Exa® PACS/RIS

1.4.32_P10

User's Manual

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Introduction

Symbols

The following symbols may appear in the product documentation or on the product.

Symbol	Symbol Name	Symbol Description	Standard Number and Name	Symbol Reference Number
	Manufacturer	Indicates the name and address of the manufacturer	ISO 15223-1:2021	5.1.1
EC REP	Authorized Representative in the European Economic Area (EEA)	Indicates the Authorized Representative, responsible for the device in the European Economic Area (EEA).	ISO 15223-1:2021	5.1.2
	Date of Manufacture	Indicates the date when the device was manufactured.	ISO 15223-1:2021	5.1.3
	Caution	Indicates information that is important for preventing loss of data or misuse of the software.	ISO 15223-1:2021	5.4.4
LOT	Batch Code	Indicates the full Software Release / Version number	ISO 15233-1:2021	5.1.5
SN	Serial number	Indicates the manufacturer's serial number so that a specific medical device can be identified	ISO 15233-1:2021	5.1.7
REF	Catalogue Number	Indicates the manufacturer's catalogue number so that the device can be identified	ISO 15233-1:2021	5.1.6
	Consult instructions for use	Indicates the need for the user to consult the instructions for use	ISO 15233-1:2021	5.4.3
Rx Only	Prescription Device	Caution: Federal law restricts this device to sale by or on the order of a licensed healthcare practitioner	21 CFR 801.109(b)(1) Prescription Devices	N/A

BS EN ISO 15223-1:2021 Medical devices - Symbols to be used with information to be supplied by the manufacturer - Part 1: General requirements

Indications for use

EXA™ is a software device that receives digital images and data from various sources (i.e. CT scanners, MR scanners, ultrasound systems, R/F Units, computed & direct radiographic devices, secondary capture devices, scanners, imaging gateways or other imaging sources). Images and data can be stored, communicated, processed, and displayed within the system and or across computer networks at distributed locations. Lossy compressed mammographic images are not intended for diagnostic review. Mammographic images should only be viewed with a monitor cleared by FDA for viewing mammographic images. For primary diagnosis, post process DICOM "for presentation" images must be used. Typical users of this system are trained professionals, nurses, and technicians.

Training

Users of this software must have received adequate training on its safe and effective use before attempting to operate the product described in this Instructions for Use. Users must make sure they receive adequate training in accordance with local laws or regulations.

Regulatory and compliance

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System requirements

The following are the minimum system requirements for clients of Exa PACS/RIS. The workstation requirements are based on typical usage scenarios. For the recommended requirements of your specific implementation, contact your Konica Minolta representative.

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RECOMMENDED: To avoid loss of functionality and data during a power loss, connect an uninterruptible power supply. When running the system by the UPS alone, save data immediately after modifying.

REQUIRED: Install anti-virus software on the server and each client.

Server

Component	Specification
Processor	Intel® Xeon® Gold 5120 CPU @ 2.20GHz
Cores	14
Memory	32 GB
Archive Storage	1 TB partition DAS 7,200 RPM hard disk drive
OS	Windows Server 2022 C:/ 250 GB SAS mirrored OS drive
Cache	500 GB SSD
Database	500 GB SSD
NIC	Single 1000 MB/s

Workstation - User

Component	Specification
CPU	Intel® Core™ i5 or later
RAM	8 GB or more
NIC	Single 1000 MB/s
Storage	HDD, 500 GB or more
OS	Windows 10 Pro, 64-bit
Monitor	20 inch, 1600 × 1200

Workstation – Reading Radiologist

Component	Specification
CPU	Intel Xeon® E-2176G (3.70 GHz, 12 MB) or later

Video Cards	2 NVIDIA® Quadro® P1000 cards
RAM	32 GB or more
NIC	Single 1000 MB/s
Storage	SDD, 500 GB or more
OS	Windows 10 Pro, 64-bit
Monitor	Diagnostic displays

Calibration and measurement accuracy

Measurement accuracy partially depends on image quality, which is subject to various factors including the skill of the technologist, the precision of the modalities, and image resolution. However, clinical users of Exa PACS/RIS can help ensure diagnostic image quality and accurate measurements by using appropriate viewer settings (such as window/level and zoom) and by calibrating monitors (see "Calibrate monitors").

The clinical user is responsible to judge the accuracy of the measurements based on the image quality and based on the accuracy of placed measurement points. For a table of measurement accuracies, see "Measurement Accuracy Limits" in the appendix.

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For urgent issues, please call the Hotline.

Getting started

Configure your working environment

Before using Exa PACS/RIS, you must configure settings and information used in various parts of the program. This section helps with the most common areas of basic configuration. For help with other detailed settings, contact your Konica Minolta representative.

Set up credentials, browser, and monitors

Configure the language in Chrome

You must configure the browser language of your client computer as follows.

Procedure

1. In Chrome, select the customize ⋮ button, and then select **Settings**.

2. On the left pane, select **Languages**.

3. If the local language and culture does not appear in the list, select **Add languages**, and then add the language.

   Note: The culture must be correct. For example, in Canada, ensure that English (Canada) is installed.

4. Select the more actions ⋮ button for the local language, and then select the **Display Google Chrome in this language** checkbox.

5. Select the more actions ⋮ button again, and then select **Move to Top**.

6. Select **Relaunch**.

Sign in to the Exa platform

You can sign in to the main application, the patient portal, the physicians' portal, the ordering facility portal, or the attorney portal.

Procedure

1. In Chrome, go to the URL given to you by your Konica Minolta representative.

2. Enter your sign-in credentials.

3. Select the **I agree to HIPAA Privacy Notice** checkbox.

4. Do one of the following:

- To sign in to Exa PACS/RIS, select **LOGIN**.

- To sign in to a portal, select a portal button.

See also:

About two-factor authentication
Sign in using 2FA with email
Sign in using 2FA with Google Authenticator

About two-factor authentication

If your facility purchased two-factor authentication (2FA), administrators can use it to increase security by requiring an additional sign-in procedure. During sign-in, Exa PACS/RIS sends a character string called an *authentication token* to your email address, or one is generated by a mobile app called Google Authenticator. You then enter that authentication token on the Exa PACS/RIS sign-in screen to finish signing in.

Administrators: To make two-factor authentication available for a user, you must configure the user's email address.

See also:

Create a user
Sign in using 2FA with email
Sign in using 2FA with Google Authenticator

Sign in using 2FA with email

If your administrator made two-factor authentication available, you will receive an email from the server with a verification code. Using that code, follow these steps.

Procedure

1. Sign in to Exa PACS/RIS in the usual manner.

2. In the **EMAIL VERIFICATION PENDING** box, paste the verification code and select **VERIFY**.

   Result: Exa PACS/RIS signs you out.

3. Sign back in to Exa PACS/RIS, select **REQUEST TOKEN**, type the token sent to the email address, and then select **LOGIN**.

   Note: Every time you sign in in the future, you must repeat this step, using a different token each time.

See also:

Sign in to the Exa platform
About two-factor authentication

Sign in using 2FA with Google Authenticator

After you have signed in using 2FA the first time, if you prefer, you can use Google Authenticator to sign in in the future rather than an email token. To use Google Authenticator to sign in, follow these steps.

Procedure

1. Download the Google Authenticator app onto your mobile device.

2. In Exa PACS/RIS, on the burger ▤ menu, select the blue Konica-Minolta 🌐 globe.

3. In the **My Profile** dialog, in the **Two Factor Authentication** box, type your sign-in password, and then select the **Enter** key.

4. Select **SHOW QR CODE**.

5. In Google Authenticator, tap **Scan a QR Code**, and then scan the QR code displayed by Exa PACS/RIS.

6. In Exa PACS/RIS, in the **One-Time Password** box, enter the code from your new Google Authenticator profile, and then select **VERIFY**.

See also:

Reset your password

If you forgot your password, contact your Exa PACS/RIS administrator for instructions on how to reset your password.

Change your password

You can change your sign-in password.

Procedure

1. Select the burger ▤ button.

2. At the top of the burger menu, select the blue

    Konica Minolta globe:

    🔵 or 👤 (user avatar).

3. In the **My Profile** dialog, select **CHANGE PASSWORD**.

4. Enter current and new passwords, and then select **SAVE PASSWORD**.

Add an avatar

An avatar is an image such as a photo that represents you in various parts of the program.

Prerequisites: Prepare a PNG image to use as the avatar.

Procedure

1. At the top of the burger menu, select the blue Konica Minolta globe.

2. In the **My Profile** dialog, select **Choose File**.

3. Browse for and select your avatar image, and then select **Open**.

4. Select **SAVE**.

Edit your user profile

Each user of Exa PACS/RIS has a profile with sign-in credentials and other information. After signing in, you can view and edit your information.

Procedure

1. Select the burger button.

2. At the top of the burger menu, select the blue Konica Minolta globe or user's avatar:

 or (user avatar).

Result: The My Profile screen appears.

3. Enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
User Name	Type a user name for sign-in purposes.
Name	Type your true name.
Mobile Phone/Email	Type your mobile phone number and/or email address. An email address is required for two-factor authentication.
Default Device	[Unused]
Auto Open Dictation on Device	[Unused]
Default Location	Select a facility as your default location. When you sign in, this facility appears in various parts of the program by default. You must configure the facilities that you want to make available in this dropdown list.
Always Open Schedule Book in a New Tab	Select to cause the program to open a new browser tab for the schedule book automatically when you open it.
Rows to Display	Select how many rows to display on the worklist.
Themes	Select a default theme of Bright (default) or Dark.
Culture	Select the language/culture of the user interface.
Pin Burger Menu	Select to keep the burger menu open in the left pane of the screen.

Hide Worklist Icons	Hides the lower toolbar and study row buttons on the worklist. Hidden functions remain available in shortcut menus and other controls.
Hide Order Menu	Hides the navigation menu within the Edit Study screen.
Bandwidth	Select the expected speed of the network on which your client installation runs. This helps to optimize performance in your networking environment.
Session Interval	Type the number of minutes to elapse before the program times out and returns to the sign-in screen.
Default Scheduling/Radiology	[Unused]

4. Select **SAVE**.

View version information

You can view version information about the application, host system, services, and external tools.

Procedure

1. Select the burger button.

2. At the bottom of the burger menu, select the white Konica Minolta globe.

Result: The About screen appears.

Create a shortcut for Exa PACS/RIS

You can create a shortcut for the local Windows user to Exa PACS/RIS and place
it on the desktop.

Procedure

1. In Chrome, go to the Exa PACS/RIS sign-in page.

2. In the address bar, drag the lock 🔒 icon onto the desktop.

   The Exa Login shortcut appears.

3. Optional. To change the shortcut icon:

   - Right-click the shortcut and then select **Properties**.
   - Select **Change Icon**, and then browse for and select an icon.
   - Select **OK**.

Calibrate monitors

Especially after a new installation or upgrade, you can use Exa PACS/RIS to calibrate your monitors to
ensure accuracy of length and other measurements. If all images you work with contain pixel spacing
information, you can skip this procedure.

Prerequisite: Enter Calibration Width and Calibration Height settings for your monitors.

Procedure

1. Open an image in the viewer.

2. Optional: For higher accuracy, on the image shortcut menu, select **View** > **Actual Image Size**.

3. Hover over the upper-right corner of a frame, right-click ▤, and then select **Recalibrate**.

4. Select two points on the image.

5. In the **Dialog** dialog, type the length between the points and then select **OK**.

   Note: If prompted to apply calibration to the series, select **OK**.

Results

- The calipers are modified.

- Previously annotated measurements are redrawn.

- Future measurements will appear according to the new calibration values.

See also:

Set up connected displays

Configure Exa PACS/RIS

This section describes core settings that you should review or configure prior to using Exa PACS/RIS. For other settings, see the following topics.

See also:

Worklist settings
User settings
Viewer settings
Configure the viewer

Set up the office: Companies

Company here means the parent hospital, clinic, or other institution where Exa PACS/RIS is installed. After configuring your company you can configure its child facilities (see Add a facility) and other locations as needed. In configuring your company you enter basic settings such as its name and address, but also —depending on product and configuration—you can customize Exa PACS/RIS for your company's needs by adding preset options for such things as: sex, body parts, and ethnicity; patient alerts, critical findings, cancellation reasons; MRN and accession number formatting; passwords; and billing modifiers.

Configure your company

To add your company to Exa PACS/RIS:

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Office** > **COMPANY**.

2. Enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Code	Type your internal code for your institution.
Name	Type the name of your institution.
Timezone	Select the time zone used by your institution.
Enable LDAP	If your institution uses an LDAP or Active Directory server, select this option to display the LDAP CONFIG sub-tab, and then see Configure all LDAP settings.

Setting	Description
Enable RCopia Service	Select to turn on the RCopia service, if available, and display the RCOPIA CONFIG sub-tab. Enter settings in the sub-tab, and then select SAVE.
Enable Payment Gateway	Select to turn on the Payment Gateway service, if available, and display the PAYMENT GATEWAY sub-tab. Enter settings in the sub-tab, and then select SAVE.
Trigger Routing on Study Flag Changed	Select to reprocess routing (DICOM transactions) automatically when a user changes a study flag.

3. Select **SAVE**.

4. Enter additional information as needed by following the steps in later subsections.

   Note: When finished, select **SAVE** again at the top of the screen on the right side of the **Trigger Routing on Study Flag Changed** checkbox.

General settings

Enter the main contact information for your company and other basic settings relating to scheduling, billing, documents, security, image viewing, and peer review.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Office** > **COMPANY > GENERAL**.
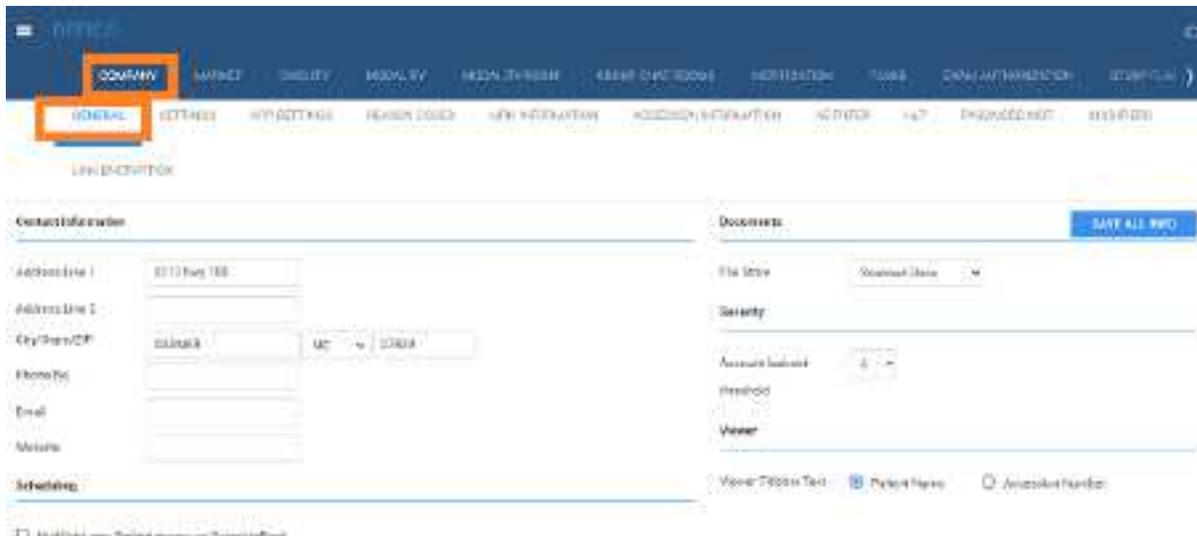
2. Enter the following settings.

Setting	Description	
Contact Information	Enter the company address and contact information.	
Scheduling	Highlight new Patient exams on ScheduleBook	Select to highlight new patient appointments on the schedule book for easier identification.

Setting		Description
	Highlight Color	Select the color to use to highlight new exams on the schedule book.
	Default Distance from ZIP Code	Select the default distance for finding facilities near patients.
	Enable schedule rule reason	Select to require users to select a schedule reason when creating a schedule block.
	Enable reschedule reason	Select to prompt for a reason when rescheduling an appointment.
	Enable pause reason	Select to prompt for a reason when a technologist pauses an exam.
Billing Information	Corporate Office Type	Select Person for an individual practice. Otherwise, select Non-Person Entity.
	NPI No.	Type your national provider identifier.
	Taxonomy Code	Type your NPI taxonomy code.
	Tax ID	Type your national tax ID.
	EDI Submitter ID	If using an EDI service, type your submitter ID.
	EDI Receiver ID	If using an EDI service, type your receiver ID.
	Modifiers in Order	Forces the user to enter modifiers before creating an order.
	ICD9 to ICD10	Select to automatically convert diagnostic codes from the ICD9 to ICD10 standard.
		Type the tax
Documents	File Store	Select a file store for scanned documents at your company. This is separate from the file store used by AEs to store images.
Security	Account Lockout Threshold	Set the maximum number of sign-in attempts.
Viewer	Viewer Titlebar Text	Select to display the patient name or the accession number on the title bar when opening a study in the viewer.
Peer Review	Schedule (how often studies are assigned to be peer-reviewed)	Select the frequency of assignment. To customize, select Custom settings, and then type the following in the boxes: seconds, minutes, hours, day of the month, month, and day of the week.
	Cron custom settings	Available when you select Custom settings in the Schedule dropdown list. Type a custom frequency for assigning peer reviews.
	Peer Review Percentage of yearly approvals	Type the percentage of studies to be assigned annually for peer review.

Setting	Description	
	Studies per draw amount	Type how many studies to assign for each reviewer, for each draw.
	Cutoff period	The number of days in the past from which Peer Review will draw studies.
	Interval	Type how often to run the peer review background service.
Email Information	Server Address	Type the address of your outgoing SMTP/mail server.
	Port	Type the mail server port number, provided by your ISP.
	User Name	Type the account administrator user name or email address.
	Password	Type the email account password.
	Sender Address	Type the default sender address (the administrator's email address).
	Email Subject	Type a default email subject to use if no subject is configured on the notification template.

4. Select **SAVE ALL INFO**.

Settings

Settings here means presets that appear as options in other parts of the program, mostly related to people (such as staff and patients).

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Office** > **COMPANY** > **SETTINGS**.

2. On the left pane, select a category.

3. At the bottom of the screen, in the **Description** box, type a setting.

Setting	Description
User Titles	User prefixes, such as Mr., Mrs., and Dr.
Marital Status	Patient marital statuses, such as Single, Married, and Divorced.
Sex	Patient sexes.
Body Parts	Patient body parts under examination.
Employee Status	Statuses of employees at your institution.
Credentials	Physician credentials, such as Ph.D. and M.D.
Racial Identity	Patients' self-identified races.
Ethnicity	Patients' self-identified ethnicities.
Relationship	Relationships of people to patients (including self).
Priorities	Priorities that can be assigned to studies in the worklist. These are separate from STAT levels.
Sources	Sources of patient arrivals, such as clinic referral, attorney office, hospital transfer, or emergency room.
Orientation	Lateralities as they pertain to the study.

Setting	Description
Languages	Patients' preferred languages.
Specialties	Healthcare worker specialties such as oncology or sports medicine.
Communication Preferences	Patients' preferred methods of communication, such as cell phone or email.
Administration Site	Immunization modes.
Regions	Geographical regions, such as for grouping markets.
Units of Measure	Units of measure, such as for doses of medication or contrast material.
Needle Gauge	Available needle gauges.

4. Select **SAVE**.

App settings

App settings here means presets that appear as options in other parts of the program.

Regarding STAT levels

Because different PACS systems use different STAT levels, you need to translate the STAT level of inbound studies to the STAT levels you configure in Exa PACS/RIS, and conversely, you need to translate the STAT levels of studies you send to other systems to their STAT levels. To do this, as described in the following table, select the value of the (0040,1003) Requested Procedure Priority tag to translate "from" in inbound DICOMs, and to translate "to" in outbound DICOMs.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Office** > **COMPANY** > **APP SETTINGS**.
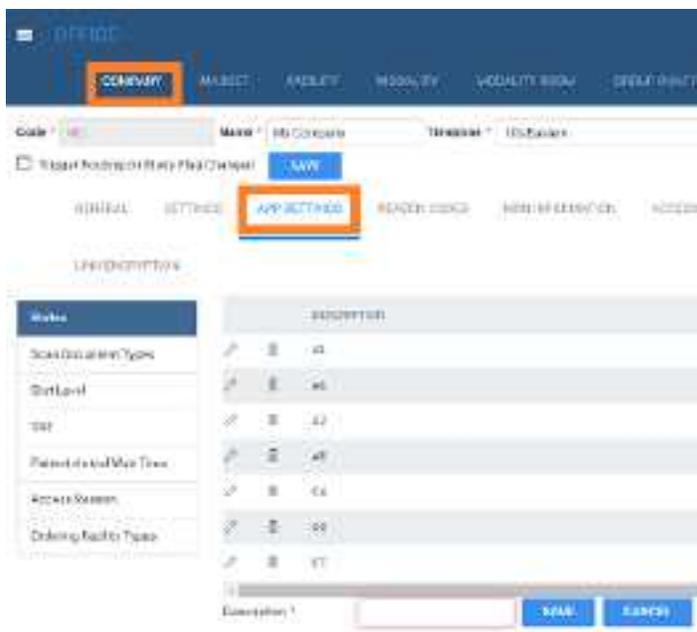
2. In the list on the left side of the screen, select a setting.

3. For each option in the following table, enter settings.

Setting	Options	Description
States	Description	Type states, provinces, prefectures, or other regions used in various parts of the program.
Scan Document Types	Description	Type descriptions to assign to documents to be scanned, such as "Photo ID" or "Explanation of Benefits."
	Requires Review	Select to require review of the document before moving to the next status in the current workflow. See Require document review.
Stat Level	Description	Type descriptions for each of the STAT levels (0–5).
	Color	Click in the text box, and then use the color picker to select a background color for studies on the worklist having the STAT level.
	Text Color	Select a text color for studies on the worklist having the STAT level.
	Inbound DICOM	Select the requested procedure priority of inbound studies to assign to the STAT level you are configuring.
	Outbound DICOM	Select the requested procedure priority to assign to outbound studies that are in the STAT level you are configuring.
TAT	Description/Colors	Select the edit ✎ icon of a TAT to modify its description, text color, and background color. You can set the max TAT for a facility under Setup > [all uppercase menu] > Office > Facility.
Patient Arrival Wait Times		Use the following settings to configure color-coded descriptions corresponding to lengths of time that a patient waits upon arrival. These bands of time appear in the wait time monitor at the top of the Patient Arrival Worklist.
	Description	Type a description for the band such as "Short Wait" or "Long Wait."

