



Referral Management Pocket Reference

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Audience: Referral Coordinators
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Worklist Creation

1	Access Referral Management from either PowerChart or RevCycle.
2	Click on List Maintenance .
3	Click +Add .
4	Enter the name of the worklist using the naming conventions in the Referral Management Settings and Preferences document.
5	Choose the correct List Type: Originating or Receiving.
6	Select the Refer From/Refer To Location.
7	Select Status(es).
8	Click Save .

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Worklist Contents by Status

1	Originating: To Send – contains Not Started and Prep for Send statuses <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Newly created referrals that need to be started or need additional information gathered before sending.
2	Originating: Monitoring – contains Sent and Scheduled statuses <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sent referrals that have been scheduled by the receiving practice. Monitor to make sure that referrals are being scheduled timely.
3	Originating: Review – contains Rejected and Cancelled statuses <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If referral is not appropriate or patient has not responded, receiving facilities may reject or cancel referrals. Triage referrals as needed.
4	Originating: Complete – contains Complete and Closed statuses <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Patient has been seen and documentation sent back to originating facility. Review documentation, then close referral.
1	Receiving: Pending Acceptance – contains Pending Acceptance statuses <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Newly received referrals awaiting review and acceptance.
2	Receiving: Accepted – contains Accepted statuses <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Referrals awaiting scheduling.
3	Receiving: Reschedule – contains Pending Reschedule statuses <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Patient cancels or no shows original appointment. Patient needs to be contacted for rescheduling.
4	Receiving: On Hold – contains On Hold statuses <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Referrals awaiting additional information or return call from patient.
5	Receiving: Referral Completion – contains Patient Seen statuses <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Patient has been seen in clinic and documentation is complete. Documentation needs to be sent back to the referring facility and status updated to Completed.

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Worklist Modification

1	Access Referral Management from either PowerChart or RevCycle.
2	Click on List Maintenance .
3	Click on the worklist to be modified.
4	Edit as needed.
5	Click Save .
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Sending Outbound Referrals

1	Access Referral Management from either PowerChart or RevCycle.
2	Select the worklist Originating: To Send .
3	Click in the box next to the patient's name to open the referral.
4	Click Assign to me .
5	Click Start Referral .
6	Review the Summary tab.
7	Add the Refer to Provider or Refer to Location if needed. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Click Edit on the Summary tab. Click the magnifying glass next to Refer to Provider. Search for and select the appropriate provider or practice from the list. Click Accept.
8	Review the Comments tab and add comments as needed.
9	Review the Documents tab and attach any necessary documents. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Click on the document to preview it. Click Add to attach an available document to the referral. Click Remove to remove an attached document.
10	Review the Insurance tab. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Select the correct Health Plan to associate to the referral. Click Associate.
11	Click Edit to add Authorization information if needed.
12	Click Generate .
13	Review the Referral Summary Case Details.
14	Click Send . If referral is going to an internal practice, the process is complete.
15	If the referral is going to an external practice: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Add additional information as needed. Click Preview to view the letter and attached documents. Click OK to send.
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Receiving an Inbound Referral through Referral Management

1	Access Referral Management from RevCycle.
2	Select the worklist Receiving: Pending Acceptance .
3	Click in the box next to the patient's name to open the referral.
4	Review each tab of the referral details to determine whether the referral is appropriate for the clinic.
5	If appropriate, click Accept and continue to step 6. If not appropriate, click Reject and enter a comment. Stop here as nothing further is needed for this referral.
6	Click Assign to me .
7	Click Start Referral .
8	Go to the Scheduling tab.
9	Click New Appointment .
10	Proceed with scheduling process.

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Receiving an Inbound Referral through Other Means

1	Referrals may be received in other ways than through Referral Management (i.e., Message Center, Direct Trust, Fax, Work Queue Monitor, etc.).
2	Review document(s) and then scan or import into the patient's chart.
3	Access Referral Management from RevCycle.
4	Click Add Referral .
5	Search for and select the correct patient.
6	Click Add next to any associated documents to attach them to the referral.
7	Click on the document to preview it.
8	Click on the Case Details tab.
9	Enter all incoming referral information.
10	Click Next .
11	Review the Case Details and click Accept Referral .
12	Click Submit .
13	Select the worklist Receiving: Accepted .
14	Click in the box next to the patient's name to open the referral.
15	Click Assign to me .
16	Click Start Referral .
17	Go to the Scheduling tab.
18	Click New Appointment .
19	Proceed with scheduling process.

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Cancelling a Referral

1	If a patient does not respond after repeated attempts to contact for scheduling or opts not to schedule for any reason, navigate to the appropriate Receiving worklist (either Accepted or On Hold).
2	Click Filter to search for the patient or use the Patient-Centric Referrals tab.
3	Click in the box next to the patient's name to open the referral.
4	If in the Accepted status: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Click Edit next to the Accepted Status. Select Cancelled. Select a Reason. Enter comments as needed. Click Submit.
5	If in the On Hold status: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Click Edit next to the On Hold Status. Select Pending Acceptance. Click Edit next to the Pending Acceptance Status. Select Cancelled. Select a Reason. Enter comments as needed. Click Submit.
6	If referral was sent to an external practice, notify practice of cancellation.
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Completing Inbound Referrals

1	Once visit documentation has been completed by the provider, navigate to the Receiving: Referral Completion worklist.
2	Click Filter to search for the patient.
3	Click in the box next to the patient's name to open the referral.
4	Navigate to the Documents tab.
5	Click Add under Available Documents to attach the correct visit documentation to the referral. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> For manually added referrals, visit documentation must be sent back to the appropriate referring office.
6	Click Complete .
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Closing a Completed Referral

1	The Receiving facility will complete the referral (see Completing Inbound Referrals). The Originating facility will close the referral. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• If the referral was sent to an external facility, go to the Monitoring worklist, and mark the referral as Completed.
2	Navigate to the Originating: Complete worklist.
3	Click Filter to search for the patient.
4	Click in the box next to the patient's name to open the referral.
5	Navigate to the Documents tab.
6	Verify the appropriate visit documentation has been attached to the referral.
7	Click Close .

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