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In Basket: Viewing Messages

In Basket is a quick and easy way to communicate with your colleagues. From here, you can view and sort messages, search for messages based on a number of criteria, and respond to your messages.

Select the **In Basket** tab to access your messages. Folders that group types of messages appear in the left pane. For example, you might see **CC'd Charts** or **Referral Authorization** folders. If you have new messages, the folder title appears in bold, and the number of new messages appears in parentheses next to the folder name. If you have a new high-priority message, the folder appears with a red arrow.



View a message

- 1. Select the folder for the type of message you want (for example, **Result Notifications**).
- 2. Select a message to read its contents.

8 unread message(s)

Indicate that you're working on a pool message

When an In Basket message is sent to a pool that you're a part of, click the ? icon to take the baton for the message. The ? icon becomes a + icon, which indicates to other members of the pool that you're working on the message.

If you need to stop working on a message before you're able to complete it, click the + icon again to pass the baton back to the pool. The message then appears with the ? icon.

If another member of your pool is working on a message, it appears with a - icon.

Search for a message

- 1. Click *P*Search.
- 2. Enter as many search criteria as you want and click **Search**. You can search by patient, message type, status, recipient, priority, date, or any combination of these.
- 3. To return to your normal In Basket view, click My In Basket.



Print multiple messages at once

If you are working with a paper system, you can print multiple In Basket messages to keep on file. Note that you can print multiple messages at once only for certain message types.

- 1. Select the folder containing the messages that you want to print and select the check boxes next to the messages that you want to print.
- 2. Click 🖶 Print Selected.
- 3. Select the right print settings and print the messages.



In Basket: Sending Messages

In Basket is a communication hub where you can send and receive secure messages similar to email. Messages are sent to individual recipients or to a number of recipients grouped in a class or a pool. You can also associate a patient with the message using the **Patient** field on the message form so that the recipient can refer to the patient's chart.

Send an In Basket message

- 1. Select the **In Basket** tab, click the arrow next to P **New Msg**, and select the type of message you want to send.
- 2. In the **To** field, completion match on the name of the person or group to whom you would like to send your message. To see a list of all possible recipients, click \mathcal{P} .
- 3. Enter a brief subject in the Subject or Summary field.
- 4. If you are sending a message regarding a patient, either click **Use <patient name>** to pull in the patient's name, or search for a different patient. This attaches the patient's name to the message.
- 5. Complete any other required fields.
- 6. Enter your message in the Note field.
- 7. When you are finished, click **Send Message**.

Reply to or forward a message

Click a message to select it.

- To reply to a message, click 📮 Reply.
- To forward a message, click S Forward.

Note: Reply and Forward options might not be available depending on the message you've received.

View messages you've sent

- 1. Select the In Basket tab and click My Sent Messages.
- 2. Select a message type and then select a particular message to view it.
- 3. To return to your In Basket, click My In Basket.



In Basket: Responding to Service Requests

You might receive requests to provide services for a patient. Accept or decline these requests to let the requestor know whether you can provide the requested service.

Respond to a service request

- 1. Open your Service Requests In Basket folder.
- 2. Review each message.
 - a. Click **Accept** or **Decline** depending on whether you can provide the requested service. If you decline, you're prompted to enter a reason for declining the request.
 - b. If you need more information before you make a decision, click **Reply** to send a message back to the requestor.



Click **Consider** to indicate that you might be able to provide the service. You can then mark follow-up reasons to send to the requestor, like **Pending bed availability**, and then remove those follow-ups when they're complete.



In Basket: Signing Home Care and Hospice Orders

You might receive an order related to a patient's Home Health or Hospice episode. Verbal orders for Home Health and Hospice patients are managed using your **Cosign - Clinic Orders** In Basket folder. Timely signing of these verbal orders is important for patient care, regulatory compliance, and Medicare reimbursements. Check the **Cosign - Clinic Orders** folder regularly to ensure prompt turnaround time for Home Health and Hospice patients' verbal orders.

- 1. Open your Co-Sign Clinic Orders In Basket folder.
- 2. Review each order.
- 3. Click **Sign** or **Decline** the order as appropriate. If you decline, you're prompted to enter a reason for declining.

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In Basket: Triaging Referrals

You can triage referrals that are sent to your organization to ensure that the correct people can act on them.

Triage a referral

- 1. Open your Referral Triage In Basket folder.
- 2. Each message corresponds to a referral request. Select a message to view details about the request.
- 3. Click one of the following to triage the referral:

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🐮 Reject

- □ 🕒 Redirect
- 4. After you choose an option to triage the referral, document information about your decision. For example, you can select a reason for rejecting a referral, or redirect a referral to a specific location provider, department, or specialty. When you accept or reject a referral, the referring organization is notified of your decision and can see the information you documented.



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