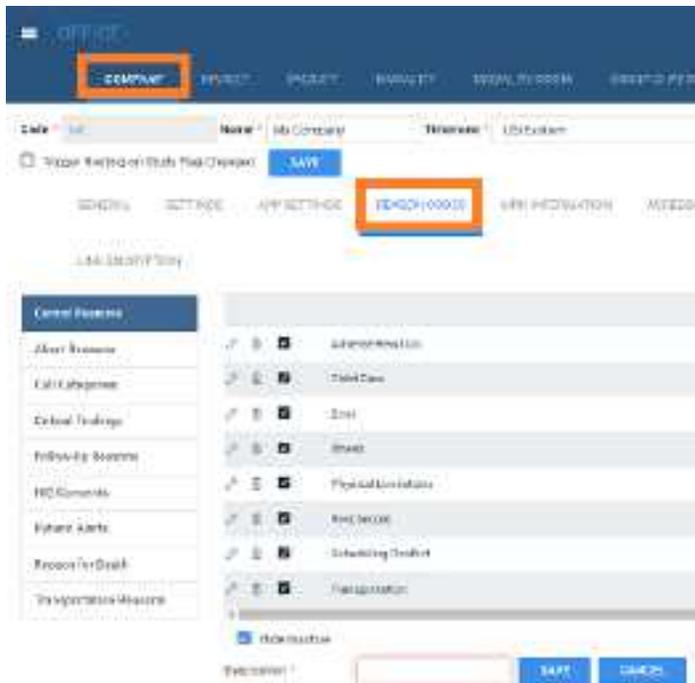| Setting	Options	Description
	Color	Background color for arrivals at the current wait time.
	Text Color	Text color for arrivals at the current wait time.
	Minutes	Type the maximum number of minutes that a patient waits to remain in the band.
Access Reasons	Reasons for accessing confidential patient records when using the Break the Glass function.	
	Code	Type an internal code for the reason.
	Description	Type a name or description of the reason such as, "Direct patient care."
Ordering Facility Types	Description	Type a description such as "Assisted Living" or "Prison."

4. Select **SAVE**.

Reason codes

Reason codes are text strings that identify reasons for taking various actions such as cancellations, follow-ups, and rescheduling. You can preconfigure them for use in various parts of the program.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Office** > **COMPANY** > **REASON CODES**.

2. On the left pane, select a category.

3. On the right pane at the bottom, type a reason.

4. Optional: To make the reason temporarily unavailable, select **Hide Inactive**.

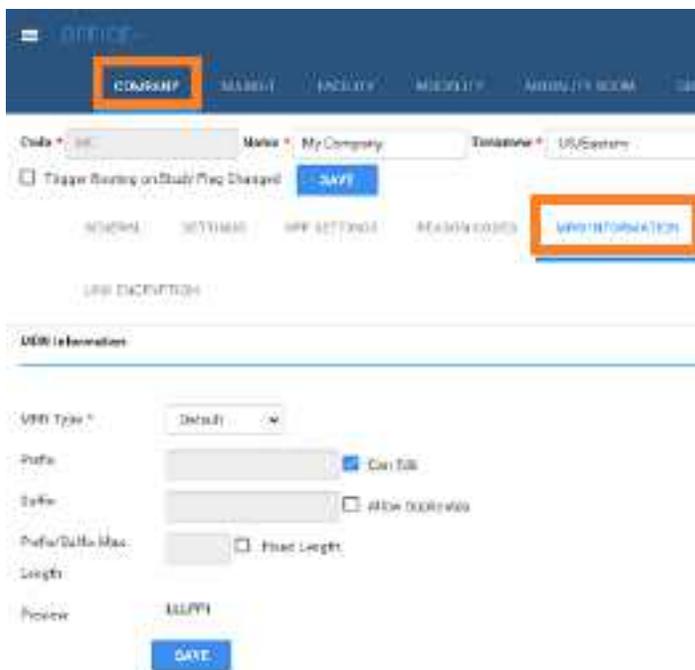| Setting	Options	Description
Cancel Reasons	Description	Type reasons for such canceling such things as appointments or exams in progress.
Abort Reasons	Description	Type reasons for aborting exams in progress.
Call Categories	Description	Type reasons phone calls, such as to patients for scheduling.
Critical Findings	Description	Type critical findings you can assign to studies, such as "Acute Positive."
Follow-Up Reasons	Description	Type reasons to follow up on a study, such as "Benign but suspicious."
	Code	Type your internal code for the finding.
	Follow Up	Type and select the length of time until the follow-up.
HIE Consents	Description	Type indicators as to whether a patient has consented to release of demographics and medical data through a Health Information Exchange for treatment, payment, and health care operations purposes.
Patient Alerts	Description	Type alerts to assign to patients, such as "Patient is claustrophobic."
Pause Reasons	Description	Type reasons that your company deems acceptable for pausing an exam, such as "Patient Movement."
Reason for Death	Description	Type reasons for death.
Reschedule Reasons	Description	Type reasons for rescheduling an exam.
Schedule Rule Reasons	Description	Type reasons to use when writing schedule rules to make a timeslot unavailable, such as "Machine maintenance."
	Color	Assign unique colors to each schedule rule reason for easy identification on the schedule book.
Transportation Reasons	Description	Type modes of transportation such as "Medical Transport" or "Personal Vehicle."

5. Select **SAVE**.

MRN information

MRN information here means your internal format for MRNs at your company. To Exa PACS/RIS can assign MRNs automatically according to the following settings.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Office** > **COMPANY** > **MRN INFORMATION**.

2. Enter the following settings.

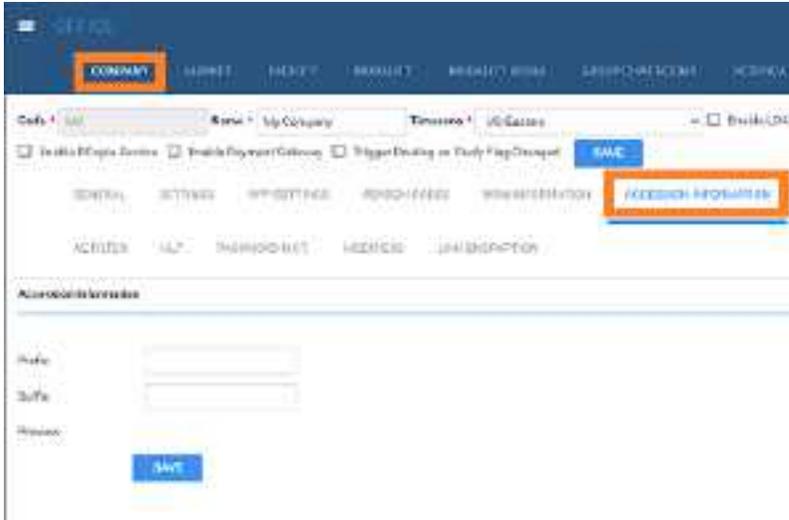| Setting	Description
MRN Type	Select Default to use the default formatting included with Exa PACS/RIS, or Custom to define your own formatting.
Prefix	Type a prefix to prepend to the MRN. To be able to modify the prefix, select Can Edit.
Suffix	Type a suffix to append to the MRN.
Allow Duplicates	Select to allow duplicate MRNs.
Prefix/Suffix Max.	Select Fixed Length (above), and then type or select the maximum length of the MRN prefix and suffix.
Fixed Length	Select to enter a maximum length of the MRN.

3. Select **SAVE**.

Accession information

Accession information here means global modifications you want Exa PACS/RIS to make to accession numbers.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Office** > **COMPANY** > **ACCESSION INFORMATION**.

2. Enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Prefix	Type a prefix to prepend to the accession number.
Suffix	Type a suffix to append to the accession number.

3. Select **SAVE**.

AE filter

This sub-tab is currently unused.

Payment gateway

If you selected **Enable Payment Gateway** previously (see Configure your company):

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Office** > **COMPANY** > **PAYMENT GATEWAY**.

2. Enter settings to make a payment gateway available, such as PayPal.

3. Select **SAVE**.

LDAP configuration

See Configure all LDAP settings.

RCopia configuration

If you selected **Enable RCopia Service** previously (see Configure your company):

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Office** > **COMPANY** > **RCOPIA CONFIG.**

2. Enter RCopia service details.
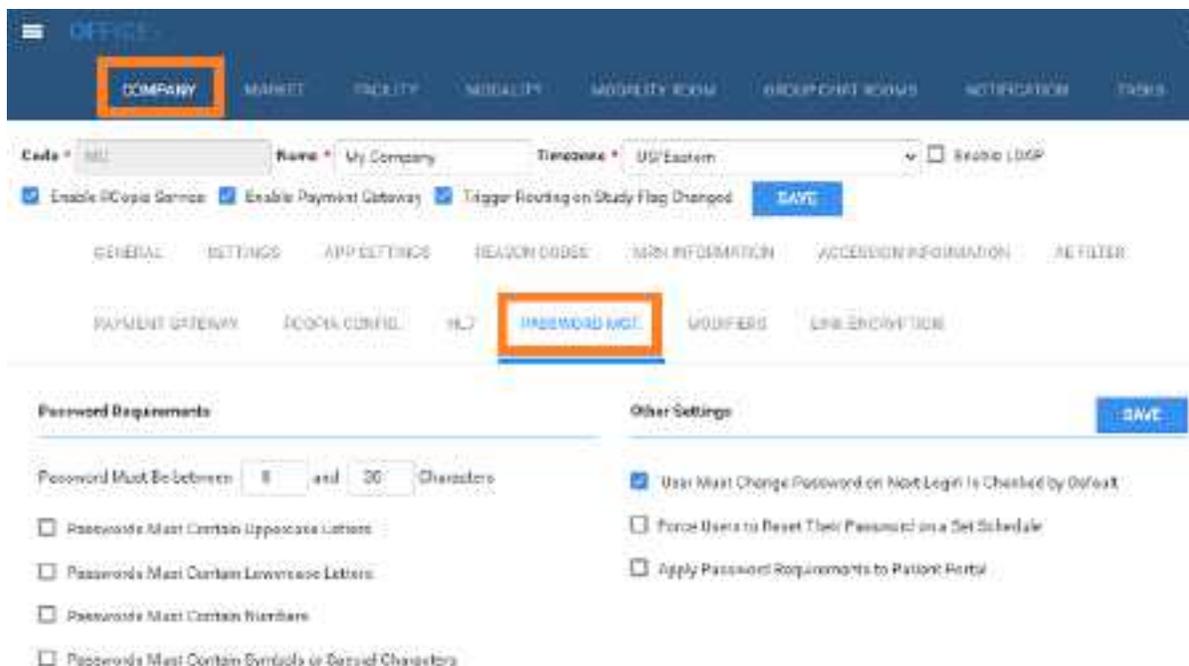
3. Select **SAVE**.

HL7

This sub-tab is currently unused.

Password management

You can customize requirements for passwords that users create to sign in to Exa PACS/RIS and other related client apps.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Office** > **COMPANY** > **PASSWORD MGT**.

2. Enter the following settings.

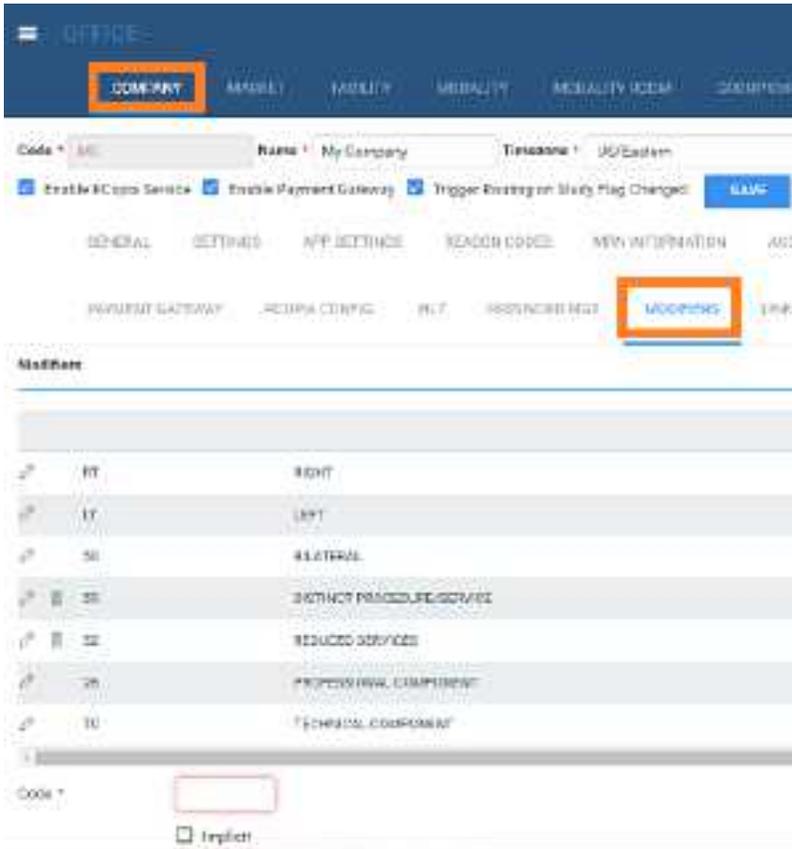| Setting	Description		
Password Must Be between…	Type a minimum and maximum number of characters that passwords can contain.		
Passwords Must Contain …	Uppercase Letters	Exa PACS/RIS validates passwords based on these selections.	
	Lowercase Letters		
	Numbers		
	Symbols or Special Characters		
'User Must Change Password Next Login' Is Checked by Default	Select or clear to assign the default state of the setting.		
Force Users to Reset Their Password on a Set Schedule	Select to require password resets of a specified interval.		
Apply Password Requirements to Patient Portal	Select to use the same password requirements for Patient Portal accounts.		

3. Select **SAVE**.

Modifiers

Modifiers are codes that provide additional detail to billing transactions.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Office** > **COMPANY** > **MODIFIERS**.

2. Move to the bottom of the screen, enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Code	Type the CPT modifier, or other modifier code.
Implicit	Select to visually exclude the modifier from submitted claims.
Description	Type the description for the code.
Fee Level	Select the fee level in the dropdown list.
Fee Override	Type the fee override code which takes precedence over any modifier created previously. To configure an override amount: In the first dropdown list select an operator (+ or -), in the box type an amount, and then in the last dropdown list select Value or %.
M1–M4	Select the modifier number to which to assign the code.
Display on Schedule Book and Print Order	Select or clear to control visibility of modifiers.

3. Select **SAVE**.

Link encryption

You can define how Exa PACS/RIS responds when a user clicks a link to a study using an encrypted URL. Settings here must match those agreed upon by the entity creating the encrypted links. You cannot edit link encryption settings, only add and delete them.

Procedure

1. Go to <u>SETUP</u> > <u>OFFICE</u> > **Office** > **COMPANY** > **LINK ENCRYPTION**.

2. Select **ADD**.

3. Enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Link Encryption Type	Select the screen in which to open the study.
Integration Name	Type the friendly name of the integration (matching the one included in the URL, which identifies the decrypting pre-shared key and action to take on the decrypted URL).
Link Expiry	Select the checkbox to apply an expiration to the URL, and then use the dropdown list and text box to configure a length of time before expiration.
Key Type	Select a type of encryption for the key.
Key Expiry	Select the checkbox to apply an expiration to the key, and then use the date picker to select an expiration date.

4. Select **GENERATE**.

5. In the dialog, copy the passphrase and initialization text to a safe location, and then close the dialog.

    CAUTION: Do not close the dialog until you copy the information; Exa PACS/RIS will never display it again. If you lose the key, you must create a new one.

6. Send the passphrase and initialization text to the EMR company or other entity creating encrypted links.

Set up the office: Other assets

Add a market

You can add regional markets for use in other parts of the program, such as for assigning facilities.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Office** > **MARKET**.

2. Select **ADD.**

3. Enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Code	Type your internal code for the market.
Name	Type the name of the market.
Region	Select the geographical region in which the market is located.

4. Select **SAVE**.

Add a facility

Facilities are typically where healthcare services are rendered. You must add at least one facility to your company by following the procedure below.

Common tasks after adding a facility

After adding your facilities by using the procedure below, see the following topics on other tasks you may need to complete.

- Configure study statuses
- Configure application entities
- Configure a file store
- Configure routing rules
- Configure AE scripts
- Understanding receiver rules
- Configure a receiver rule
- Configure study flow
- Add modalities
- Add modality rooms
- Add a report template
- Configure a schedule template and schedule rules
- Configure appointment types
- Create a user
- Configure an ordering facility

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Office** > **FACILITY**.

2. Select **ADD**, and then enter the following settings for the facility.

Setting	Description
Code	Type your internal code for the facility (up to eight characters).

Setting	Description
Name	Type the name of your facility.
Market	Select the market that the facility serves.
Contact No.	Type the phone number of the primary contact person at the facility.
Fax No.	Type the fax number for receiving approved reports.
Send Reports to Fax No.	Select to automatically send reports to the fax number you entered previously.
Email	Type the email address of the primary contact at the facility.
Email Report Link	Select to automatically send an email when a report is created to the email address entered earlier that contains a link to view the reports on the ReportLink service.
Report Password	Type the password needed to view reports on ReportLink.
Email Attachment	Select to receive reports by attachment.
Timezone	Select the time zone used by your facility.
Mammo License ID	Type the facility's mammography license ID.
Max TAT	Type the maximum allowed turnaround time, in minutes, before a breach of contract occurs.
Enable Alt. Acc. No.	Select to use of more than one account number for a patient.
Required SSN	Select to require a social security number to provide treatment.
Require Primary Phys.	Select to require a primary physician's information to provide treatment.
PokitDok Response	[Unused]
Upload Logo	Select Choose File, browse for and select a logo file for the facility, and then select Open. Logos can be in JPEG or PNG format.
Remove Logo	To remove the current logo, select REMOVE LOGO.
[Address]	Type the address of the facility.
File Store	Select the default file store to use at the facility.
Show Patient Alerts	Select to show a patient alert window when scheduling in the schedule book.
Show Recent Schedules	Select to display the recent schedules dialog when: 1) scheduling a preorder; and 2) double-clicking a patient in the Patient tab of the New Appointment screen. Days: Type the number of days in the past and future to control which exams appear in the recent schedule screen.
Enable Veterinary Registration	Select to be able to register veterinarians as physicians.
Mobile Rad Dispatching Address	Type the address of the office that dispatches mobile radiology.

Setting	Description
Do Not Allow Overlapping Procedures to Be Scheduled	Select to prevent users from scheduling more than one procedure in the same timeslot in the schedule book.
Import Documents into Study as DICOMs	Select to automatically convert documents to DICOM images before importing. If not selected, the user can select whether to convert at the time of import.
Global Auto-Print	Select to automatically send radiology reports to printer that is configured on the Exa server.
Abbreviated Receipt	Select to use an abbreviated formatting for payment receipts.
Custom Receipt	Select to use a custom receipt for payments, such as co-pays.
Exclude from all Portals (All Portals & Break the Glass)	Select to exclude all studies associated with the facility from all portals, including when "breaking the glass."
Required Fields at Scheduling	Select options to require when scheduling an exam.
Required Fields for Creating a Preorder	Select options to require when creating a preorder.
Study Status When Patient Arrives	Select the status to assign to the study when the patient arrives at check-in.
Study Status When Patient in Room	Select the status to assign to the study when the patient arrives in the exam room.
Report Delay to Patient Portal	Type the number of days to wait before making reports available on the patient portal.
Formal Name	Type the formal name of the facility, if different from the commonly used name.
Facility Notes	Type additional notes for the facility if needed.
MRN Information: Inherit	Select to copy the MRN from your company settings or EMR of origin. Clear to define a dedicated format for the facility.
Other MRN settings	See MRN information.
The following settings become available after you save.	
NPI No.	Type the national provider identifier of the facility.
Enable Insurance Eligibility	[Unused]
Federal Tax ID	Type the tax ID of the facility.
Enable Insurance Claims	[Unused]
ImagineSoft Provider ID	Type the "facility ID" used by ImagineSoftware.
Default Billing Provider	If using Exa Billing, select the default billing provider (the provider issuing invoices for treatment).
Service Facility	The facility providing treatment.
POS Type	Select the place of service code for the facility.

Setting	Description
	To use this value as the default for all facilities, select the Always set POS to This Value checkbox.
Fee Schedule	Select the fee schedule for the facility.
Rendering Provider	The primary radiologist at the facility.

3. Select **SAVE & CLOSE**.

Add modalities

You must set up each modality available to your facility or institution in Exa PACS/RIS. In particular, you must add modalities before entering DICOM settings.

⚠ Do not add non-DICOM modalities, as this could result in problems sending studies to external PACS.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Office** > **MODALITY**.

2. Select **ADD**.

3. Enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Code	Type the standard DICOM modality code. For example, for ultrasound, type US.
Name	Type a unique name for the modality.
Hidden on Physician Portal	Select to hide the modality name on the physician portal to prevent unwanted scheduling. Useful for hiding non-scheduled modalities such as SR.

4. Select **SAVE**.

5. In the list of modalities, select the ⊙ ⊙ buttons to order the new modality.

Note: During modality-related tasks, Exa PACS/RIS matches modalities by the order in the list. Therefore, for example, you should list MG before SR.

Add modality rooms

Modality rooms are named locations where modalities are used for exams, and must be configured for use in scheduling exams. Add a modality room for each modality at your facility.

Avoid common mistakes

- Give your modality rooms **intuitive names** that are easy to find when creating schedule templates
- Set the **From** date to a date in the past to view past scheduled appointments
- Set the **To** date to a date in the future (such as 1/1/2099) unless you plant to permanently close the room.

Prerequisites: Add modalities, Add a facility, and DICOM modality worklist (see Configure application entities).

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Office** > **MODALITY ROOM**.

2. Select **ADD**.

3. Enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Code	Type your unique internal code or name for the modality room.
Facility	Select the facility where the modality room is located.
Name	Type a name for the modality room.
From Date/To Date	Select the long-term date range in which you plan to keep using the room.
Color Code	Select in the box, and then select a color from the picker to assign to the modality room. The color appears in a bar below the name of the modality room in the schedule book.
Display Order	Type a number to determine in which column the modality room appears in the schedule book. Lower numbers appear on the left side of higher

Setting	Description
	numbers.
Modalities	Select all modalities that are in use in the modality room. All appointment types with the modalities you select become available to schedule in the room (unless excluded by schedule rules).
DMWL	Select the AEs in the room to which to serve the worklist. Only the selected AEs will receive orders for that room.

