



Oncology Medication Information Available Now in Netcare Consultations Folder

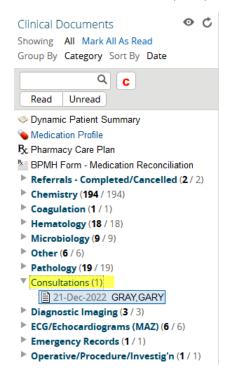
Key Messages

Oncology Medication Information not available in Pharmaceutical Information Network (PIN)

 Adult Oncology medication information (both infusion and outpatient oral medication orders) is not available in PIN within Netcare.

Oncology Medication Information now found in Netcare Consultations Folder

 Adult Oncology Medication Information (both infusion and outpatient oral medication orders) is now found in the oncology consult letters in Netcare, under the "Consultations" folder of the Clinical Document Viewer (CDV) tree.



Pediatric information remains in consult letters (no change).

Important to note:

For the oncology consults in the Consultation folder in Netcare's CDV tree:

- ~80% of the consultation reports will have the Doctor's(Dictating Doctor/Author) name as the Title of the report.
- ~20% when the dictating doctor id is not available in the repository, the value is either 'Outpatient Consultation- <Facility Code>' or 'Inpatient Consultation-<Facility Code>'

Reason for the Change

Connect Care changed how inpatient and ambulatory oncology medication administrations are recorded and dispensed, which resulted that each patient's full medication record was not being captured in PIN. When a provider look in PIN, they might only see part of their patient's oncology medication list when it is presumed complete, raising patient safety concerns.

AHS has been working with Alberta Health to send ambulatory administered medications to PIN and this work is still ongoing.

Until this work is completed, all oncology medication information will be in consult letters in Netcare. This ensures providers can view each patient's complete roster of oncology medications in one place, thus addressing patient safety concerns. Cancer Care Alberta (CCA) medical practice leaders were consulted and recommended to only communicate oncology medication information in consult letters, rather than having only a portion sent to PIN.

The change impacts access to the onology medication for some provider groups, such as pharmacists, that may not be able to access the consult folder in Netcare based on their role and access permission.

Message to Netcare Users

AHS is working with oncologists, the Alberta College of Pharmacists and Alberta Health to ensure that oncology medication information in consult letters is standardized and includes current medication orders. These consult letters will be automatically sent to Netcare. AHS will monitor concerns from community providers and will work with all provider groups to ensure a smooth transition.