) to continue Central Line** and then click **OK**. If you are not the responsible caregiver, select a **Deferral Reason** from the dropdown menu(s) and then click **Exit**.

Venous Thromboembolism (VTE)

Discern: (2 of 2)

 **VTE Risk Assessment Not Done**

VTE Prophylaxis Advisor for this patient has not been completed. Please order and complete within 24 hours of admission

Add Order for:

☒ VTE Prophylaxis Advisor

OK



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Medical Staff: The VTE Risk Assessment advisor on the last slide is generated automatically when Admission PowerPlans are initiated and when the Transfer Review Complete order is placed. In the event that a physician, PA, or APN has deferred to another member of the team, this alert will fire to all medical staff entering orders until the advisor has been completed. If presented with this alert, click OK to launch the advisor window. Complete the advisor, being sure to click the **Click Here for Recommendation** button. Depending on the responses, there may be recommended orders. Make an appropriate selection and then click **Document Risk Category and Add Orders**. This will complete the advisor and place the selected order on the patient's profile. Otherwise, select the appropriate **Reason(s) to continue Central Line** and then click **OK**. If you are not the responsible caregiver, select a **Deferral Reason** from the dropdown menu(s) and then click **Exit**.

Rules

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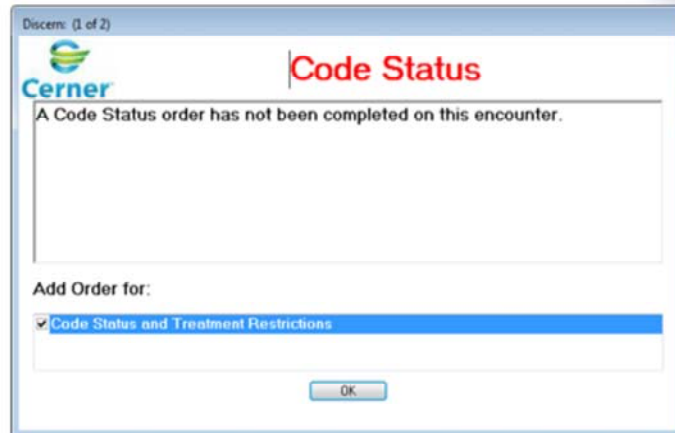


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Code Status

The code status rule will begin firing to the medical care team (physicians, PAs, and APNs) **12 hours** after admission to the hospital, if the code status has not been ordered.

When OK is clicked, the Code Status order will be added, requiring the provider to address any missing details.



The screenshot shows a Cerner alert dialog box titled "Discern: (1 of 2)". The Cerner logo is in the top left. The main heading is "Code Status" in red. Below it, a message states: "A Code Status order has not been completed on this encounter." There is a large empty text area for details. Under the heading "Add Order for:", there is a list with one item: "Code Status and Treatment Restrictions", which is selected with a blue highlight and a checkmark. At the bottom right is an "OK" button.

Medical Staff Only: If a Code Status has not been ordered within 12 hours of admission, members of the medical staff will receive this alert during order entry. Click **OK** to proceed with creating the **Code Status** order.

Latex Allergy – Nuclear Medicine

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Discern: (2 of 2)

Cerner

Latex Allergy

The patient has a documented latex allergy. Refer to Suggested Plans in the navigator band on the Orders Profile once the latex containing order is placed. Then initiate the allergy prophylaxis PowerPlan if appropriate.

Alert Action

☐ Cancel Brain Scan Nuc Med NM

Latex URL OK



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When a nuclear medicine scan is being ordered for a patient with a documented Latex allergy, this alert will fire. Click the **Latex URL** button for more information about the alert, if desired. Place a checkmark in the box next to **Cancel** order in the **Alert Action** section, if appropriate and click **OK**. Otherwise, to keep the order, click the **OK** button.


Position-Specific Instructions

Unit Secretary/Unit Coordinator: Select **Cancel** order and notify the nurse so that clarification can be obtained from the ordering physician.

Registered Nurse: If encountered while taking a verbal order, follow physician instructions. Otherwise, select **Cancel** order and contact the orderer for clarification.

Medication Renewal

Discern: Open Chart - TESTING, WYATT (1 of 1)

 **Medication Renewal**

Provider, please review the following medications that are scheduled to stop within the next 48hrs

metoprolol (Lopressor), 1 TAB, PO, Daily Stop DtTm: 02/04/17 09:00 Ordered By: TEST MD, PROVIDER

amoxicillin (Amoxil), 1 TAB, PO, Saturday Stop DtTm: 02/04/17 10:00 Ordered By: TEST, LOGICIAN

**** END OF LIST ****

Medical Staff & Nurses Only: If there are medications on the patient's orders profile due to expire within the next 48 hours, this alert will pop-up when the chart is opened.

Contrast Procedure Ordered for Patient Taking Metformin

Discern: (1 of 2)

Contrast Procedure/Metformin Order

This patient is taking Metformin. Metformin is contraindicated in the presence of intravascular iodinated contrast media. Please consider if Metformin is appropriate at this time. Preferably hold 48 hrs post procedure.