4. On the **MODALITYTIMES** sub-tab, select the here link, and then add a schedule template to the room.

5. Optional: On the **LINKED RESOURCES** sub-tab, select which treatment resource is associated with the modality room (technologist or Mobile RAD vehicle), and then type or select the name of the resource.
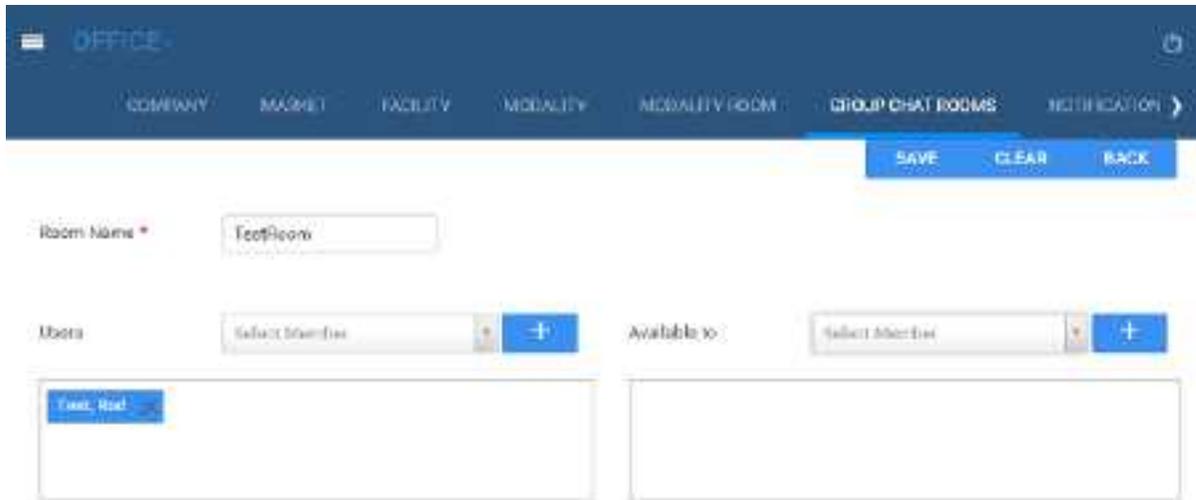
6. Select **SAVE**.

Add a group chat room

In a screen outside Exa Chat, you can create group chat rooms, manage members of the rooms, and make the room available to selected users to join.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Office** > **GROUP CHAT ROOMS**.

2. Select **ADD.**

3. Enter the following settings.

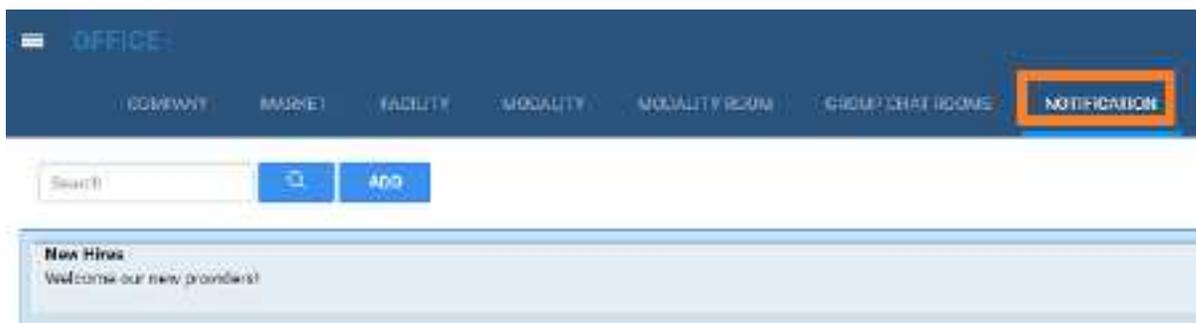| Setting	Description
Room Name	Type a name for the room.
Room Users	Select the members of the group chat room.
Available to	Select users that can find the group chat room when searching for a room to join.

4. Select **SAVE**.

Add a notification

You can pre-configure notifications to appear on the dashboard and/or portal sign-in pages under "Organizational News." These notifications are fixed messages, and not related to email or fax notifications.
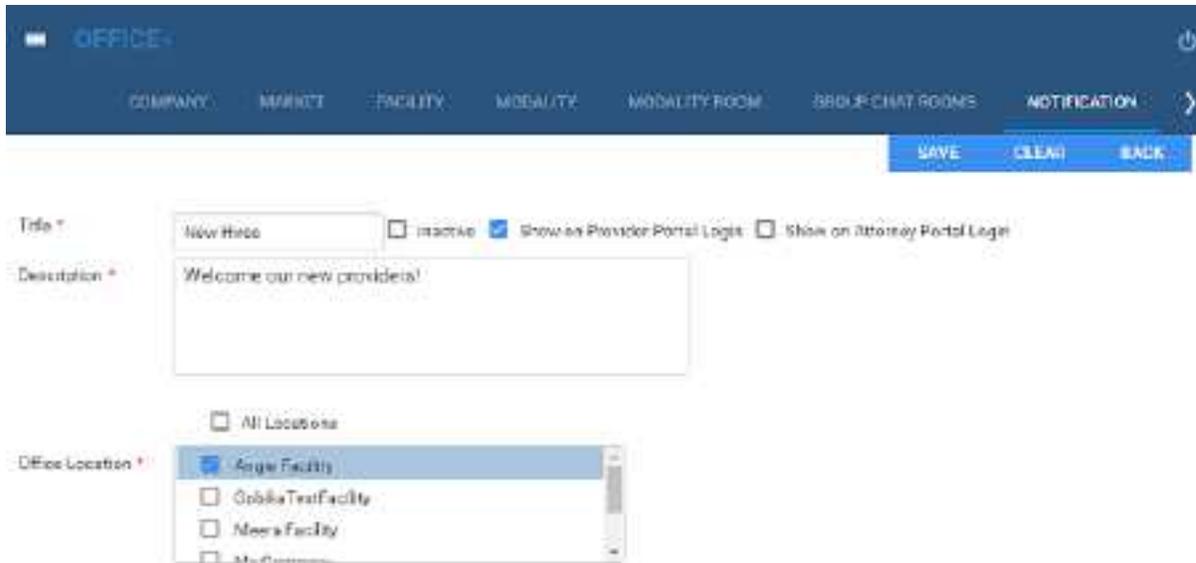
Prerequisite: Add at least one facility.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Office** > **NOTIFICATION**.

2. Select **ADD.**

3. and then enter the following settings.

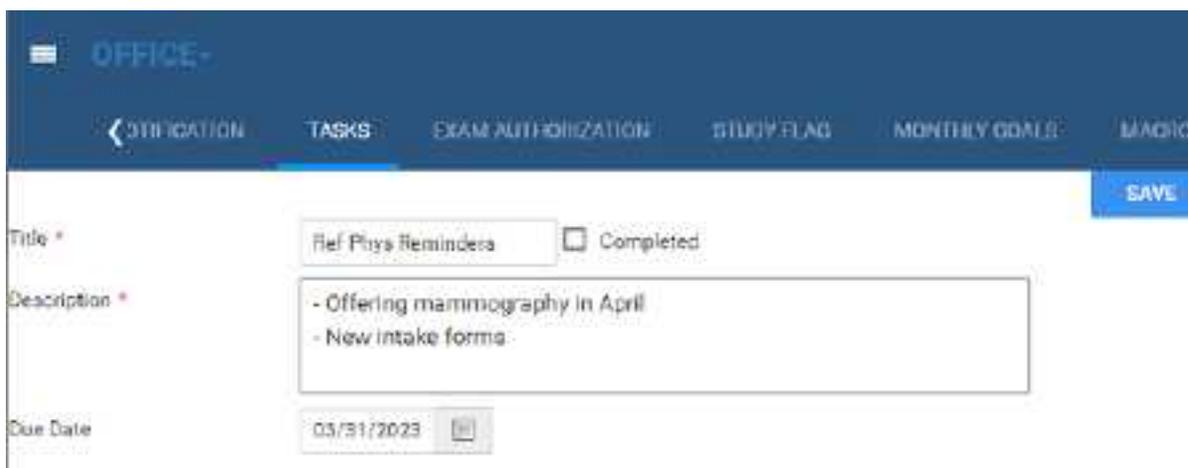| Setting	Description
Title	Type a title for the notification.
Show on Provider Portal Login	Select to display the notification on the sign-in page of the physician portal.
Show on Attorney Portal Login	Select to display the notification on the sign-in page of the attorney portal.
Description	Type the body of the notification.
Office Location	Select one or more facilities to which to send the notification.

4. Select **SAVE**.

Add tasks

Administrators can add tasks for marketing representatives, such as "Tell referring physician offices that we will start offering 3D mammography in January."

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Office** > **TASKS**.

2. Select **ADD**.

3. Enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Title	Type a title for the task.
Description	Type a description of the task.
Due Date	Select a due date for the task.
Completed	Select when the task is completed.

4. Select **SAVE.**

What are authorization, verification, and estimation?

Insurance companies and other providers may require authorization and verification of eligibility.

- *Authorization* involves contacting the insurance company about a procedure, providing proof of medical necessity, and obtaining permission for the procedure in the form of an authorization number.

- *Verification* (of eligibility) means to check whether a patient's insurance policies cover medical products or services.

- *Estimation* refers to estimating coverage in the form of amounts payable by insurance companies, patients, and other parties.

Eligibility verification and insurance coverage estimation is performed electronically with a clearinghouse through PokitDok, ImagineSoftware, or other service. If the verification service is not able to determine eligibility, it can be determined manually by clinical staff.

Add authorization rules

Authorization rules prevent you from scheduling an exam on a date sooner than the amount of time required to obtain insurance authorization. Exa PACS/RIS automatically adds a warning (red star) to studies on the worklist that match the criteria in your rules (such as facility, modality, and procedure codes) that are awaiting authorization.

Prerequisite: Configure at least one procedure code and insurance provider.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Office** > **EXAM AUTHORIZATION**.

2. Select **ADD**.
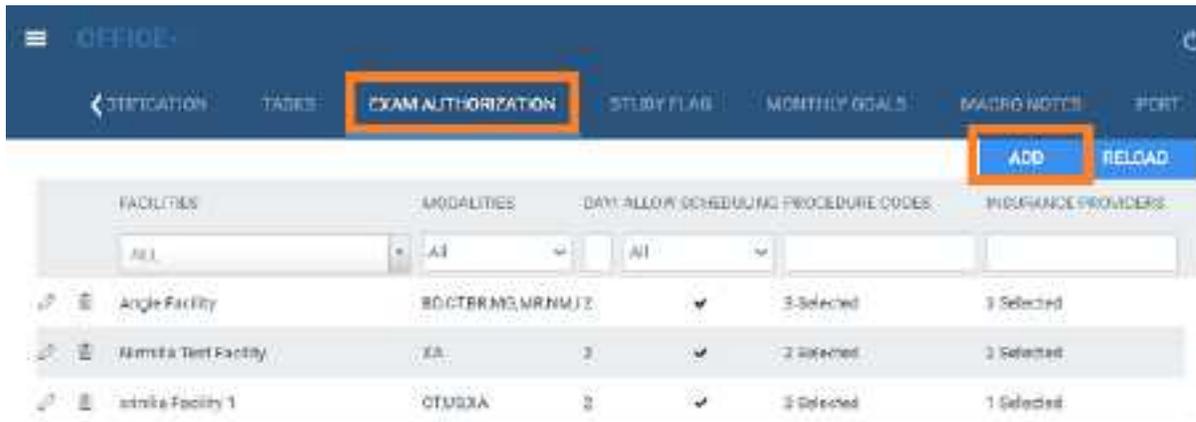
3. Under **Facility**, to make different authorization rules for different facilities, **Choose facilities.**

4. Configure the following settings.

Setting	Description
Facility	Select one or more facilities in the dropdown list that will use the authorization rule.
Modality	Select one or more modalities to which the authorization rule will apply.
Days	Type the minimum number of days required for authorization (the exam cannot be scheduled during the number of days you enter).
Allow Scheduling	Select to allow users to schedule exams that are currently unauthorized, but that can be authorized in the future. Gives the user the option to schedule the exam, create a preorder instead, or cancel.
Procedure Codes	Select one or more procedure codes. The authorization rule only applies to the procedures you select.
Insurance Providers	Select one or more insurance providers. The authorization rule only applies to the providers you select.

5. Select **SAVE.**

See also:

Authorize an exam
What are authorization, verification, and estimation?

## Create a study flag

You can create a study flag that users can apply to studies and orders on the worklist. Sorting the worklist by flags is one way for users to easily find groups of studies or orders to work on. You can also use them to trigger routing rules. When you create a study flag, you can restrict its availability by institution, facility, modality, and other parameters.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Office** > **STUDY FLAG**.
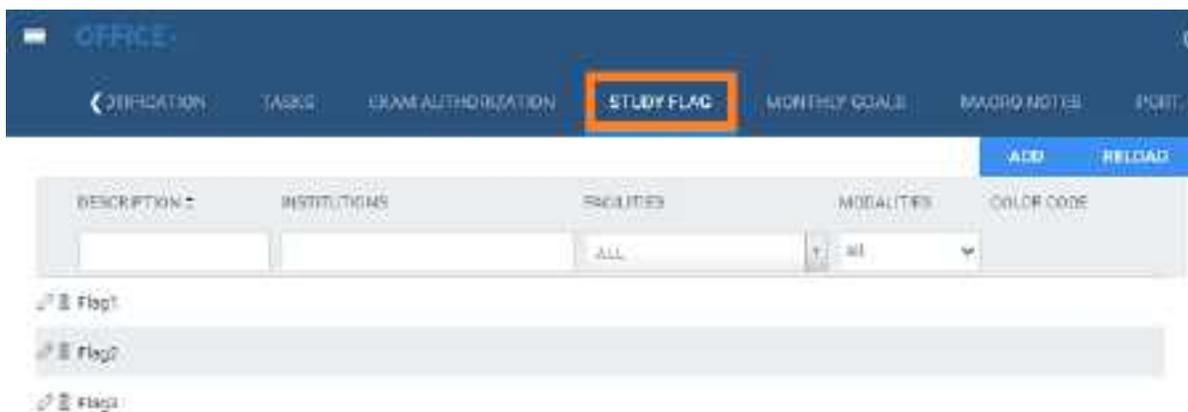
2. Select **ADD.**
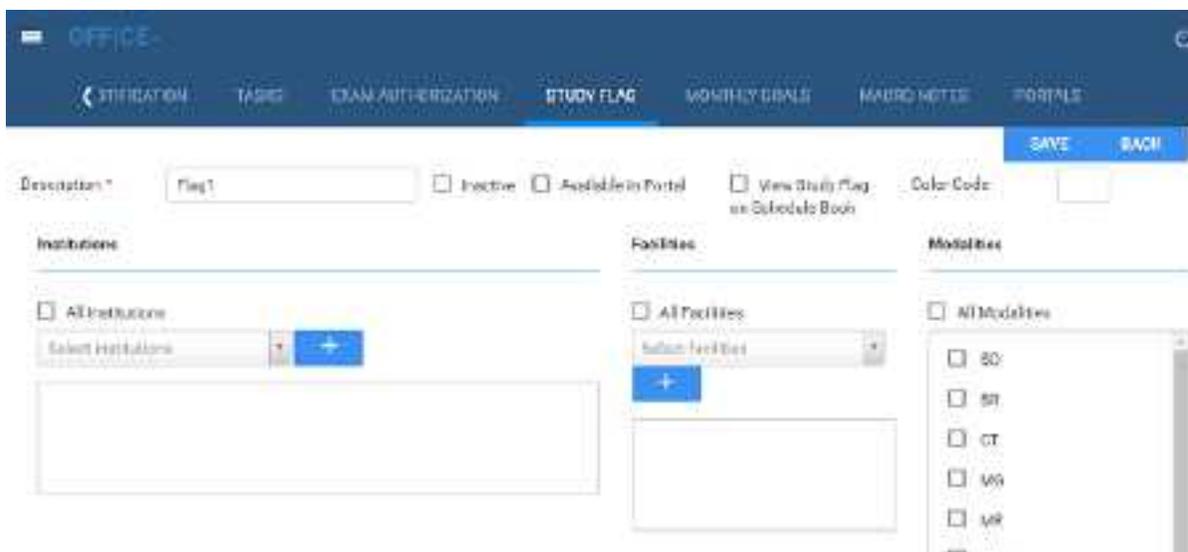
3. In the **Description** box, type a name for the flag.

4. Enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Available in Portal	Select to make the flag available in the physicians' portal. If selected, all other settings become unavailable.
View Study Flag on Schedule Book	Select to show any study flags added to a study on the appointment card in the schedule book.
Color Code	Select a color in the picker. This color appears in the Study Flag column in the worklist.
Institutions	Select the institutions for which the study flag is available.
Facilities	Select the facilities for which the study flag is available.
Modalities	Select the modalities for which the study flag is available.

5. Select **SAVE.**

Set monthly goals

You can set monthly goals for the number of studies to perform, for example.

Procedure

1. Go to [SETUP] > [OFFICE] > **Office** > **STUDY FLAG**.

2. Select **ADD.**

3. Enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Modality	Select the modality for which to set a goal.
Goal Period	Select the month for the goal.
Monthly Goal	Type the target number of studies to perform with the selected modality.
Working Days per Month	Type the number of days in the selected month.

4. Select **SAVE**.

Configure macro notes

Macro notes are pre-configured blocks of text and metadata that you can add as notes to items in various parts of the program such as studies, schedules, and claims. Configuring macro notes ahead of time

saves you from having to re-enter the same notes on multiple occasions.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Office** > **MACRO NOTES**.

2. Select **ADD**.

3. Enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Description	Type a short description for the macro note to appear as the selectable option when adding notes in other parts of the program.
Macro Types	Select the context in which the macro note is available.
Facilities	Select the facilities where the macro note is available.
Modalities	Select the modality with which the macro note is available.
Edit Appointment Types	Select to add or remove the appointment types for which the macro note is available.
Macro Text	Type the text of the macro note.

4. Select **SAVE**.

Configure portal links

You can add up to two custom links (URLs) to the patient, provider, or attorney portal. For example, you could add a link to the patient portal that sends your patients to your company's payment website.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Office** > **PORTALS**.

2. Select a portal sub-tab, and then enter the following settings.

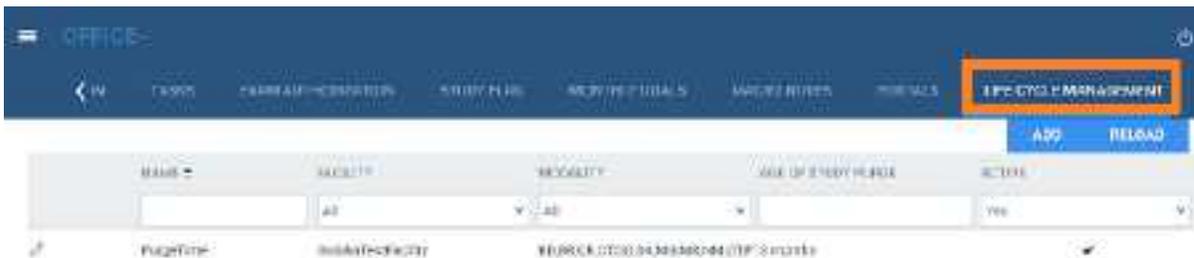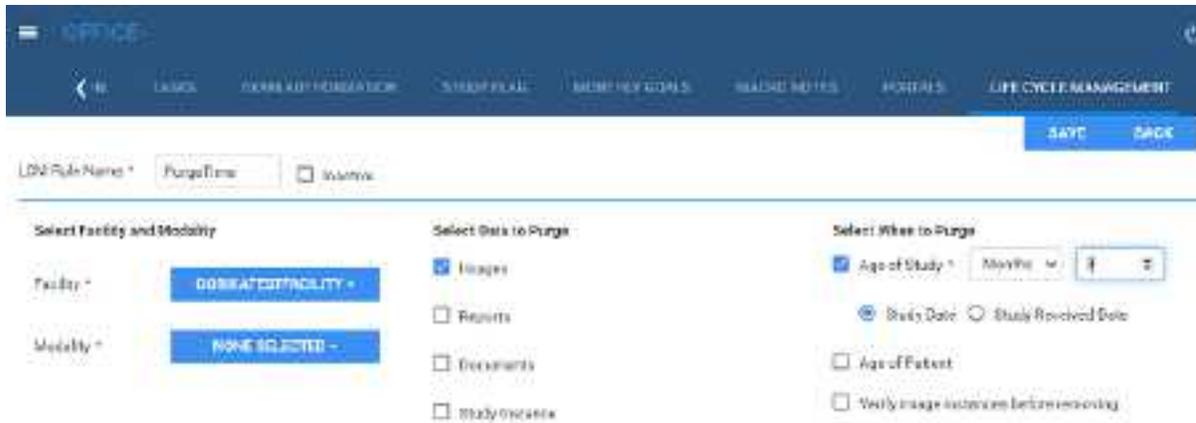| Setting	Description
Label	Type the link text that appears to the user. For example, Pay Now.
Link	Type the URL. For example: `https:\www.ourcompname.com\customer_payment_site`

3. Select **SAVE**.

Manage life cycles

To automatically purge aging images from the database (such as for legal or efficiency purposes), you can create life cycle management (LCM) rules.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Office** > **LIFE CYCLE MANAGEMENT**.

2. Select **ADD.**

3. In the **LCM Rule Name** box, type a name for the rule.

4. Enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Facility/Modality	Select the facilities and modalities whose data is subject to purging by the rule.
Data to Purge	Select one or more types of data to purge.
When to Purge	Age of Study: Select the checkbox, and then enter the number and category of days.
	Age of Patient: Select the checkbox, and then enter the age of the patient.
	Verify image instance before removing: Select the checkbox, and then select the databases from which to purge the images.

5. Select **SAVE**.

Configure all LDAP settings

Exa PACS/RIS supports the LDAP and LDAPS (LDAP Secure) protocols.

Make LDAP available

You can set up a connection to an Active Directory/LDAP server and synchronize users between the Exa PACS/RIS database and the LDAP server.

Procedure

1. On the burger ☰ menu, select **SETUP**.

2. On the **OFFICE** menu, select **Office**.

3. On the **COMPANY** tab, select **Enable LDAP**.

4. On the **LDAP CONFIG**. sub-tab, under **Active Directory Server**, type the server address and other settings.

5. Under **Credentials**, type user credentials to sign in to the **LDAP server**.

6. Under **User Synchronization**, enter whether and how often to synchronize the Exa PACS/RIS database with the LDAP server.

