



# PHN Pathology eRequest Guide

## **Pathology eRequests**

When Pathology eRequests are enabled in clinical software an electronic copy of the request is automatically shared with the lab, in parallel to the printed request to the patient, to improve results processing as well as automatically sharing a copy of the report with My Health Record.

#### **Benefits**

- 1. Pathology eRequests expedite processing time and transcription accuracy.
- 2. Hospital practitioners will be able to view private results from the community via My Health Record.
- 3. Consumers no longer have to phone pathology labs and providers requesting copies of pathology reports.
- 4. A potentially faster collection experience for the consumer
- 5. There is no change to the existing Pathology requesting workflow for clinicians.

## **Prerequisites**

Using recent version of conformant software for Pathology eRequesting	<ul> <li>Best Practice Lava SP3 and later</li> <li>Medical Director 3.0 or 3.17.2 (Sonic Healthcare only) and later</li> <li>MedTech32 6.0 and later (Australian Clinical Labs only)</li> <li>Zedmed 22.0 and later (Australian Clinical Labs only)</li> </ul>	
The practice requests Pathology from the labs eligible for eRequests	The My Health Record website is updated with labs that are eligible.	
For Sonic Healthcare brands, a process for Individual Healthcare Identifier (IHI) validation must be in place.	<ul> <li>The software is connected to the Healthcare Identifiers (HI) Service.</li> <li>Practice staff are aware that IHI validation requires matching Medicare/DVA Card number, first and last name, gender and date of birth.</li> </ul>	

## **Engagement**

Leverage existing practice	Collaborate with PHN staff who have established influential relationships with		
relationships	the practice in order to optimise the follow-up process.		
Speak with the Practice Manager about the benefits of Pathology	Provide the Practice Manager with the contact details to contact (or their managed IT service to contact) their pathology labs to set up eRequesting and commence uploading their pathology reports to My Health Record.		
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	A template email is provided here Pathology Details Em.		
	Ask how the Practice intends to progress. E.g. Discuss with Practice		
	Principal(s) then ask their managed IT Service to contact the lab.		
	Offer to phone the pathology lab with the Practice Manager.		
	Offer education to support the uploading of pathology reports.		
	<ul> <li>Book a time to follow up as soon as possible to maximise momentum.</li> </ul>		
Follow up with the Practice Manager	Confirm the practice has contacted their lab(s) and that the pathology lab has enabled eRequesting and uploading to My Health Record.		
Ask the Practice to confirm	Where possible, ask patients to confirm they can see the pathology report in		
that their pathology	the My Health Record.		
reports have been	Where possible, ask providers to check for the pathology report in the My		
uploaded to My Health	Health Record and report any issues or success stories.		
Record			
Inform consumers	<ul> <li>Brochures and posters are on the My Health Record website.</li> </ul>		



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InfinityPATH - 1300 007 284 itadmin@infinitypath.com.au

#### **Sonic Healthcare**

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- Capital Pathology 02 6285 9805 Client\_Services@capitalpath.com.au
- Clinipath Pathology 08 9371 4200 doctorservices@clinipath.net
- Clinpath Pathology 08 8366 2059 <u>itsupport@clinpath.com.au</u>
- Hobart Pathology 03 6332 0503 clientservices@dspl.com.au
- Launceston Pathology 03 6332 0503 clientservices@dspl.com.au
- Melbourne Pathology 03 9287 7731 <u>clientit@mps.com.au</u>
- North West Pathology 03 6332 0503 <u>clientservices@dspl.com.au</u>
- Southern IML Pathology 02 4224 7435 info@southernpath.com.au
- Sullivan Nicolaides Pathology 1800 100 769 <a href="mailto:snppath@snp.com.au">snppath@snp.com.au</a>

#### **Conformant Software**

Clinical Software	Australian Clinical Labs	Sonic Healthcare	InfinityPATH
Best Practice	Lava SP3 and later	Lava SP3 and later	Lava SP3 and later
MedicalDirector Clinical	3.0 and later	3.17.2 and later	3.0 and later
MedTech32	6.0 and later	-	-
Zedmed	22.0 and later	-	-