Alert Action

☐ Cancel CT Neck with Contrast 70491

OK

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When an imaging study with IV contrast is being ordered for a patient on metformin, this alert will fire. Place a checkmark in the box next to **Cancel** order in the **Alert Action** section, if appropriate and click **OK**. Otherwise, to keep the order, click the **OK** button.

Position-Specific Instructions

Unit Secretary/Unit Coordinator: Select **Cancel** order and notify the nurse so that clarification can be obtained from the ordering physician.

Registered Nurse: If encountered while taking a verbal order, follow physician instructions. Otherwise, select **Cancel** order and contact the orderer for clarification.

Metformin Ordered for Patient with Recent/Scheduled Contrast Procedure

Discern: (1 of 1)

Contrast Procedure/Metformin Order

You have ordered metFORMIN . (metFORMIN). This patient has a procedure with IV contrast ordered. Metformin is contraindicated in the presence of intravascular iodinated contrast media. Please consider if Metformin is appropriate at this time. Preferably hold 48 hrs post procedure.

Alert Action

☐ Cancel Medication Order

☐ Ignore Medication Alert

OK



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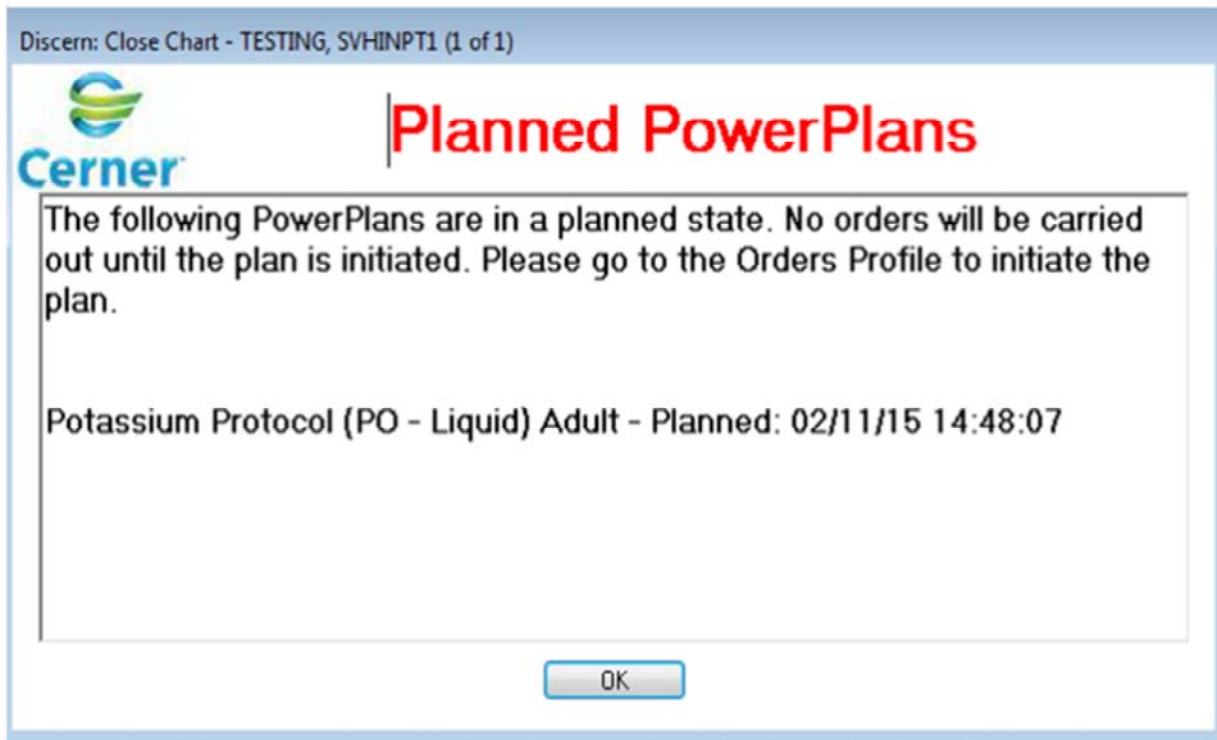
When metformin is being ordered for a patient with a recent/scheduled imaging study with IV contrast, this alert will fire. Select the radio button next to **Cancel Medication Order** in the **Alert Action** section, if appropriate and click **OK**. Otherwise, to keep the order, select **Ignore Medication Alert** and click the **OK** button. The **Override Reason Form** will appear.

Position-Specific Instructions

Unit Secretary/Unit Coordinator: Select **Cancel Medication Order** and notify the nurse so that clarification can be obtained from the ordering physician.

Registered Nurse: If encountered while taking a verbal order, follow physician instructions. Otherwise, select **Cancel Medication Order** and contact the orderer for clarification.

Non-Initiated PowerPlan (Inpatient)



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Medical Staff Only: Orders in PowerPlans in the Planned state are not active. Medical staff will be notified of the presence of un-initiated PowerPlans upon entering the patient's chart.