7. Optional: To confirm your connection settings, select **CHECK CONNECTION**.

8. Optional: To synchronize servers manually, select **SYNCHRONIZE**.

9. Select **SAVE LDAP CONFIGURATION**.

About AD synchronization

Synchronize AD users and groups to ensure that the Exa PACS/RIS server has the same AD users and groups as the LDAP server. With regard to groups, a user can only be a member of one Exa PACS/RIS–related AD group at a time. The following examples illustrate how group synchronization works.

Example 1

Before synchronization	Change	After synchronization
User 1 in LDAP group A User 1 not in LDAP group B	Add user 1 to LDAP group B	User now in LDAP group B
User 1 in Exa PACS/RIS group A Exa PACS/RIS has no group B	-none-	No change

Example 2

Before synchronization	Change	After synchronization

User 1 in LDAP group A User 1 not in LDAP group B	Move user 1 from LDAP group A to LDAP group B	User now in LDAP group B
User 1 in Exa PACS/RIS group A Exa PACS/RIS has no group B	-none-	User is removed from group Exa PACS/RIS group A, but can be added back.

Synchronize AD groups

To synchronize AD groups with the LDAP server:

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, select **SETUP**.

2. On the **OFFICE** menu, select **User Management**.

3. On the **AD GROUPS** tab, select **SYNC. AD GROUPS**.

4. In the left pane, select the groups that you want to synchronize (add to the server).

5. Select **CREATE SELECTED GROUPS**.

Synchronize AD users

To synchronize AD users with the LDAP server:

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, select **SETUP**.

2. On the **OFFICE** menu, select **User Management**.

3. On the **AD USERS** tab, select **SYNC. AD USERS**.

4. In the left pane, select the users that you want to synchronize (add to the server).

5. Select **CREATE SELECTED USERS**.

Optimize LDAP for large numbers of query results

By default, windows returns a maximum of 1000 objects in response to an LDAP query, but you can increase this number. This can be useful when importing bulk accounts or other objects from Active Directory by using Adobe Connect or other means.

Find the fully qualified domain name (FQDN)

1. On the LDAP server, in **Control Panel**, select **System and Security** > **Administrative Tools** > **Active Directory Domains and Trusts**.

2. In the left pane of the **Active Directory Domains and Trusts** dialog, under **Active Directory Domains and Trusts**, find the FQDN for the computer or computers.

3. Keep this information for use in the next procedure.

Set parameters

1. On your LDAP domain controller, at the command prompt, sign in as the domain administrator.

2. Type `NTDSUTIL`, and then select **ENTER**.

3. At the `ntdsutil`: prompt, type `ldap policies`.

4. At the `ldap policy`: prompt, type `connections`.

5. At the `server connections`: prompt, type `connect to server <FQDN of domain controller>`.

6. When the connection is open, type `q`.

7. At the `ldap policy`: prompt, type show values to view the current MaxPageSize value.

8. To change the value, type: `set MaxPageSize to 30000`.

9. Optional. To confirm your in-progress change, type: `Show Changes`.

10. To commit the change, type: `commit changes`.

Configure providers and resources

You can set up individual healthcare providers, their groups and facilities, and provider pay schedules.

Configure an ordering facility

An ordering facility—such as a skilled nursing facility—is a facility that hires a mobile radiology company (see About mobile billing). You can configure an ordering facility at your institution to be able to submit electronic orders for exams. The orders submitted appear on the PRE ORDERS tab of the worklist for scheduling.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Providers & Resources** > **ORDERING FACILITY**.
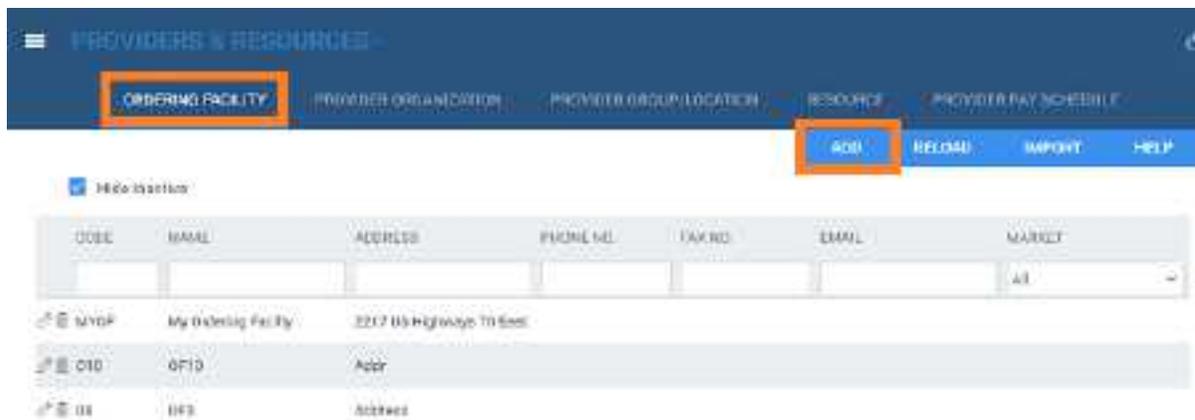
2. Select **ADD**, and then enter the following information.

Setting	Description
Code	Type your internal facility code.
Name	Type the name of the facility.
Market	Select the market served by the facility.
[Address]	Type or select the address and country or region of the facility.
Default POS Map	Select a map to the place of service, such as Google Maps.
Medicare Provider No.	Type the Medicare provider number of the facility.
CLIA No.	Type the clinical laboratory improvement amendments number of the facility.
Notes	For mobile billing, type notes to the ordering facility, and apply formatting by using the word processing tools provided.
NPI No.	Type the national provider identifier of the facility.

Setting	Description
Provider Agreement Code	Select the Medicare provider agreement code of the facility.
Entity Identifier Code	Select the entity identifier code of the facility (refer to the USHIK).
EIN	Type the employer identification number of the facility.
State License No.	Type the state medical license number of the facility.
ETIN	Type the ETIN to be able to use electronic transfers.
Federal Tax ID	Type the federal tax ID of the facility.
Medicaid Provider No.	Type the Medicaid provider number.
Taxonomy Code	The Medicare/Medicaid taxonomy code (refer to CMS.gov).
Medicare UPIN	If there is only one healthcare provider at the facility, and the provider has no NPI, type the unique physician identification number of the provider.
SSN	If there is only one healthcare provider at the facility, type the social security number of the provider, if available.
Contract Start Date	The start date of any mobile billing contract made with the ordering facility.
Fee Schedule	Select a fee schedule from the dropdown list. To add fee schedules, see Configure a fee schedule.
Locations/Contacts	Select a provider associated with the ordering facility, and then select the plus button.

3. Select **SAVE**.

4. Enter the following settings on the sub-tabs that appear.

Locations/Contacts

See Add a location or contact to an ordering facility.

Providers

To view the providers at the ordering facility, select the **PROVIDERS** sub-tab.

Setting	Description
[None]	Lists providers added to the ordering facility.

Summary

To generate summaries of patients and studies at the ordering facility, select the **SUMMARY** sub-tab.

Setting	Description
Patients/Study	Select whether display patients or studies in the ordering facility summary report.
From Date/To Date	Enter a date range for the summary report.

- Select **GO** to view the summary report.

Marketing Rep

To configure a marketing rep. for the ordering facility, select the **MARKETING REP**. sub-tab.

Setting	Description
Marketing Rep.	Select the marketing representative for the facility.
Inherited From	If inherited, enter the contact information of the origin.

1. Select **SAVE**.

2. In the **Notes**, **Follow-Ups/Tasks**, and **Contracts** areas, select **ADD** to add the corresponding items to the marketing rep.

3. In the **Patient Documents** area, select **UPLOAD** to upload documents.

Login Details

You can link users who can sign in to the ordering facility portal, and assign sign-in credentials.

1. Select a user and then select **LINK USER**.

2. Optional. To add a new user, enter credentials and select **CREATE USER**.

Credentialed Technologists

You can link technologists to ordering facilities for which they are credentialed. This ensures that mobile sites do not assign non-credentialed technologists. If no technologists are linked, all technologists are available to assign.

- On the **CREDENTIALED TECHNOLOGISTS** sub-tab, select one or more technologists in the dropdown list.

Credentialed Radiologists

You can link radiologists to ordering facilities for which they are credentialed. Only linked radiologists can read studies of the ordering facility. If no radiologists are linked, all radiologists can read studies of the ordering facility.

- On the **CREDENTIALED RADIOLOGISTS** sub-tab, select one or more radiologists in the dropdown list.

Linked Resources

To link technologist or vehicle resources to the ordering facility, select the **LINKED RESOURCES** sub-tab.

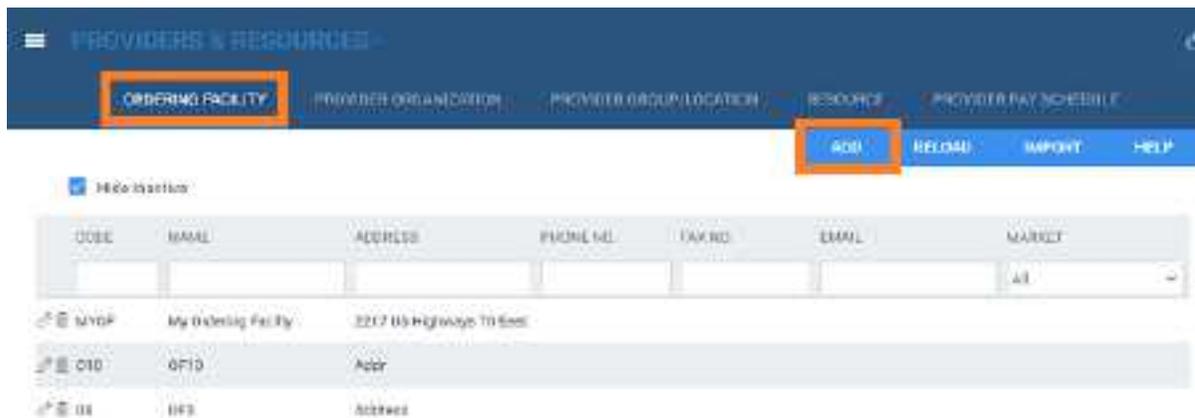| Setting	Description
Technologist	Select a technologist to link.
Vehicle	Select a vehicle to link.

Billing Rules

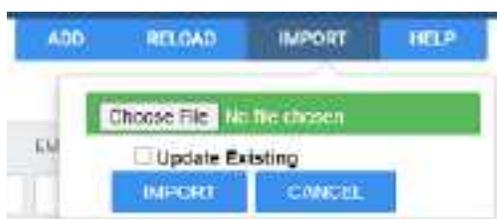See Add billing rules (see also About billing rules).

Import an ordering facility

If you obtain exported facility information you can import those facilities.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Providers & Resources** > **ORDERING FACILITY**.

2. On the **ORDERING FACILITY** tab, select **IMPORT**.

3. Select **Choose File**, browse for and select the file to import, and then select **Open**.

4. Optional. To replace existing facilities, select the **Update Existing** checkbox.

5. Select **IMPORT**.

What is a billing type?

The *billing type* is a setting for ordering facility locations that determines how their claims are handled. Since some insurance policies do not cover certain mobile billing charges, the **Split** billing type can be used to split charges between the ordering facility and the insurance carrier. Often you do not know the responsible payer for a mobile exam when you initially draft the invoice, and you can use the **Census** billing type to place such orders in a queue until the payer is determined. If both of the previous cases apply, you can use the **Global** billing type. Finally, you can use the **Facility** billing type to invoice the ordering facility for all charges.

The following provides more details about each billing type.

Type	Claims	Charges	Respons. Payer	Modifier	POS	Description (or Result When Census Updated)
Global	1	Global fees	Primary insurance	None	Ordering facility location	Studies change to Billed status and are removed from the Census screen.
Split	2	Technical charges	Ordering facility	TC saved in M1 or next available.	None	• Box 20 is checked "Yes," total claim amount filled into the charges box to the right of box 20 • Box 32 filled in with rendering provider's name, address, and NPI number. • Claims change to Billed status and are removed from the Census screen. Note: • When there are no technical charges, the claim is created but has zero bill fees for those charges
		Professional charges	Primary insurance	26 saved in M1 or next available.		• When there are no professional charges, the claim is created but has zero bill fees for those charges • When there are only global charges, the claims is created but has zero bill fees for those charges
Facility	Any	Global fees	Ordering facility	None	Ordering facility location	Studies do not appear in the Census screen.
Census						Studies appear in the Census screen for delayed claim creation. Use this billing type for skilled nursing facilities and other locations that need to wait to determine the claim payer type.

Add a location or contact to an ordering facility

Ordering facilities can have multiple locations. For example, skilled nursing facilities (SNFs) can have different halls, each with different nurse stations or fax lines. To address this, you can add locations or contacts to an ordering facility.

Procedure

1. Go to <u>SETUP</u> > <u>OFFICE</u> > **Providers & Resources** > **ORDERING FACILITY**.
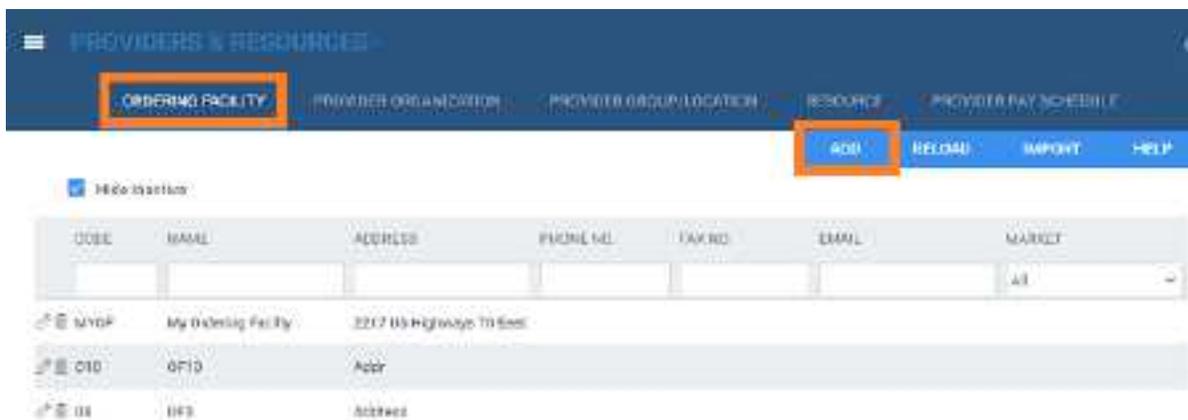
2. On the **ORDERING FACILITY** tab, open an ordering facility to edit, and then select the **LOCATIONS/CONTACTS** sub-tab.

3. Select **NEW CONTACT**, and then enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Location Name	Type the name of the location.
Phone/Fax/Email	Type the contact information for the facility.
Send Fax/Email	Select the checkboxes to indicate how to receive approved reports.

Setting	Description
Report Password	Type the password that the ordering facility must use to view reports generated from exams that they ordered.
Ordering Facility Type	Select the type of ordering facility for the location.
POS Type	Select the place of service code for the location.
Primary Contact	Select if this location is the primary contact for the ordering facility.
Billing Type	Select the billing type of the location. What is a billing type?

5. Select **SAVE CONTACT**.

6. Select **SAVE & CLOSE**.

About billing rules

The Billing Rules feature is available by special request. *Billing rules* apply to mobile billing claims for ordering facilities of type Split. Billing rules define automatic modifications to default charges and fees on ordering facility location claims. For example, if your ordering facility location frequently adds extra charges for X-rays performed after hours, you can create a billing rule that automatically adds the extra charge for you. The following table describes the types of billing rule that are available to configure. For instructions on how to configure a billing rule for an ordering facility, see Add a billing rule.

Billing Rule Type	Description
On claims for the selected OF location, adds a specified amount to fees for:	
After Hours	Selected CPTs when performed after hours.
Exam Override	Selected procedures.
Exam Type Override	Selected modalities.
Setup	Setup for selected CPTs.
Stat	Selected CPTs performed STAT.
Stat Exam Type	Selected modalities performed STAT.
Transport - Multi-patient	Transport to multiple patients with selected modalities. When serving multiple patients in a single dispatch, the transport fees are divided evenly between patients.
Transport - Single	Transport to the patient with selected modalities.

Note

- For all billing rule types, percentage-based fee overrides are based on the billable fee schedule assigned to the ordering facility if one exists, and the default fee schedule otherwise.

See also:

Configure a fee schedule

About fee schedules

Add a billing rule

The Billing Rules feature is available by special request. To add a billing rule for an ordering facility location:

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Providers & Resources** > **ORDERING FACILITY** > **ADD** (see also Configure an ordering facility).

2. On the **BILLING RULES** sub-tab, select **ADD RULE**, and then enter the following settings.

   Note: Available settings differ by billing rule type.

Setting	Description
Billing Rule	Select the billing rule type.
Ordering Facility Locations	Select the OF locations whose claims you want to modify by the rule.
Modalities	Select the modalities whose fee you want to modify.
Fee Code	Select the CPTs whose fee you want to modify.
Fee Basis	**Percentage**: Select to increase the fee by a percentage of the billing fee schedule assigned to the ordering facility, or the default fee schedule if no billing fee schedule was assigned. **Value**: Select to increase the fee by a fixed amount, and then type the amount in the box.
Billable Limit	If limits apply (for example by insurance companies), type the maximum amount for each patient for each dispatch that can be added to the fee.

3. Select **SAVE**.

See also:

About billing rules

Configure a fee schedule

About fee schedules

Add a provider organization

A provider organization is a parent entity for provider groups and locations.

Procedure

1. Go to <u>SETUP</u> > <u>OFFICE</u> > **Providers & Resources** > **PROVIDER ORGANIZATION**.

2. Select **Add**, and then enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Code	Type your internal code for the organization.
Description	Type a description.

3. Select **SAVE & CLOSE**.

Add a provider group or location

If your institution works with a provider group, add it to the system.

Procedure

1. Go to <u>SETUP</u> > <u>OFFICE</u> > **Providers & Resources** > **PROVIDER GROUP/LOCATION**.

2. Select **Add.**

3. Enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Code	Type your internal code for the group.
Name	Type the name of the group.
Provider Organization	Select the provider organization to which the provider group or location belongs.
[Address]	Type and select the address and country or region of the group.
Phone/Fax No.	Type the primary contact information for the group.
Email	Type the email address of the primary contact at the group.
Report Password	Type the password that the provider group must use to view reports generated from exams that they ordered.

4. Select **SAVE**.

5. Use the **PROVIDERS** sub-tab to view or edit the list of configured providers.

6. Use the **SUMMARY** tab to display a list of patients or studies associated with the current provider group.

7. Use the **MARKETING REP** sub-tab to add a marketing rep to the provider group.

Add a resource

A *resource* is an attorney, nurse, provider, laboratory, radiologist, technologist, or referring provider. You can add individual resources and add them to one or more provider groups.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Providers & Resources** > **RESOURCE**.
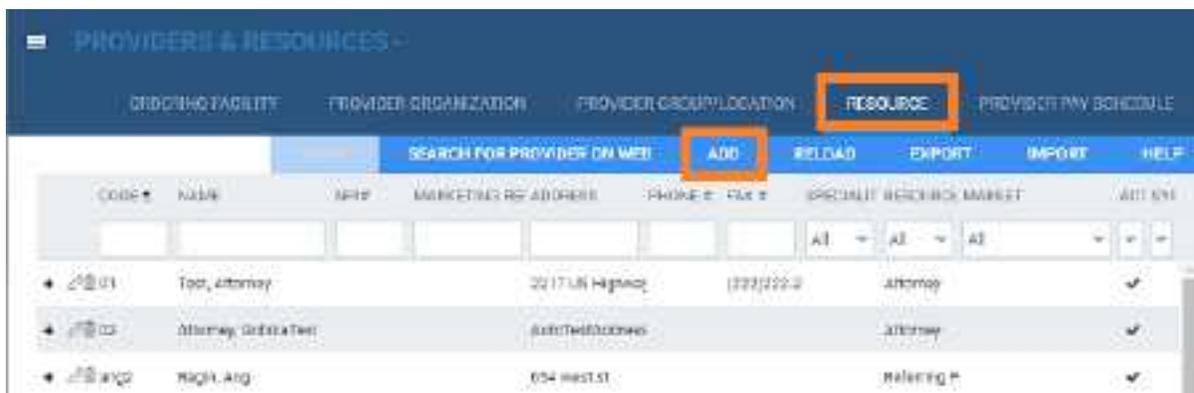
2. Select **Add**.

   Note: The settings available differ depending on your selection in the **Type** dropdown list.

3. Enter the following settings.

Tab/Sub-tab	Setting	Description
RESOURCE	Type	Select an Exa PACS/RIS provider type.
	Code	Type your internal code for the provider.
	Name	Type the name of the provider.
	Modality	Select the technologist's allowed modalities.
	Title	Type the academic credentials of the provider (e.g. MD)
	NPI No.	Type the national provider identifier of the facility.
	Taxonomy Code	The Medicare/Medicaid taxonomy code (refer to CMS.gov).

Tab/Sub-tab	Setting	Description
	Dr. Office Name	Type the business name of the provider's office.
	SSN	Type the social security number of the provider.
	Federal Tax ID	Type the federal tax ID of the provider.
	EIN No.	Type the employer identification number of the provider.
	ETIN No.	Type the ETIN to be able to use electronic transfers.
	Medicare UPIN	If the provider has no NPI, type the unique physician identification number of the provider.
	Market	Select the market that the resource serves. All facilities in the Facilities dropdown list that are associated with the selected market become selected.
	Facilities	Select all facilities with which the provider is associated.
	Specialty	Select the specialties of the provider.
	License No.	Type the state medical license number of the provider.
	Medicare Provider No.	Type the Medicare provider number of the provider.
	Medicaid Provider No.	Type the Medicaid provider number of the provider.
	Prov. Agreement Code	Type the code for the legal provider agreement code.
	POS Type	Displayed when Referring Provider is selected as the provider type. Select the place of service type for the referring provider's location.
	Fee Schedule	Displayed when Referring Provider is selected as the provider type.
	Max TAT	Assign a maximum turnaround time for the provider, in minutes. Exa PACS/RIS divides this time into 4 segments on the TAT monitor on the worklist.
Locations / Contacts	Code	Type your internal code for the provider.
	Organization	Select the provider organization of the provider.
	Group	Select the provider group to which the provider belongs.
	Email	Type the email address of the provider. This is required to receive email reports, notifications, or attachments.
	Contact Name	Type a contact name, such as the name of the administrative assistant of the provider.
	[Address]	Type or select the country or region and address of the provider.
	Provider Alerts	Type any alerts for the provider, such as "only takes referrals."

Tab/Sub-tab	Setting	Description
	Office Phone/Fax	Type the contact information for the provider's office.
	Mobile/Pager No.	Type the mobile and/or pager number of the provider.
	Phone No.	Type the personal phone number of the provider.
	Fax No.	Type the personal fax number of the provider.
	Primary Contact	Select to send reports to the referring provider only.
Reports to Me/Contact Information	Email Report Link Email Attachment Postal Mail Fax Office Fax HL7	Select to send reports to the individual provider location/contact, and select which methods to use. Note: If you select Email Report Link and/or Email Attachment, you must enter the recipient email address in the Contact Information area.
Reports to Group	Email Report Link Email Attachment Postal Mail Fax Office Fax HL7	Select to send reports to all members of the provider location/contact's provider group, and select which methods to use.
Report Password	--	If you selected Email Report Link previously, type the password that the provider must use to view reports generated from exams that they ordered.
Reports to Patient Portal	Delay	Type the number of days to wait before posting reports on the patient portal.
Image Delivery Options	CD Film Paper	Select which media to use to deliver images.
Notification Settings	Email/Fax	Select to receive notifications by email and/or fax.
	Receive When Added as CC Provider	Select to have the provider receive notifications by email if they are added as a CC (carbon copy) provider.

4. Select **SAVE CONTACT** and then **SAVE & CLOSE**.

See also:

Configure a technologist

Deliver reports

Configure a notification template

Convert or merge a system provider resource

When Exa PACS/RIS receives a study with providers that it does not recognize, it automatically creates a *system provider* resource and associates the study with that system provider. System providers are not available in other parts of the program, but you can convert them to a usable provider or merge them with an existing one.
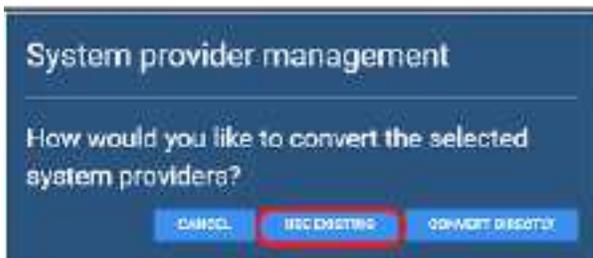
Procedure

1. Go to <u>SETUP</u> > <u>OFFICE</u> > **Providers & Resources** > **RESOURCE**.
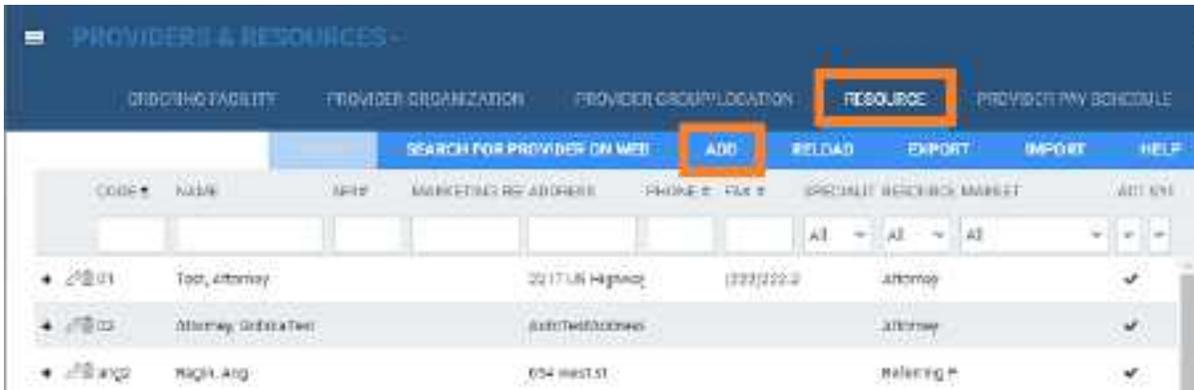
2. On the **SYSTEM PROVIDER** column, select **Yes**.

1. Select a system provider in the list, and then select **CONVERT SELECTED**.

2. To create a new provider, select **CONVERT DIRECTLY**.

3. To merge with an existing provider, select **USE EXISTING**, and then select a provider in the list.

4. Select **SAVE**.

Configure a technologist

Technologists have access to special features in Exa PACS/RIS, and therefore require a slightly more detailed configuration. For example, you can select which appointment types the technologist is allowed to perform, and assign schedule rules to the technologist, which prevents scheduling them for an appointment that they are not allowed to perform. To configure a technologist:

Add a technologist resource

1. Follow the steps in Add a resource to add a resource of type **Technologist**, but do not select **SAVE & CLOSE**.

2. On the **ALLOWED APPOINTMENTS** sub-tab, select **ADD**.

3. In the **Edit Appointment Types** dialog, select the checkboxes for all appointments that the technologist is allowed to perform, and then select **SAVE**.

4. Optional. On the **SCHEDULE RULES** sub-tab, select an edit button to modify a schedule rule.

5. Select **SAVE & CLOSE**.

Create a technologist user role

1. On the burger ☰ menu, select **Setup**.

2. On the **OFFICE** menu, select **User Management**.

3. On the **USER ROLES** tab, select **ADD**, type a name and description of the role (such as "Technologist"), and the select **SAVE**.

4. In the **User Role Permission** area, select the **Technologist** user right, plus any other rights you want to grant all technologists.

5. Select **SAVE & CLOSE**.

Create a technologist user group

1. On the **USER GROUPS** tab, select **ADD.**

2. In the **Roles** dropdown list, select **Technologist** (or the name of the technologist user role you created earlier).

3. Enter other settings for the group (see Create a user group), and then select **SAVE**.

Create a technologist user

Configure an individual technologist as a technologist user.

1. On the **USERS** tab, select **ADD**.

2. In the **Linked Provider User Type** dropdown list, select **Technologist**.

3. In the **Technologist** dropdown list, select the technologist resource you created earlier.

4. Enter all other settings for the user (see Create a user).

5. Select **SAVE**.

Configure a provider pay schedule

To help with billing, you can configure a pay schedule for each organization that provides radiology reading services. The schedule defines the charges by procedure, modality, and radiologist.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Providers & Resources** > **PROVIDER PAY SCHEDULE**.

2. Select **ADD**.

3. Enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Pay Schedule Name	Type a name for the pay schedule. Typically, this is the name or organization of the radiologist.
Start/End Date	Select a date range during which the pay schedule is valid.
Provider	Select a radiologist to assign to the providing organization, and then select the plus button. You can add multiple radiologists.
Modalities/Fee	Select one or more modalities to which to assign a fee. Type the fee to charge when using the selected modality during an exam, and then select the plus button. Add all modality/fee combinations that the provider offers.
Appointment Types/Fee	Select one or more appointment (exam) types to which to assign a fee. Type the fee for the selected exam, and then select the plus button. Add all appointment type/fee combinations that the provider offers.

4. Select **SAVE.**

Configure scheduling and codes

You can set up information related to scheduling exams, including fees, body parts, appointment types, diagnostic and procedure codes, and various kinds of templates.

About fee schedules

Fee schedules define what your healthcare institution charges for procedures.

Types of fee schedule

- **Billing fee schedule**: The primary type of fee schedule. Lists the global fees before any other considerations.
- **Allowed fee schedule:** The contract rate agreed upon with insurance companies. Used for reference purposes.
- **Self-pay schedule:** Reflects discounts for cash payments made by individual patients.

Creating fee schedules

To create fee schedules, see Configure a fee schedule.

Using fee schedules

To use a fee schedule, assign it to an insurance provider, facility, and/or ordering facility as described in these topics:

Add an insurance provider

Configure an ordering facility
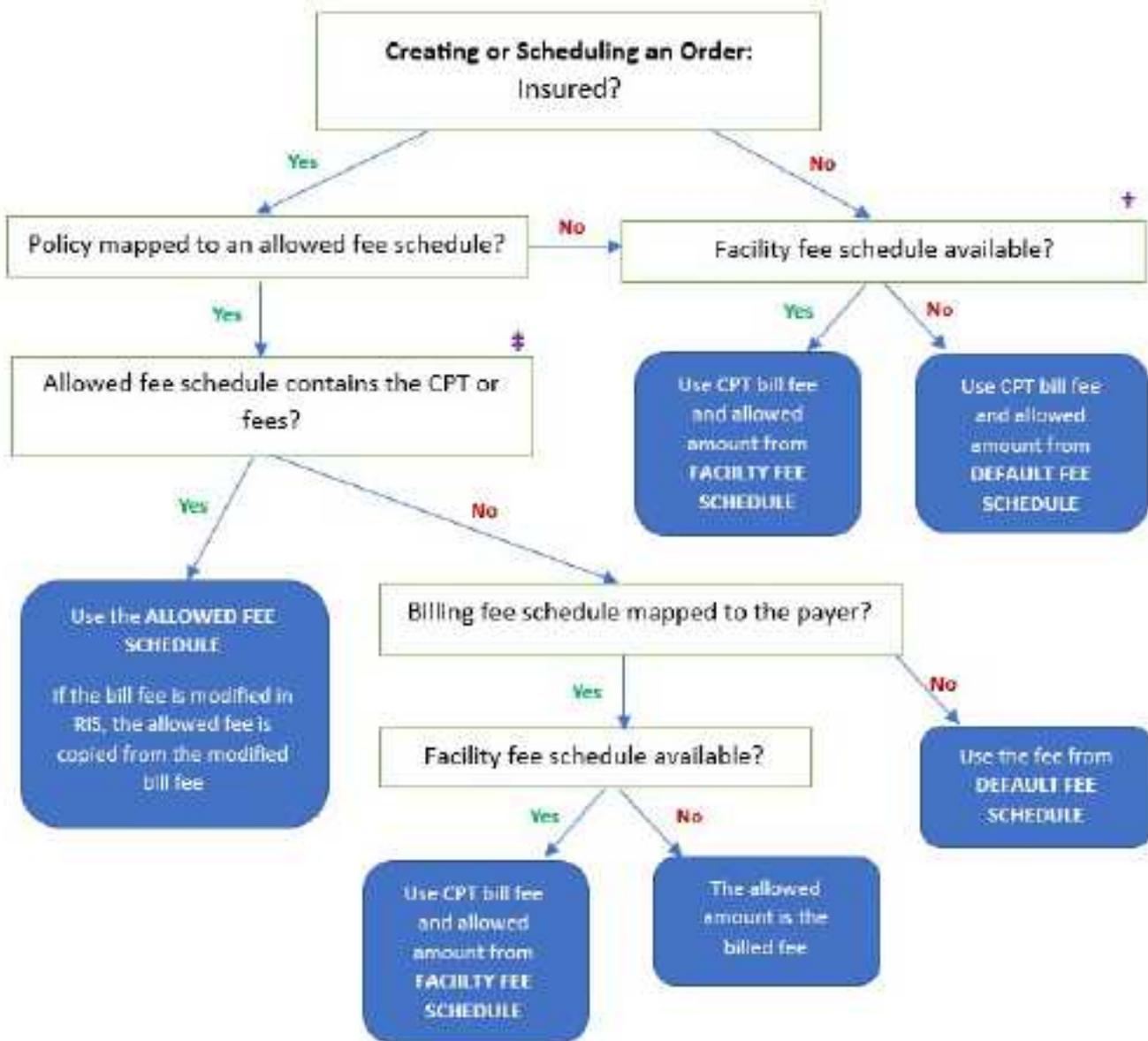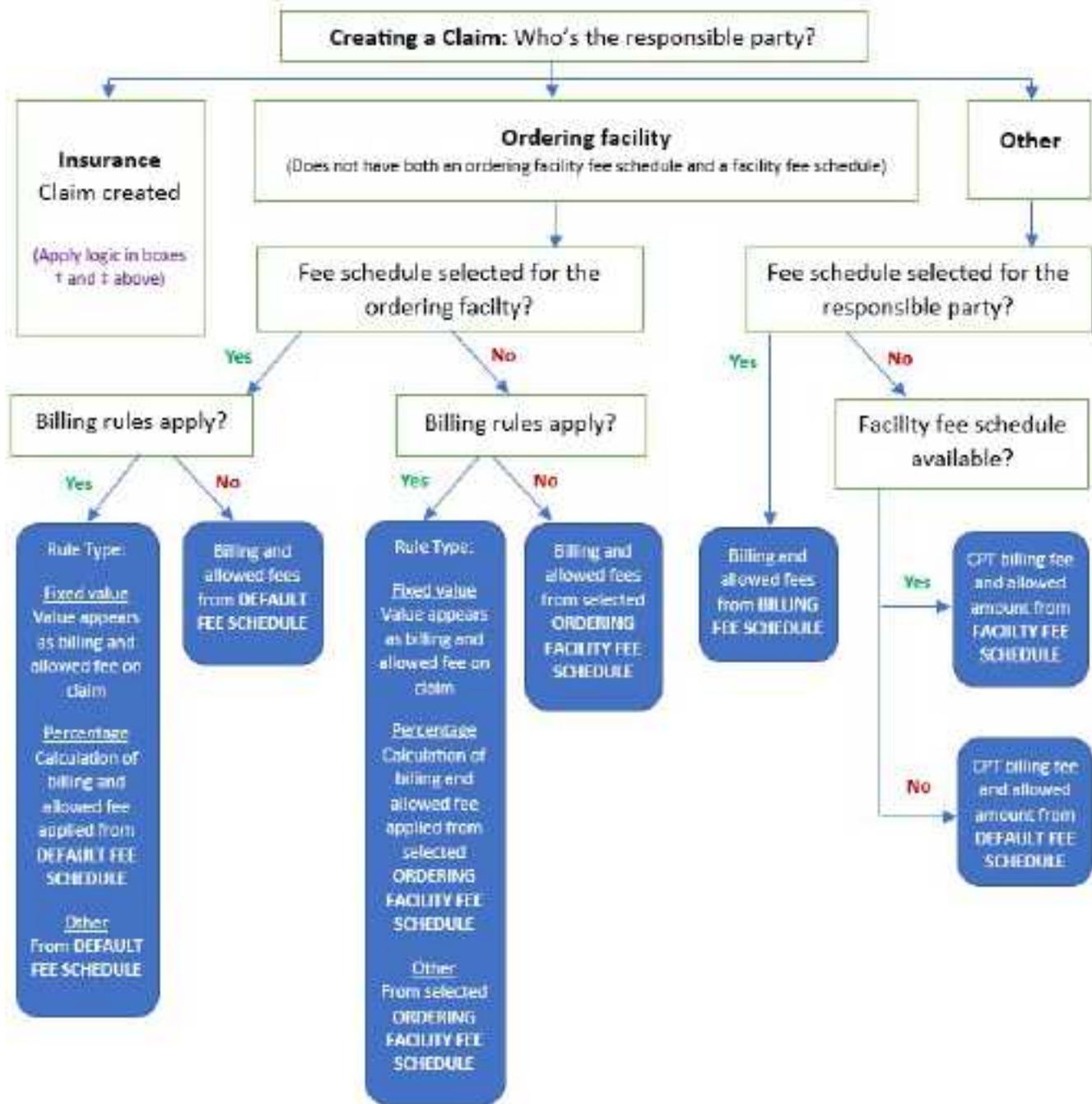
Add a facility

Ordering facilities: which fees are used from which schedules?

Exa PACS/RIS uses sophisticated logic to determine which fees to apply based on any fee schedules that you create.

<u>For ordering purposes</u>

For billing purposes

Configure a fee schedule

You can configure fee schedules by following these steps:

Prerequisites: Configure procedure codes.

Procedure

1. Go to <u>SETUP</u> > <u>OFFICE</u> > **Scheduling & Codes** > **FEE SCHEDULE**.

2. Select **ADD**, and then enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Fee Schedule Name	Type a name for the fee schedule.
From Date/To Date	Select a date range during which the fee schedule is valid. The From date must be the current day or earlier.
Type	Select a type from the dropdown.

3. Select **SAVE.**

4. On the **FEE SCHEDULE** tab, find the schedule you just added, and then double-click to open it.
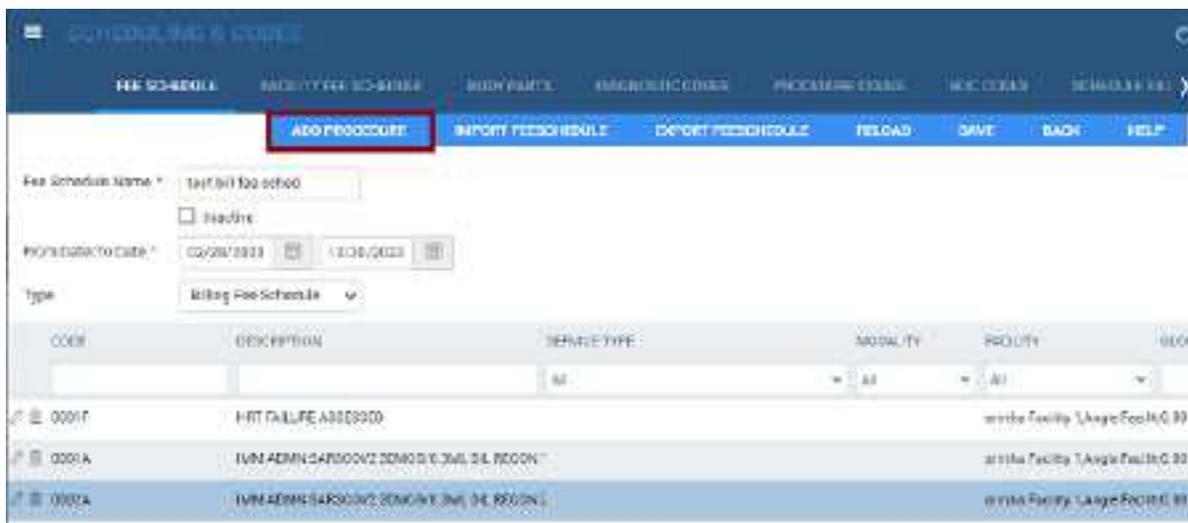
5. Select **ADD PROCEDURE**, select one or more procedures in the list, and then select **SAVE.**

   To find procedures to add, enter one or more of the following search criteria, and then select **SEARCH**.

Setting	Description
Add To	Shows the name of the current fee schedule.
Facilities	Select the facilities that provide the procedure.
Code	Type the code for the procedure.
Short Description	Type one or more characters in the description of the procedure.
Modalities	Select the modalities used in the procedure.
Ref. Code	Type the reference code for the procedure. In most cases this can be the CPT or LOINC code.
NDC Code	Type the national drug code associated with the procedure.
Service Type	Select a service type in the dropdown list.

6. On the **FEE SCHEDULE** tab, select **SAVE.**

   Result: The Fee Schedule tab reappears with the procedures you added in the list.

7. Open one of the procedures, and in the **Fee Details** dialog, enter the following fees:

8. Add fees to all of the procedures in the fee schedule, and then select **SAVE**.

See also:

About fee schedules

Import or export a fee schedule

You can import a fee schedule from another Exa PACS/RIS installation, or export a fee schedule from your current installation. When importing a fee schedule that already exists in Exa PACS/RIS but contains new CPT or billing codes, the new codes are added to the program. However as of version 1.4.32_P6, new appointment types are not added.

Procedure

1. Go to [SETUP](#) > [OFFICE](#) > **Scheduling & Codes** > **FEE SCHEDULE**.

2. Double-click an existing fee schedule to open it.

3. To import a fee schedule:

   a. Select **IMPORT FEE SCHEDULE**.

   b. Select **Choose File**, browse for and select a file to import, and then select **Open**.

   c. Select **IMPORT**.
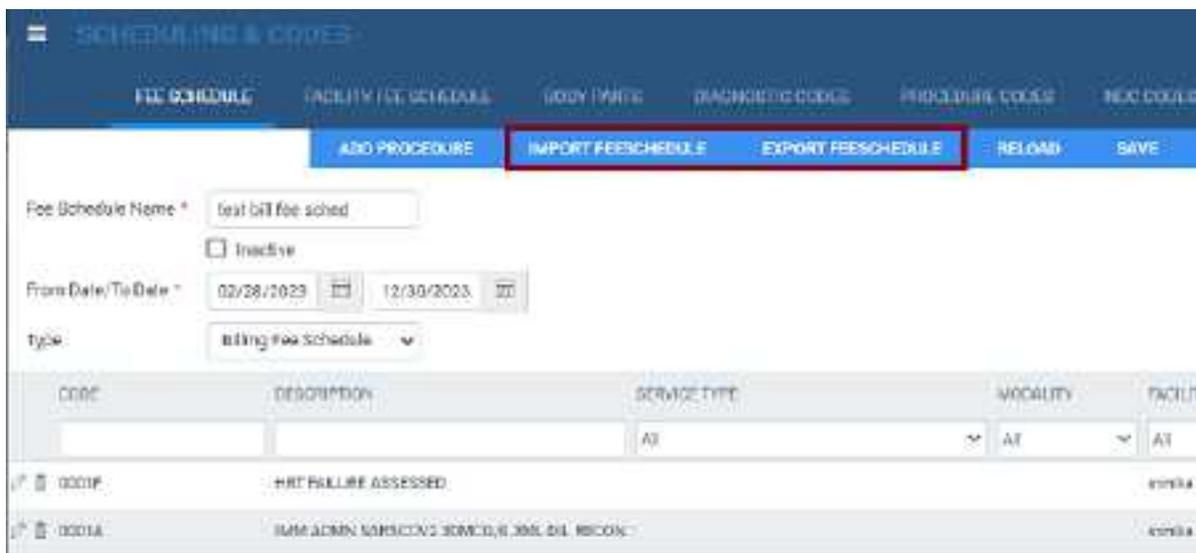
5. To export the current fee schedule to your Windows Downloads folder, select **EXPORT FEE SCHEDULE**.

Configure a facility fee schedule

It can be useful to configure individual facility fee schedules: if your fees differ by facility; for teleradiology; of if you generate the Fees by Facility or Fees by Modality report.