Duplicate Order Alert

Orderable	Order Details
CBC (CBC with Differential)	BLOOD, Routine, Start: 02/02/2017 13:12 EST, ONCE, Stop: 02/02/2017 13:12 EST, Lab Draw
CBC (CBC with Differential)	BLOOD, Routine, Start: 02/02/17 12:14:00 EST, ONCE, Stop: 02/02/17 14:00:00 EST, Lab Draw

Order Anyway Remove Cancel/DC Modify

OK Cancel

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Certain order types will fire duplicate alerts. Examples include: Labs, Medical Imaging Studies, Code Status, Diet. When presented with a duplicate alert, consider the order type and details. There are times when it's perfectly appropriate to have more than one order for the same item, e.g. STAT lab with follow-up lab in the AM. There are other times when it's not appropriate to have a duplicate, e.g. Code Status. Use the buttons at the bottom of the window to handle the others appropriately. To perform an action on one of the orders, click to highlight the order before clicking the appropriate button.

Vaccine Alert

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The image shows two overlapping windows from a Cerner EMR system. The background window is titled "Vaccine Alert(influenza) Form - TESTING, ABIGAIL L". It contains the following information:

- *Performed on: 02/06/2017 1311 EST
- By: ZZ, EVRN
- Vaccine Administration Overdue**
- This patient has an order for Influenza Vaccine. Administer this dose as soon as possible.
- This is part of a quality of care initiative.
- ☒ Yes I understand that I will continue to receive this alert until the task is charted.
- In Progress

The foreground window is a pop-up titled "Discern: Open Chart - TESTING, ABIGAIL L (2 of 2)". It features the Cerner logo and the text:

- Vaccine Alert(Influenza)**
- This patient has an order for Influenza Vaccine that is now overdue.
- Buttons: Open Form, OK



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Nurses Only: The **Vaccine Alert** will fire to nursing staff upon entering the patient's chart when an ordered vaccine has not been administered and documented. When presented with this window, click **Open Form**. Acknowledge the **Vaccine Administration Overdue** statement and then sign the PowerForm. Once you have signed the PowerForm, click the **OK** button in this pop-up window to return to the patient chart view. Be sure to administer and document the vaccine as appropriate.

Blood Consent for Jehovah's Witness (Nursing)

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Discern: Open Chart - TESTING, ABIGAIL L (1 of 2)

Cerner

Obtain Blood Consent

This patient is a Jehovah's Witness. The consent for Blood Mgt. Directive for Patients Declining Blood Transfusion must be completed. Refer to the instructions in the Obtain Consent for Jehovah's Witness order.

Blood Consent OK

ABIGAIL L

EST By: ZZ, EVRN

Obtain Blood Consent for Jehovah's Witness

This patient is a Jehovah's Witness.

The consent for Blood Mgt Directive for Patients Declining Blood Transfusion must be completed.

Refer to the instructions in the Obtain Blood Consent for Jehovah's Witness order.

For assistance contact the Patient Blood Mgt Department at 34928 or the Jehovah's Witness "hotline" at 207-799-3939.

I assume responsibility to complete this consent.

In Progress



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Nurses Only: The **Obtain Blood Consent** alert will fire to nursing staff upon entering the patient's chart when a patient is a documented Jehovah's Witness. When presented with this window, click **Blood consent**. Acknowledge the **Obtain Blood consent for Jehovah's Witness** statement and then sign the PowerForm. Once you have signed the PowerForm, click the **OK** button in this pop-up window to return to the patient chart view. Be sure to follow-up appropriately.

Blood Consent for Jehovah's Witness (Medical Staff)

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Discern: Open Chart - TESTING, ABBIGAIL L (1 of 2)

Cerner

Obtain Blood Consent

This patient is a Jehovah's Witness. Please complete the consent for Blood Mgt. Directive for Patients Declining Blood Transfusion. For assistance contact the Patient Blood Mgt. Department at 34928 or the Jehovah's Witness "Hotline" at 207-799-3939.

Blood Consent OK

ABBIGAIL L

By: HUGHES - TEST CPOE, BRUCE A

Obtain Blood Consent for Jehovah's Witness

This patient is a Jehovah's Witness.

Please complete the consent for Blood Mgt Directive for Patients Declining Blood Transfusion.

For assistance contact the Patient Blood Mgt Department at 34928 or the Jehovah's Witness "hotline" at 207-799-3939.

I assume responsibility to complete this consent.

☒ Yes
☐ Defer to Attending Physician

In Progress



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Medical Staff Only: The **Obtain Blood Consent** alert will fire to medical staff upon entering the patient's chart when a patient is a documented Jehovah's Witness. When presented with this window, click **Blood consent**. Acknowledge the **Obtain Blood consent for Jehovah's Witness** statement (by either assuming responsibility or deferring to another physician) and then sign the PowerForm. Once you have signed the PowerForm, click the **OK** button in this pop-up window to return to the patient chart view. Be sure to follow-up appropriately.