Procedure

1. Go to <u>SETUP</u> > <u>OFFICE</u> > **Scheduling & Codes** > **FACILITY FEE SCHEDULE**.

2. Select **ADD**.
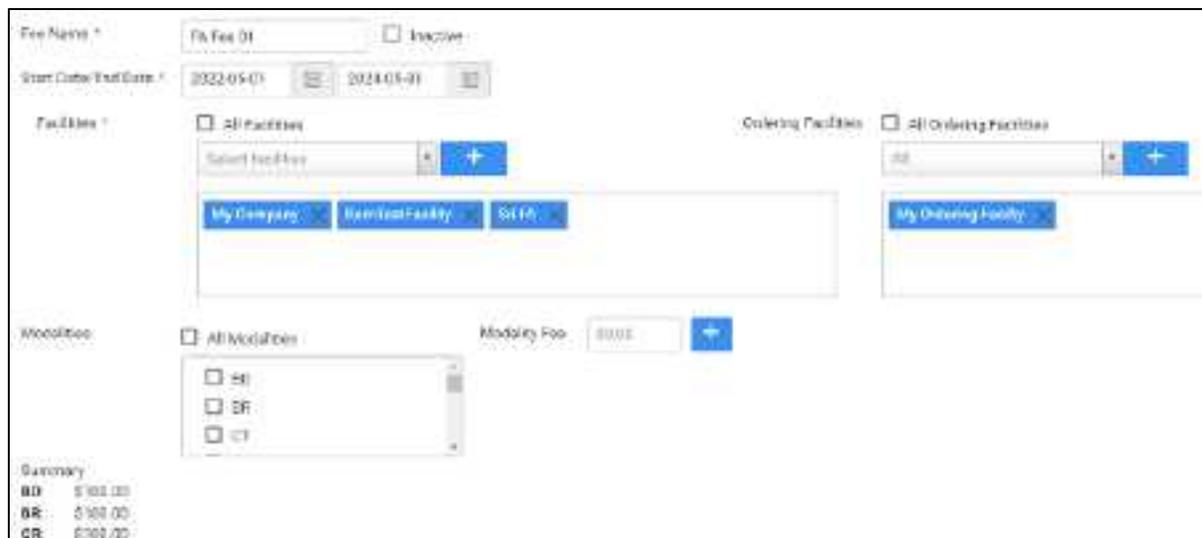
3. Enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Fee Name	Type a name for the facility fee schedule.
Start Date/End Date	Select a date range during which the schedule is valid.
Facilities	Select one or more facilities to which the schedule applies.
Modalities	Select one or more modalities to which the fee applies.
Modality Fee	Type the fee for the modality, and then select the plus ➕ button. You can add multiple modality/fee combinations.

4. Select **SAVE.**

See also:

About fee schedules

Configure body parts

You can define body parts for use in other parts of the program.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Scheduling & Codes** > **BODY PARTS**.

2. Select **ADD**.

3. Type the name and alternative name for the body part, and then select **SAVE.**

Configure diagnostic codes

You can enter SNOMED, ICD, or LOINC codes for use in other parts of the program.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Scheduling & Codes** > **DIAGNOSTIC CODES**.

2. Select **ADD**.

3. Enter the following settings.

    Code – Type the code to enter.

    Description – Type the code's diagnosis description.

    Code Type – Select the code standard to which the code belongs.

4. Select **SAVE**.

Import diagnostic codes

If you obtain exported diagnostic codes, such as from the CMS or AMA, you can import them.

Procedure

1. Go to <u>SETUP</u> > <u>OFFICE</u> > **Scheduling & Codes** > **DIAGNOSTIC CODES**.

2. Select **IMPORT**.

3. Select **Choose File**, browse for and select the file to import, and select **Open**.

4. Optional. To replace existing facilities, select the **Update Existing** checkbox.

5. Select **IMPORT**.

About procedure codes, appointment types, and appointment type procedures

Procedure code

A *procedure code* (or *CPT code*) is an internal code that identifies a medical procedure. You enter procedure codes in Exa PACS/RIS primarily *for purposes of billing*.

Appointment types and appointment type procedures

An *appointment type* defines a set of related procedures to perform during an exam *for purposes of scheduling and medical examinations* (by the front desk, radiologists, and technologists).

An appointment type includes one or more *appointment type procedures* (which are the same as "procedures") to perform during a single appointment. A common example would be an appointment type that includes an imaging study (one procedure) with contrast (another procedure).

Where do I use these?

Exa PACS/RIS prompts you for either a procedure or appointment type (or both) depending on which part of the program you are using. For example, when *scheduling* the exam, the scheduler enters appointment types. When *reading* the exam, the radiologist also enters appointment types. When *billing* the exam, the biller enters procedure codes.

Grouped appointments

For even more flexibility when scheduling, you can create *grouped appointments* that contain one or more appointment types. As an example, a grouped appointment could have the following hierarchy.

Grouped appointment	Appointment type A	Appointment type procedure A
	Appointment type B	Appointment type procedure A
		Appointment type procedure B
		Appointment type procedure C

What's the difference?

- **Appointment types** are intended to contain multiple similar or related procedures.
- **Appointment types** can be scheduled from the schedule book or by using the Find Slots feature.
- **Grouped appointments** are intended to contain different exam types, such as an ultrasound and a mammogram--studies that take place in different modality rooms.
- **Grouped appointment** can only be scheduled by using the Find Slots feature.

Procedure code charge types

You can select a *charge type* for individual procedure codes that determines whether the procedures are billed to an ordering facility or insurance carrier, regardless of the claim's responsible payer. When you create a claim, Exa PACS/RIS automatically creates separate invoices for all procedure codes of each

charge type—one invoice for the insurance carrier, and one for the ordering facility. Specifying charge types is especially useful when working with ordering facility billing rules that automatically add special charges to ordering facility invoices.

See also:

Configure procedure codes
Configure appointment types
Configure grouped appointments

Configure procedure codes

A *procedure code* is an internal code that identifies a medical procedure. Additionally, procedure code entries serve as detailed sets of information about procedures that Exa PACS/RIS uses for billing, ordering, and other functions.

When you configure a procedure code, you can add NDCs that technologists can select when performing the exam. This makes the process of searching for and adding the appropriate contrast material and other medications more efficient and accurate.

Prerequisites: For adding NDCs to a procedure code, complete the steps in Configure NDCs.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Scheduling & Codes** > **PROCEDURE CODES**.
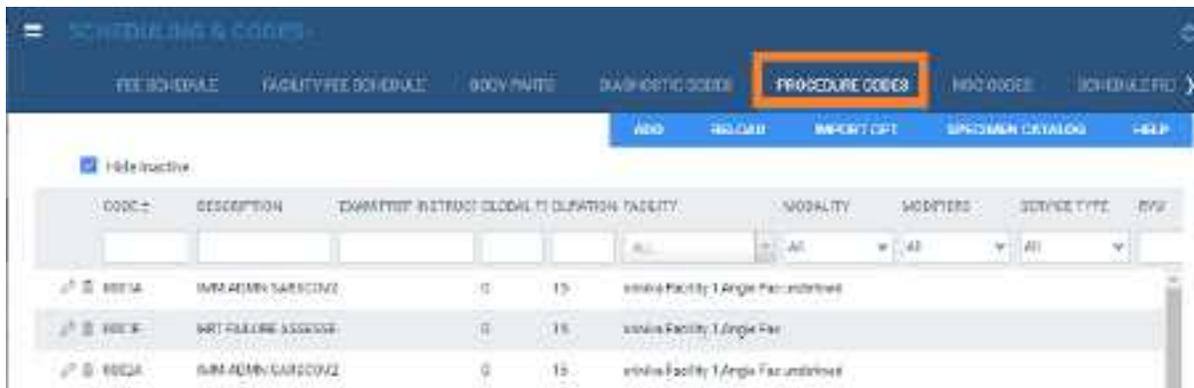
2. Select **ADD**.

3. Enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Single/Empty Code	[unused]
Facilities	Select one or more facilities that perform the procedure.
Code	Type your code for the procedure.
Short Description	Type a short description for the procedure.
Description	Type a full description of the procedure.
Service Type	Select the service type to which the procedure belongs.
Ref. Code	Type the reference code of the procedure. In most cases this can be the CPT or LOINC code.
NDC Code	Type the national drug code associated with the procedure, if any. For a more advanced NDC function, see later steps in this topic.
NDC Measure	Type the unit of measure for contrast and/or liquid medications. The value for this is usually UN.

Setting	Description
Color Code	Select in the box, and then select a color in the picker to assign to the procedure.
SDE Study	Select the checkbox if the procedure is associated with echo ultrasound.

4. Select **SAVE**.

5. Optional. On the **GENERAL** sub-tab, enter the following settings, and then select **SAVE**.

Setting	Description
Body Part	Select the body part associated with the procedure.
Non-Transcribable	Select if the procedure cannot be transcribed.
Require Copay	Select if the procedure requires a copayment.
Require Physician	Select if the procedure must be performed by a physician.
Require Waiting Time	Select if the procedure requires a waiting time before beginning (such as drinking Barium some number of hours before a procedure).
Notes	Type notes for the procedure as needed.
Charge Type	Select on which invoice to add the charge. Ordering Facility Invoice No Split - Insurance
Duration	Type the expected duration of the procedure.
Default Units	Type the number of procedure units.
RVU	Type or select the relative value units of the procedure for Medicare reimbursement.
Level	The provider level code that determines the pay rate to the radiologist.
Modalities	Select one or more modalities used in the procedure.

6. Optional. To add NDCs to the procedure code, do the following.

   a. On the **NDC** sub-tab, select **Add**.

   b. Search for a code by entering criteria in the search boxes at the top and selecting **Enter**.

   c. Select the checkboxes of the NDCs to add, and then select **SAVE**.

7. Optional. For **EXAM PREP. INSTRUCTIONS**, see Configure exam prep instructions.

8. Optional. To add diagnostic codes (other than standard ones already on your system), on the **DIAGNOSTIC CODES** sub-tab, select codes from the dropdown list.

9. Optional. To associate a diagnostic code with the procedure code, on the **DIAGNOSTIC CODES** sub-tab, select a code.

10. Optional. To select a report template to be used for the procedure, on the **DEFAULT REPORT TEMPLATE** sub-tab, do one of the following.

- In the **Template** List, select an existing template.
- Select **NEW TEMPLATE**, type a template name, create a template in the word processing area, and then select **SAVE TEMPLATE**.

11. Select **SAVE & CLOSE**.

See also:

About procedure codes, appointment types, and appointment type procedures

Import specimen catalogs

If you obtain specimen catalogs in CSV format, you can import them.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Scheduling & Codes** > **PROCEDURE CODES**.
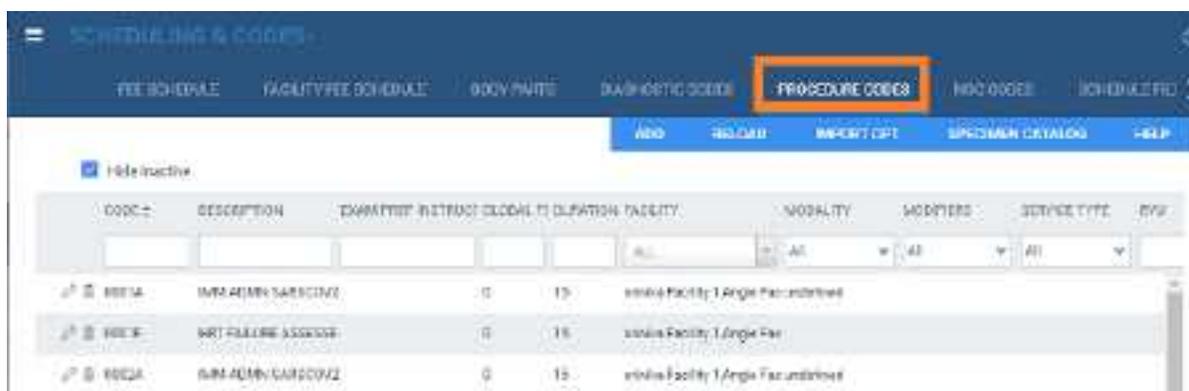
2. Select **SPECIMEN CATALOG**.

3. Select **Choose File**, browse for and select the file to import, and select **Open**.

4. Optional. To replace existing facilities, select the **Update Existing** checkbox.

5. Select **IMPORT**.

Import procedure codes

If you obtain exported procedure (CPT) codes, such as from the AMA or third-party billing companies, you can import them.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Scheduling & Codes** > **PROCEDURE CODES**.

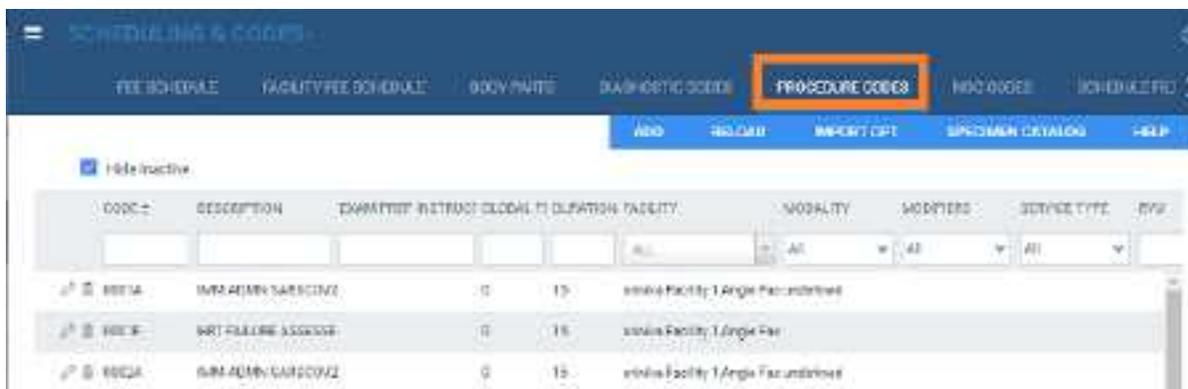2. Select **IMPORT CPT**.

3. Select **Choose File**, browse for and select the file to import, and select **Open**.

4. Optional. To replace existing facilities, select the **Update Existing** checkbox.

5. Select **IMPORT**.

Configure NDCs

You add an NDC (national drug code) for use elsewhere in the program. You add NDCs either manually or by importing them.

Add an NDC manually

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Scheduling & Codes** > **NDC CODES**.

2. Select **ADD**.

3. Enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Proprietary Name	Type the trade name, or the name of the drug chosen by the labeler.
Non Proprietary Name	Type the generic name or the active ingredient in the drug
NDC Package Code	Type the code from the manufacturer.
Package Description	Type the description of the package from the manufacturer.
Strength	Type the strength of the active ingredient, then select the units of strength in the UOM dropdown list.
Labeler Name	Type the name of company corresponding to the labeler code segment in the Product NDC.
Product NDC	Type the labeler code and product code segments of the NDC number, separated by a hyphen.
Route	Select the administration method for the drug.

4. Select **SAVE**.

Import NDCs

Hint: Select the Help button to view a list of the column names and their order.

1. Obtain a CSV file of NDCs that include the same options in the previous table.

2. On the **OFFICE** menu, select **Scheduling & Codes**.

3. On the **NDC CODES** tab, select **IMPORT.**

4. Select **Choose File**, browse for and select the CSV file, and then select **Open**.

5. Optional: To append (and not replace) the CSV file to existing NDCs, select the **Update Existing** checkbox.

6. Select **IMPORT**.

See also:

Configure procedure codes

Add charges and NDCs in the exam screen for technologists

Use the exam screen for technologists

About schedule blocks

You can reserve blocks of time on the schedule book for modality rooms at selected facilities, and you can select whether to be able to schedule exams during the block. Each block is given a *reason* (such as a specific patient's name), so that if scheduling is allowed, the scheduler knows what exams they can order during the block (such as ones needed by that specific patient). There are three types of schedule block:

Hard block: Cannot overlap with other blocks

Soft block: Can overlap with other blocks

Quick block: A schedule blocks that you can create "on the fly" directly from the schedule book

To create a schedule block, you create a schedule rule within a schedule template and select the "Display as a block on schedule book" option. See Configure a schedule template and schedule rules.

See also:

About schedule templates and schedule rules

Create a quick block

About schedule templates and schedule rules

A *schedule rule* determines when appointment types and modality rooms can be scheduled. Think of schedule rules as the "office hours" for exams. When working in the schedule book, Exa PACS/RIS prevents you from scheduling an exam that breaks any rule you configure, such as by hiding modality rooms on specified days, or by warning you with a message.

Inclusion and exclusion rules

- An *inclusion rule* defines when something is *available*
- An *exclusion rule* defines when something is *unavailable*

A *schedule template* is a container for a set of schedule rules. It also links to one or more appointment types and one or more modality rooms.

Schedule rules and the Find Slots feature

Find Slots uses schedule rules to determine the availability of timeslots in the following manner:

1. If **no rule** applies to a slot, the slot is always available.

2. If an **exclusion rule** applies to a slot, the slot is not available.

3. If an **inclusion rule** applies to a slot, regardless of time:

- All other slots are unavailable.
- A priority is set for the inclusion rules in the following order: Specific date, yearly, monthly, weekly, daily.

   For example:

- If a specific date and a daily inclusion rule apply, the specific date rule is applied and the daily rule is ignored.
- If two equal priority rules exist (such as two daily rules), they both apply (they "stack").
- Inclusion and exclusion rules can apply together, such as a weekly inclusion rule and a daily exclusion rule.

See also:

Configure a schedule template and schedule rules
Use the Find Slots feature

Configure a schedule template and schedule rules

To configure a schedule template:

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Scheduling & Codes** > **SCHEDULE TEMPLATE**.
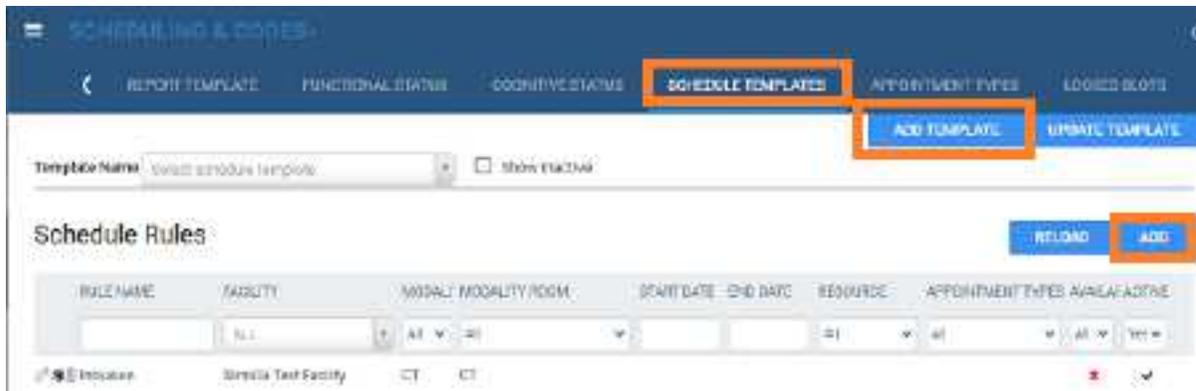
2. Select **ADD TEMPLATE**.

3. Type a name and description for the template and then select **SAVE**.

4. Under **Schedule Rules**, select **ADD**.

5. In the schedule rule screen, enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Template Name	Select the template to which to add the schedule rule.

Setting	Description
Rule Name	Select **Predefined** or **Free Text**, and then type or select a name for the schedule rule.
Modality Rooms Appointment Types Resource	Select a combination of these items along with dates and times to define the rule. For example, your rule could state that: "Resource A can perform appointment type B in modality room C." **Important**: If you do not select a modality room, the room applies to all facilities.
Type	Select **Repeating** if you want the schedule rule to recur, or **Date/Time** if not.
Not Available	Select **Not Available** to create an exclusion rule. Clear the checkbox to create an inclusion rule.
Display as a block on schedule book	Select if this rule defines a schedule block on the schedule book. Select the hexadecimal color code box, and then use the color picker to assign a color to the block.
Ignore rule in scheduling engine (use only for displaying text/color label)	This setting becomes available when you select **Display as a block on schedule book**. Select this **Ignore rule...** checkbox to display the block on the schedule book, without the program taking it into account when finding slots.
Autoblocking	If you select a technologist resource for the rule, and the technologist is available to work in two modality rooms at the same time, select **Autoblocking** to prevent double-booking that technologist.

6. Do one of the following

    - To save the current rule and add another rule, select **SAVE**.
    - Select **SAVE & CLOSE**.

Example of a schedule rule: Technologist lunch break

See also:

[About schedule templates and schedule rules](#)
[About schedule blocks](#)
[Create a quick block](#)

Configure a schedule filter

You can create a filter that controls what appears in the schedule book. For example, you could create a filter that only shows two modalities during a four-day period.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Scheduling & Codes** > **SCHEDULE FILTER**.

2. Select **ADD**.

3. Enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Filter Name	Type a name for the filter.
No. of Days	Type the number of days to display on a single page of the schedule book. If the content of the page exceeds the available display width, a scroll bar appears.
Locations	Select a facility in the dropdown list. The modality rooms at the selected facility appear in the Modality Rooms list.
Modality Rooms	Select one or more modalities in the list, and then select the right arrow ⟩ button to add them to the Selected Rooms list. These are the only modality rooms that will appear in the schedule book when you apply the filter.

4. Select **SAVE.**

Configure study statuses

Workflows in Exa PACS/RIS are status-driven. To create or tailor workflows, you can create a set of study statuses, and then configure how studies move from status to status (see Configure study flow). To add statuses:

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Scheduling & Codes** > **STUDY STATUS** > **STUDY STATUS**.
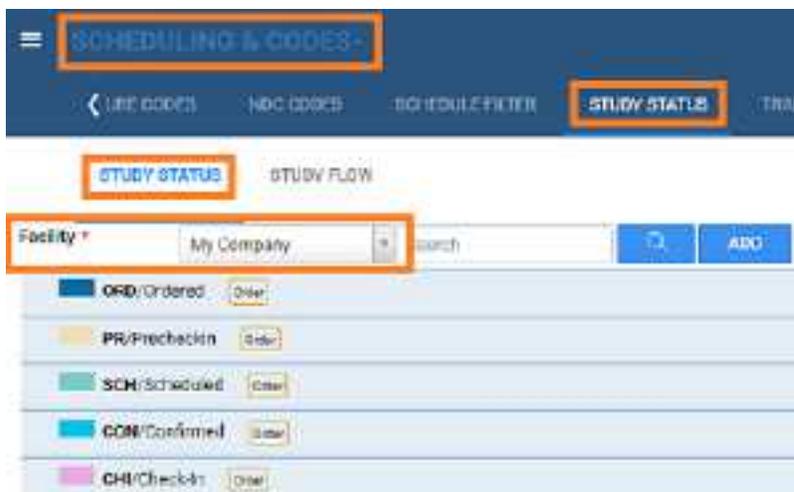
2. In the **Facility** dropdown list, select a facility, and then select **ADD**.
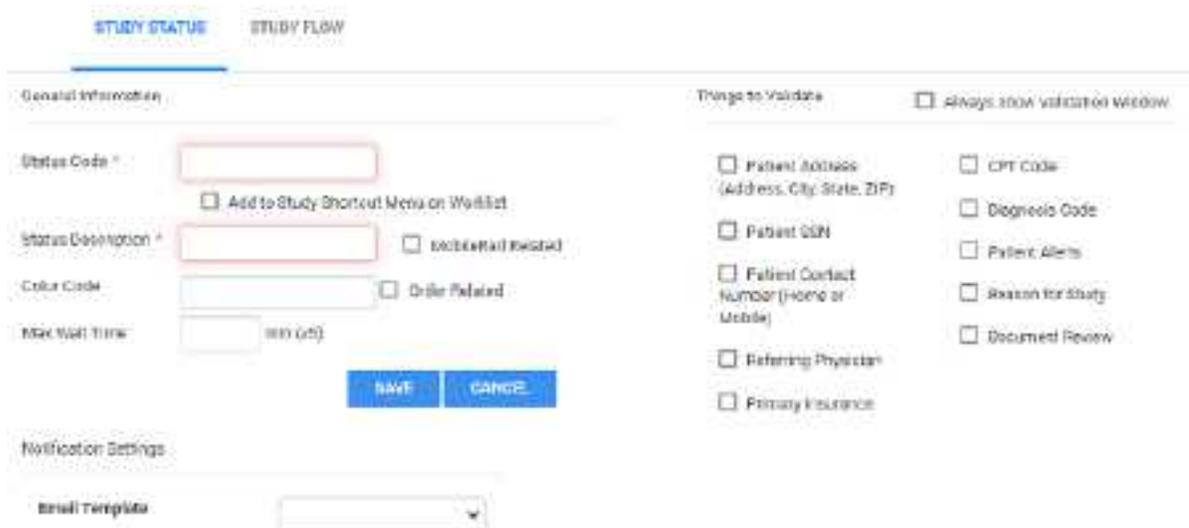
3. Enter the following settings.

Group	Setting	Description
General Information	Status Code	Type your internal code for the status.
	Add to Study Shortcut Menu on Worklist	Select to add the status to the study row shortcut menu on the worklist.
	Status Description	Type the name of the status.
	MobileRad Related	Select if the status is for Mobile RAD. For use with the Mobile RAD app.
	Color Code	Select in the box, and then select a color from the picker to color code the status.
	Order Related	Select if the status is related to orders only.

Group	Setting	Description
	Max Wait Time	Type the number of minutes to complete check-in. If the time is exceeded, the "Exceeds maximum time limit" count at the bottom of the worklist increments.
Things to Validate	Always Show Validation Window	Reserved for encounters.
	[Other checkboxes]	Select the items that Exa PACS/RIS validates (checks for inclusion) before moving the study to the next status.
	Document Review	Select to require document review to advance to the next status in the study flow. Select the documents for which to require review in the button list.
Notification Settings	Email/Fax Template	Select templates that determine whether and to whom notification is made when a study arrives at the status.

4. Select **SAVE.**

See also:

Require document review

Configure study flow

Exa PACS/RIS provides a graphical representation of the flow of studies from status to status at each facility. You can define these flows, and also apply routing rules to control whether data can move to the next status in the flow. The easiest way to define a new flow is to copy an existing one from another facility, if available.

Note: You do not need to apply routing rules for manual DICOM send operations.

CAUTION: Changing the study flow incorrectly can "orphan" studies, leaving them unable to move to the next status in the workflow.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Scheduling & Codes** > **STUDY STATUS** > **STUDY FLOW**.

2. In the **Facility** dropdown list, select a facility.
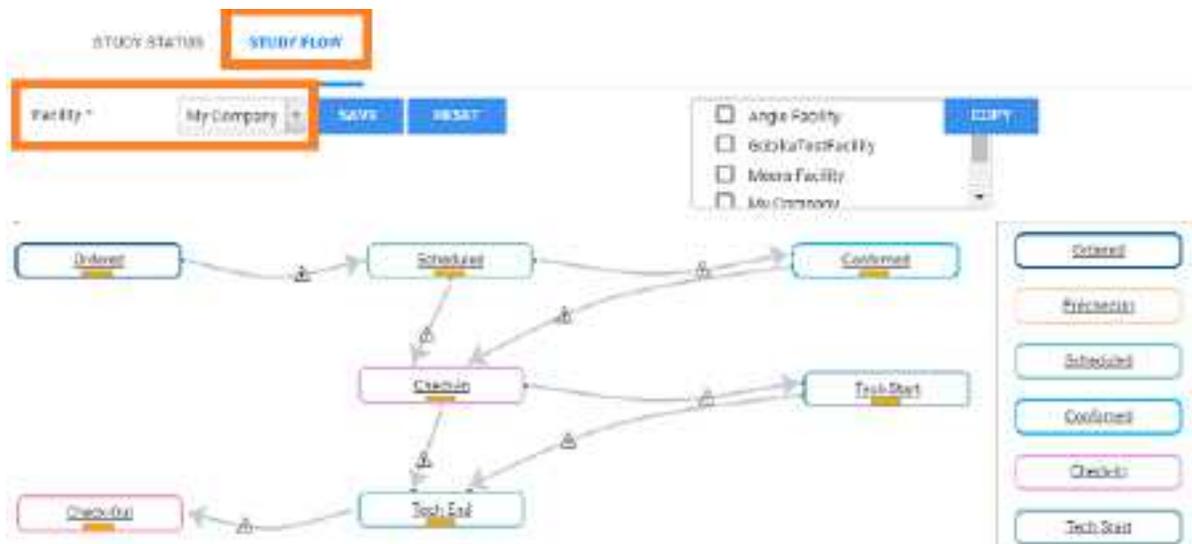
3. To modify the flow:

- Copy an existing flow to your new facility by select the source and destination facilities in the lists (see figure).
- Drag the orange bar in a status node to another status, and drag arrows.
- Add a routing rule between statuses by selecting the triangle on an arrow them, select a routing rule, and then select **OK**.

4. Select **SAVE.**

See also:

Configure study statuses

Add a transcription template

You can add a template for use during transcription. A *transcription template* is for formatting a transcription, whereas a *report template* is for final formatting of approved reports. To create a transcription template:

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Scheduling & Codes** > **TRANSCRIPTION TEMPLATE**.

2. Select **ADD.**
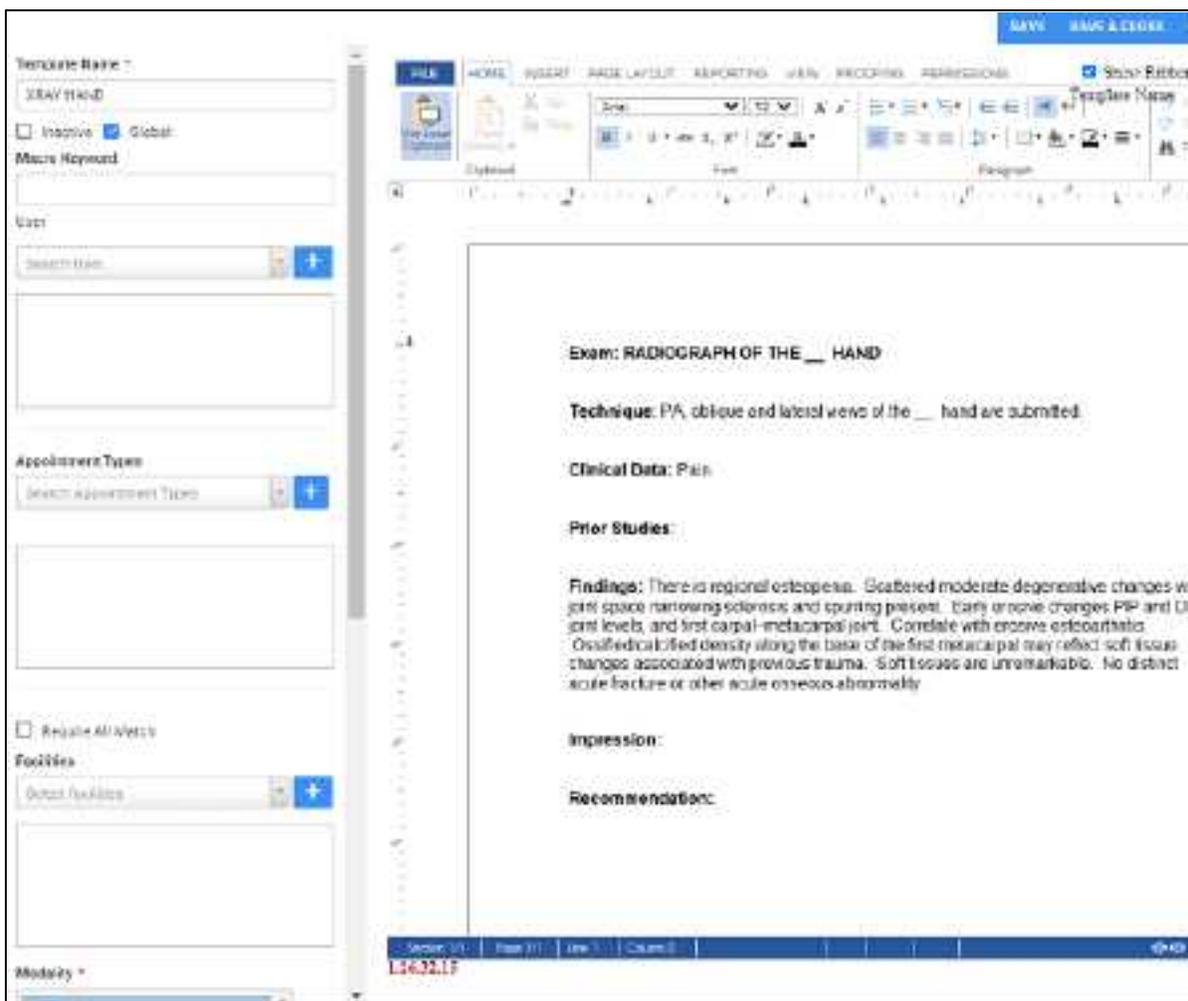
3. On the left pane, enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Template Name	Type a name for the template.

| Setting	Description
Global	Select to make the template available to all users.
Macro Keyword	Type a macro keyword that can be voice-recognized to open a template. Tip: Add a starter word in front of the keyword to make it easier to call up macros/templates. Example: macro chest
User	You can restrict availability of the template by assigning users to it. Select a user in the list and then select the plus button. You can assign the template to multiple users.
Appointment Types	Restricts availability of the template to studies of the selected CPT code.
Require All Match	Restricts availability of the template to users and studies who match all criteria entered in these settings.
Facilities	Select one or more facilities to which to assign the template.
Modality	Restricts availability of the template for use with one or more modalities.
Body Part	Restricts availability to the template for use with one or more body parts.
Study Description	Restricts availability of the template to studies with the entered study description.
Institution	Select one or more institution to which to assign the template.

4. Select **SAVE.**

5. In the template editor, type text and apply formatting for the template, and then select **SAVE**.

6. Optional. To paste items onto the template that you copied from outside Exa PACS/RIS, on the **HOME** tab, select **Paste**, and then in the button shortcut menu, select **Paste**.

7. To add merge fields, select **REPORTING** (1) > **Insert Merge Field** (2), and then select a **merge field** (3).
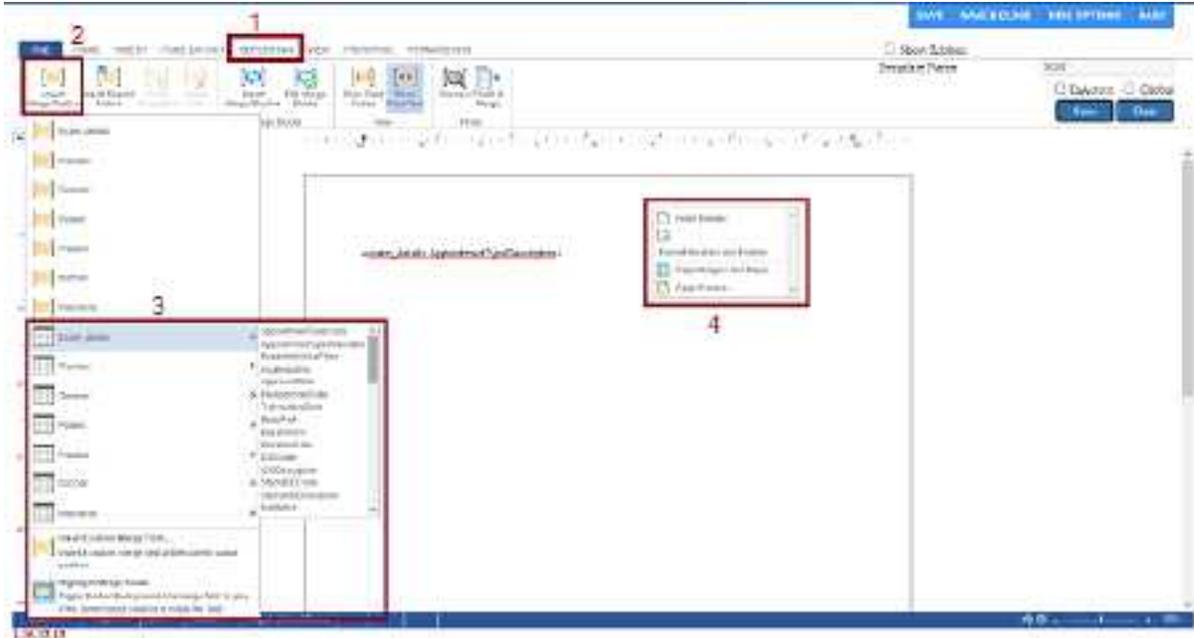
8. For formatting options (4), right-click in the body of the template.

9. When finished with your template, select **SAVE & CLOSE**.

Add a report template

A *report template* is for final formatting of approved reports, whereas a *transcription template* is for preparing transcriptions. You can create report templates and enhance them with logos, tables, and merge fields. When you prepare a report based on your template, Exa PACS/RIS substitutes merge fields with study and patient information.

Add a report template

Add a report template with the following steps, and then continue to the next procedure to edit the header or footer.

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Scheduling & Codes** > **REPORT TEMPLATE**.

2. Do one of the following.

- To base the new template on an existing one, select the copy ▣ button of the existing template.
- To edit an existing template, select its edit ✎ button.
- To start a new template from scratch, select **ADD**.
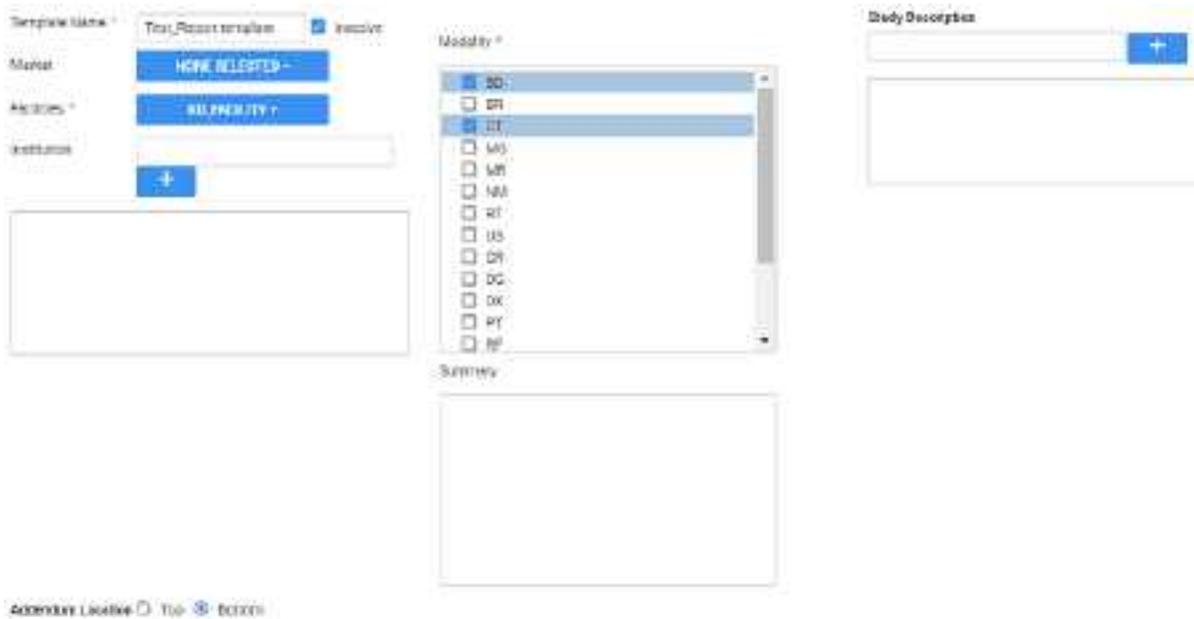
3. Enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Template Name	Type a name for the template.
Market	Optional. Select the market to associate with the template. All facilities in the selected market become selected in the Facilities dropdown list.
Facilities	Select all facilities that use the template.
Institution	Select institutions that use the template.
Modality	Select all modalities to which the template can apply.
Summary	Type explanatory information about the template.
Study Description	Type study descriptions for the templates to be applied. For example, US Abdomen could have a different template than MRI Abdomen.

4. Select **SAVE**.

5. Perform the steps in the following subsections as needed.

Add a header and footer

You can configure the header and footer of a report template, or edit existing ones.

1. At the bottom of the page, select the **PAGE HEADER/FOOTER** sub-tab.

   Result: The word processor appears (it may take a few moments).

2. On the **INSERT** tab, select **Header** or **Footer**, and then in the button shortcut menu, select **Edit Header** or **Edit Footer**.

3. Type information for the header or footer.

4. Select **SAVE.**

Add a table

While not required, it can be helpful to organize information on your header with a table.

1. On the **INSERT** tab, select **Table**, and then in the button menu:

   - Select a cell layout, or
   - Select **Insert Table** dialog, enter table settings and then select **OK**.

2. Type text in cells, and select **Save**.

3. See below to add logos and merge fields to the table.

Add a logo

1. Prepare a bitmap image and save it in the following:

   [drive]:/EXA/WebImages

2. Place the cursor in the header or footer where you want to place the logo.

   Note: It may be helpful to add carriage returns to make room for the logo.

3. On the **INSERT** tab, select **Image**, and then in the button shortcut menu, select **Image**.

4. In the **Open File** dialog, type the name of the bitmap image and then select **Open**.

5. In the image shortcut menu, select **Format**.

6. In the **Image Attributes** dialog, under Wrapping Style, select **In Line**, and then select **OK**.

7. Optional. On the **HOME** tab, select the text alignment tools, or drag the image to position it.

8. Select **Save**.

Add merge fields

1. Place the cursor in the header or footer where you want to add the merge field.

2. On the **REPORTING** tab, select **Insert Merge Field**.
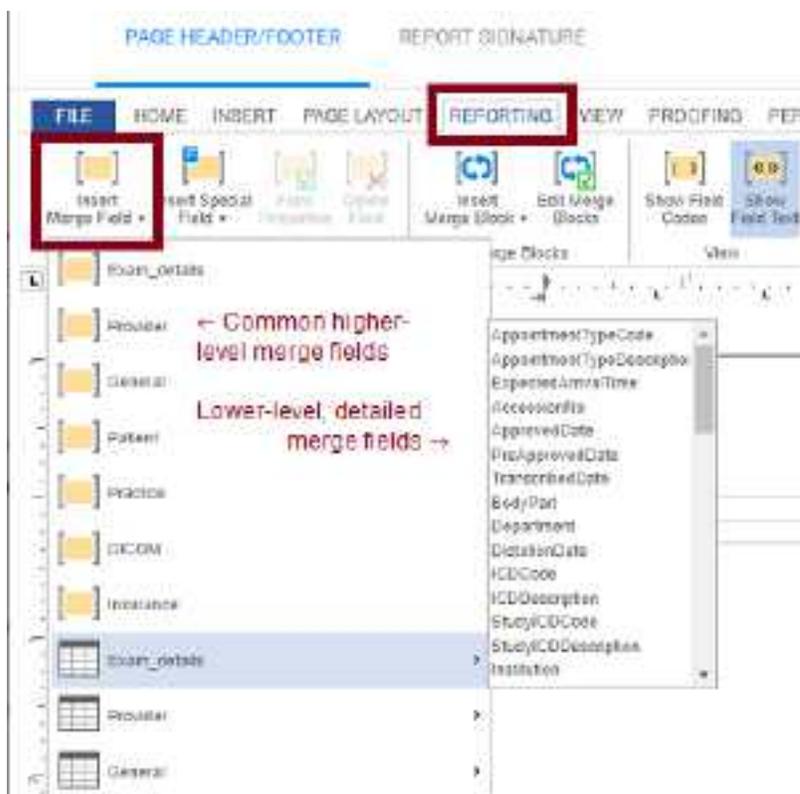
3. On the **Merge Field** button shortcut menu, select a merge field, or choose a field from one of the sub-menus.

4. Select **Save**.

Add a report signature line

1. Select the **REPORT SIGNATURE** sub-tab.

2. Type text and add merge fields as described earlier.

3. Select the **SAVE** buttons on the top and bottom of the screen.

Configure functional and cognitive statuses

Functional and cognitive statuses are preset descriptions of a patient's level of physical and mental functioning that can be used in other parts of the program.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Scheduling & Codes**.

2. On the **FUNCTIONAL STATUS** tab, in the **Description** box, type a functional status and then select **SAVE.**

3. On the **COGNITIVE STATUS** tab, in the **Description** box, type a cognitive status and then select **SAVE.**
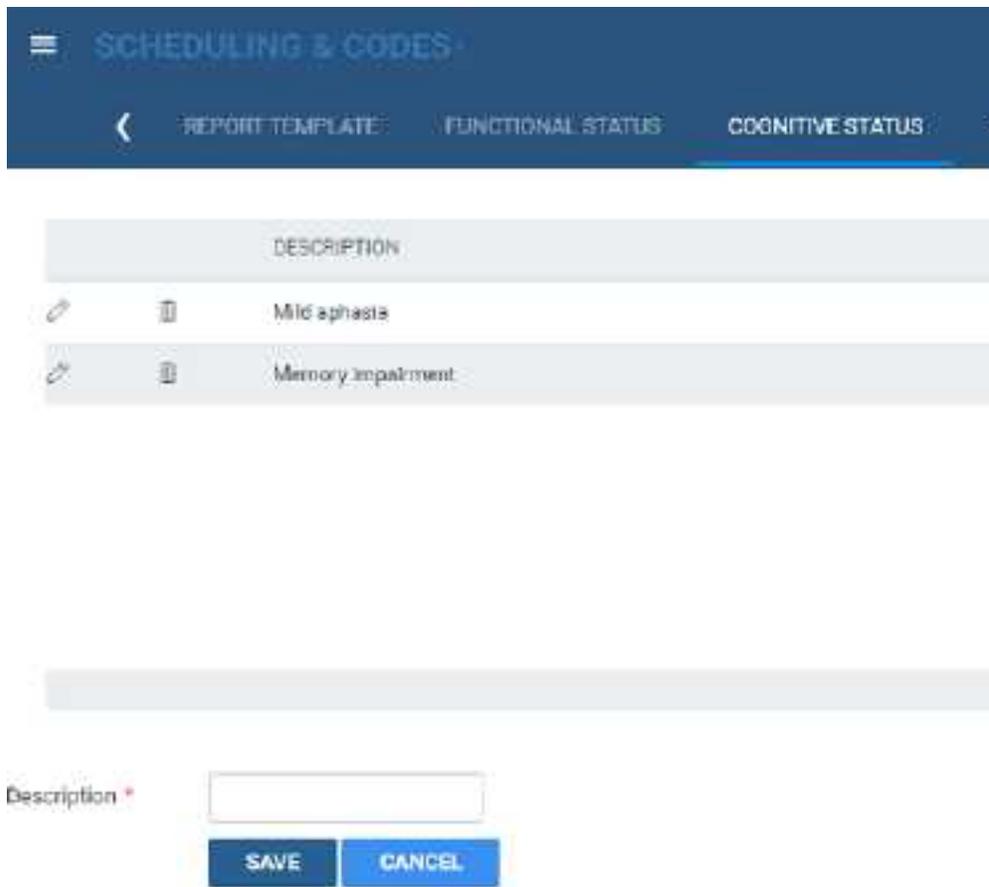
What are lead time and expected arrival time?

The *lead time* is the number of minutes prior to the appointment time that the scheduler wants the patient to arrive. The program calculates an expected patient arrival date and time (the *expected arrival time*) by subtracting the lead time from the appointment time. The scheduler may find it convenient to inform the patient of this expected arrival time rather than the formal start time of the appointment.

If an appointment contains multiple exams, the program calculates the expected arrival time based on the lead time of the first exam. If the first exam has no lead time, it uses that of the second exam, and so on. If no exams have lead times, the expected arrival time is simply the time of the first exam.

Configure appointment types

An appointment type defines a set of procedures to perform during an exam. You can configure appointment types for use in scheduling and other parts of the program.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Scheduling & Codes** > **APPOINTMENT TYPES**.
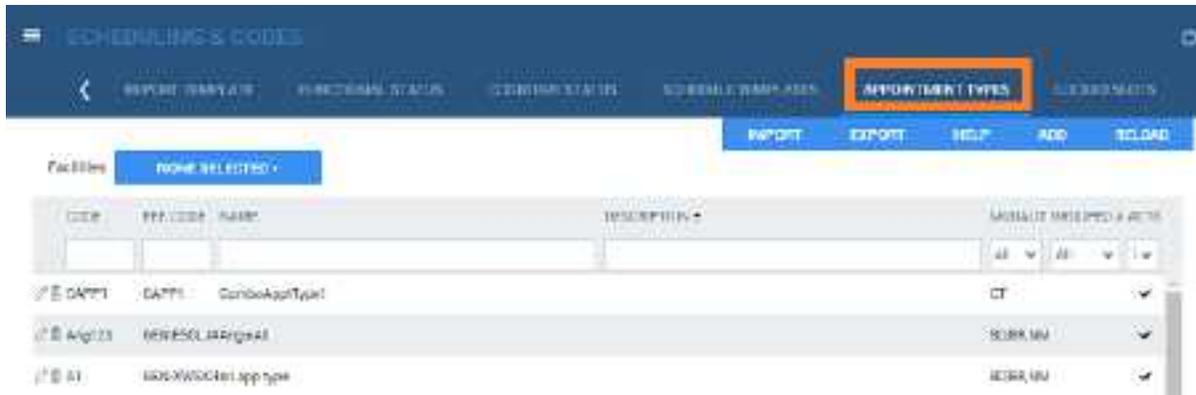
2. Select **ADD**.
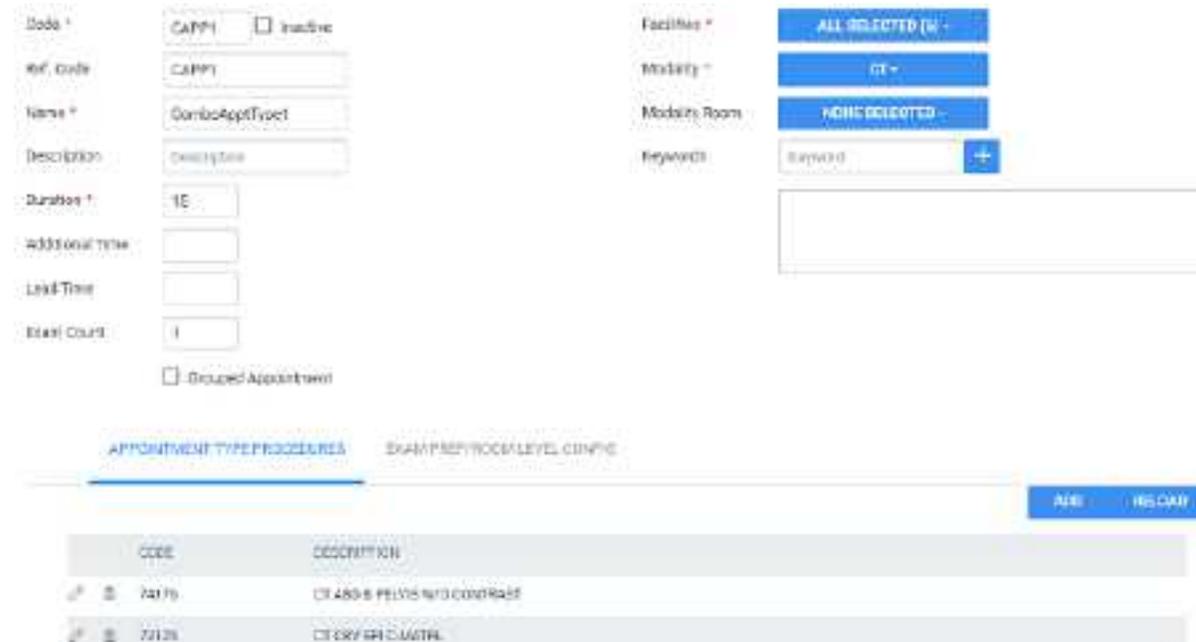
3. Enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Code	Type your internal code for the appointment type.
Ref. Code	Type the reference code.
Name	Type a name for the appointment type.
Description	Type a description for the appointment type.
Duration	Type the expected duration of the appointment type.
Additional Time	Type the number of additional time needed beyond the default duration.
Lead Time	Type the number of minutes to arrive before the exam begins.
Exam Count	Type the number of exams to be included.

Setting	Description
Grouped Appointment	Select for grouped appointments (see Configure grouped appointments).
Facilities	Select one or more facilities where the appointment type is available.
Modality	Select one or more modalities to use for the appointment type.
Modality Room	Select one or more modality rooms where the appointment type can be scheduled.
Keywords	To make the appointment type easier to find during scheduling, type a keyword and select the plus button. Add as many keywords as needed.

4. On the **APPOINTMENT TYPE PROCEDURES** sub-tab, select **ADD.**

5. In the **Appointment Procedure** dialog, select a procedure and any applicable modifiers, and then select **SAVE.**

6. On the **EXAM PREP/ROOM LEVEL CONFIG** sub-tab, add or edit exam prep instructions as needed.

7. Select **SAVE.**

See also:

Configure exam prep instructions
About procedure codes, appointment types, and appointment type procedures

Configure exam prep instructions

For each appointment type you can assign exam and room preparation instructions. The instructions are linked to modality rooms so that if an exam is rescheduled to a different room, the instructions change accordingly. To configure exam prep instructions, start by following the procedure in Configure appointment types and then:

Procedure

1. On the **EXAM PREP/ROOM LEVEL CONFIG** sub-tab, select **ADD**.

2. and then enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Modality Room	Select the modality room to which to apply the prep instructions.
Duration	Type the estimated duration of the exam.
Additional Time	Type the number of additional time needed beyond the default duration.
Lead Time	Type the number of minutes to arrive before the exam begins.
Prep Instructions	Type the exam and room preparation instructions.

3. Select **SAVE**.

Configure grouped appointments

A *grouped appointment* is an appointment type that contains more than one billable procedure. Grouped appointments make it easy to schedule more than one procedure or exam during a single patient appointment. To configure a grouped appointment:

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Scheduling & Codes** > **APPOINTMENT TYPES**.

2. Select **ADD**.

3. Select the **Grouped Appointments** checkbox.

4. Enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Code	Type a unique code for the grouped appointment. The code does not need to match an existing procedure code.
Ref. Code	Type the reference code, if any.
Name	Type a name for the grouped appointment type.
Description	Type a description for the appointment type (it can be the same as the name).
Lead Time	(Will be determined automatically)
Exam Count	Type the number of procedures to be included.
Grouped Appointment	(Already selected).
Facilities	Select one or more facilities where the appointment type is available.
Keywords	To make the appointment type easier to find during scheduling, type a keyword and then select the plus button. Add as many keywords as needed.

5. Select **SAVE**, and then in the message box, select **YES**.

6. In the **Appointment Types** dialog, select an appointment type to add to the grouped appointment.

7. Optional. In the **Minutes to wait after exam** box, type the expected minutes the patient must wait between appointment types.

8. Select **SAVE**, and then in the message box, select **YES**.

9. Repeat steps above until all appointment types are added to the grouped appointment.

   IMPORTANT: Add the appointment types in the order that they are performed, or in the correct scheduling priority.

10. On the **APPOINTMENT TYPES** tab, select **SAVE**.

View locked slots

Exa PACS/RIS "locks" timeslots as soon as a scheduler selects them. The prevents other schedulers from simultaneously double-booking in the same slot. You can view which slots are currently locked with the following steps.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Scheduling & Codes** > **LOCKED SLOTS**.

Configure DICOM settings

You can configure DICOM settings such as by configuring AEs, setting up file stores, and defining receiver and routing rules.

Note: The default AE title for Exa PACS/RIS is EXA_SCP, or EXA_MWL when acting as a worklist source. These titles are configured elsewhere in the program by a Konica Minolta installation engineer.

Configure application entities

In Exa PACS/RIS an *application entity* (AE) *title* is a named configuration for a DICOM application that includes information such as its type, host computer, and port number. You must set up AE titles for Modality Worklist, send, receive/store, print, query/retrieve, and other functions to make them available on Exa PACS/RIS. To configure an AE, use the following procedure.

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Failure to correctly configure application entities can cause general failure of DICOM communication between Exa PACS/RIS and those entities.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **DICOM** > **AE TITLE**.

2. Select **ADD.**

3. Enter the following settings, and then select **SAVE.**

   Note: Depending on the AE type, not all of the following settings are available.

Setting	Description
AE Type	Select one or more transactions that Exa PACS/RIS makes with the AE.
AE Title (Remote)	Type a title for the AE of up to 16 characters. If an AE title is pre-configured on the device hosting the AE, use the same title.
Ignore Scan Docs (Send)	Select to prevent sending of scanned documents to the AE (only DICOM studies are sent).
My AE Title	Type a title of up to 16 characters to set the identity of Exa PACS/RIS individually for each DICOM node. In most cases, leave blank to use the default (EXA_SCP for PACS/RIS functions, and EXA_MWL for modality worklist functions).
Host Name	Type the host name or IP address of the AE.

Setting	Description
Description	Type a description for easy identification of the AE.
Disable QC2LIVE	Select to disable the automatic transfer of studies from QC to live.
Retries	Type the number of times the system attempts to reconnect with the AE after a communication failure.
Send Single Instance per Study	Select to send one image per study.
Max Concurrent	Type the maximum number of concurrent threads that the system can use for the transaction.
Receive Facility	Select a facility to receive studies sent to the AE.
Send Facilities	If you select facilities here, only users assigned to those facilities can select them for DICOM-sending (leave blank for all facilities and users).
Ignore Inbound Stat Value	Select to keep the Stat level of the study from Exa PACS/RIS. Clear to use the Stat level of the study as received.
Send Annotations as	Select how to process annotations for sending. Burned in: "Flattens" the image and overlay into a single image. DICOM Overlay: Converts the annotations to a DICOM overlay and sends along with the study. GSPS/PR Object: Converts the annotations to a presentation state and sends along with the study.
Send Unique Image UID from Viewer	Select to generate a new UID for each image (rather than just for the series or study).
DMWL Modalities	Select to which modalities to serve a modality worklist.
DMWL Facilities	Select to which facility to serve a modality worklist.
Issuer Type	Select the type of issuer of PID: None - DICOM receive and query/retrieve takes place as if no issuer was configured. Static - Select an entity from the list (see "Issuer" below). Dynamic - Automatically define the issuer based on retrieved results, and allow multiple issuer/alternate ID combinations.
Issuer	When you select an issuer type of Static, select the entity that issues the patient's PID, MRN, or account number. This makes available tracking and correct assignment of account numbers for sending and receiving studies when more than one are available.
AE Flag	Select one of the following services to use to send studies. DICOM: C-MOVE DICOM SSL: C-MOVE, secured HL7: Standard HL7 protocols. OPAL: The Opal Transfer service.
Institution	Type the name of the institution for easier identification.

Setting	Description
File Store	Select a file store for storing received data.
Port	Type the port number through which the AE can connect to Exa PACS/RIS (the Exa PACS/RIS listening port).
Require SSL	Select this checkbox if: 1) you selected the DICOM SSL AE flag; and 2) the port number requires an SSL certificate.
Transfer Syntax (Send)	Select the transfer syntax for sending.
Transfer Syntax (Receive)	Select the transfer syntax for storing and receiving.
Vehicle	Select vehicles to which to assign received studies.
SDE Modality	Select if the AE is a dedicated echo ultrasound.
Include Approved Reports	Select to include approved reports when sending as DICOM. Note: When DICOM-sending, the report status (such as Approved or Transcribed) is not included. To include the status, send via Opal.

See also:

Configure a DICOM printer

Configure a DICOM printer

Configure and save AE with AE type of "Print," and then perform the procedure below. For each printer you can save multiple configurations for different print media and other settings. At print time, you can select the configuration you need.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **DICOM** > **AE TITLE**.

2. Configure a print AE, and then under **Extra Printer Options**, enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
ARTIM Timeout	Type the number of minutes to wait for an acceptance or rejection response to an association request before timing out.

Setting	Description
Read Timeout	Type the number of minutes the printer waits to receive data before timing out.
Write Timeout	Type the number of minutes the printer waits to send data before timing out.
Max PDU Length	Type the maximum number of bytes of a protocol data unit that the printer can receive.
Border Margins	[Unused]
True Size	[Unused]

3. Select **ADD CONFIGURATION**.

4. Enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Name	Type a name for the printer.
Medium	Select the printer medium.
Film Size	Select the film size for the printer.
Border Density	Select a border density of Black or White.
Memory Allocation (KB)	For most printers, accept the default of Auto. Otherwise, type the amount of memory in kilobytes to allocate for a print session.
Film Destination	Select the destination for exposed film.
Film Orientation	Select the orientation of the film.
Magnification	Select a magnification factor for printing images.
Empty Density	Select the density of the image box area on the film that contains no image.

5. Select **SAVE**.

Configure a file store

File stores are directories on servers that Exa PACS/RIS uses to store files received in a DICOM transaction, such as images from a modality.

CAUTION: Changing an existing file store can prevent the study from opening.

Procedure

1. Go to <u>SETUP</u> > <u>OFFICE</u> > **DICOM** > **FILE STORE**.

2. Select **ADD.**

3. Type the server name, root directory, and notes, and then select **SAVE.**

Configure routing rules

With routing rules, you can define how certain types of data flow between Exa PACS/RIS and other AEs. For example, you could create a routing rule that tells Exa PACS/RIS to automatically send all data that it receives from ultrasound modalities to another PACS. You can also add criteria to your rule for more precise control. For example, your rule could limit sending of ultrasound data from only a specific facility.

Use the following procedure to configure a routing rule, and then apply the rule by following the steps in "Configure study flow." It is not necessary to apply routing rules for manual DICOM send operations.

Procedure

1. Go to <u>SETUP</u> > <u>OFFICE</u> > **DICOM** > **ROUTING RULES**.

2. Select **ADD.**

3. Enter the following settings. The available settings change depending on the AE type that you select in the Type dropdown list.

Setting	Type	Description
Rule Name	All	Type a name for the rule.
Type	All	Select the transaction to perform with the AE (for example, SEND).
Interface/Trigger Name	HL7 Send	Select an interface and/or trigger for HL7 send actions.
AE Title	SEND PRINT QUERY/RETRIEVE Send Report (Opal) LOCAL_CACHE	Select the AE with which to perform the transaction (for example, select Remote_Hospital to send to that AE).
Priority	SEND PRINT QUERY/RETRIEVE Send Report (Opal)	Type a number to indicate which rules to evaluate first. Lower numbers take higher priority. Refer to your current list of rules on the ROUTING RULES tab to determine the priority to use for the rule you are adding.

Setting	Type	Description
	HL7 Send LOCAL_CACHE	
Attempts	SEND PRINT QUERY/RETRIEVE Send Report (Opal) HL7 Send LOCAL_CACHE	Type the number of attempts the program should make to apply the rule.
Priors	QUERY/RETRIEVE	Type the number of priors to retrieve. Type 0 (zero) to retrieve instances for the current study only.
Modality	QUERY/RETRIEVE	Select an option to filter which priors to retrieve.
Prior Options		
Number of Priors to Send	SEND LOCAL_CACHE	Type the number of priors to send along with the study.
Auto Send Priors	SEND LOCAL_CACHE	Select to send any priors found in the system along with the current study. • The system sends as many priors as it can find, up to the **Number of Priors to Send**. • The system sends the most recent priors first.
Relevant Priors	SEND LOCAL_CACHE	Select to send relevant priors when auto-sending, along with any non-relevant priors that the system found. Enter criteria to define what is relevant. • If you do not define relevant priors (see "Define relevant priors" later in this topic), the system considers relevant priors to be studies of the same modality and/or body part. • The system sends as many relevant priors as it can find, up to the **Numbers of Priors to Send**. • If the system finds fewer relevant priors than the **Number of Priors to Send**, it adds non-relevant priors up to the number.
Force Relevant Only	SEND LOCAL_CACHE	Select to send only relevant priors. • If the system finds fewer relevant priors than the **Number of Priors to Send**, it does not send any additional priors.
[Define relevant priors]	SEND LOCAL_CACHE	Available when you select **Relevant Priors**. See "Define relevant priors" later in this topic.

4. Optional. Configure a criterion for the rule:

a. In the **Field** dropdown list, select an argument and a logical operator.

For example, *Modality* and *Is*

b. Select a matching value for the argument.

For example, in the *Modality* list, select *MG*.

c. Select **ADD TO RULES.**

Result: In this example, when Exa PACS/RIS receives an MG study, it automatically sends it to the AE named Remote_Hospital.

6. Optional. Add more criteria.

7. Select **SAVE.**

Auto Query/Retrieve: use study's accession number

To facilitate Auto QR of studies from external sources such as the AHS, configure a query-retrieve routing rule with a placeholder to match the study's accession number rather than the study instance UID (SUID) in Exa PACS/RIS. This rule only applies if the Priors count is 0. Create the routing rule as follows:

1. In the **TYPE** dropdown list, select **QUERY/RETRIEVE**.

2. In the **Priors** box, type `0` (zero).

3. In the **Field** dropdown list, select **Accession #**, and select the **Is** option.

4. In the criterion box, type `{{accession_no}}`.

5. Select **SAVE**.

Define relevant priors

Defining relevant priors allows you to send only priors that are relevant to the current study based on study description, modality, or body part. To write definitions for which priors are relevant you use a syntax called *relevant prior logic:*

```
STRING or (STRING|STRING|...){.*(STRING|STRING|...)}
```

"A single string, or multiple strings delimited with a bar, optionally followed by ".*" plus multiple strings delimited with a bar."

Enter your relevant prior logic in a table, such as in this example:

Prior settings on the left...   **...main study settings on the right**

Prior Modality	Prior Body Part	Prior Description	Main Study Modality	Main Study Body Part	Main Study Description		
CT			MR			✎	🗑
	(KNEE|PATELLA)			KNEE		✎	🗑
		(HEEL|CALC).*(LEFT|LT|BI)			(HEEL|CALC).*(LEFT|LT|BI)	✎	🗑
▼			▼				SET

Row 1: Does not require relevant prior logic. When the main study is an **MR**, relevant priors are **CT**s.

Row 2: When the main study is of the **knee**, relevant priors are either of the **knee** or **patella**.

Row 3: When the main study description contains "**HEEL**" or "**CALC**" followed by "**LEFT**," or "**LT**," or "**BI**," relevant priors are those whose descriptions also contain "**HEEL**" or "**CALC**" followed by "**LEFT**," or "**LT**," or "**BI**."

Note: You can also define relevant priors that you want to auto-open in the viewer (see Configure modality-specific viewing options).

Configure AE scripts

You can write scripts that modify DICOM tags when carrying out a DICOM-related transaction such as sending, printing, or receiving.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **DICOM** > **AE SCRIPTS**.

2. Select **ADD.**
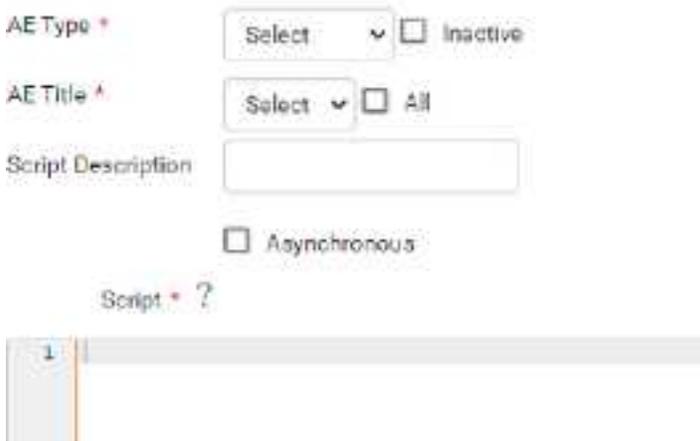
3. Enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
AE Type AE Title	Select a transaction and node. The script runs when Exa makes the selected transaction with the selected node.
All	Select all AEs of the selected AE Type.
Script Description	Type a description of the script.
Asynchronous	Select to run the script asynchronously.

4. In the **Script** area, type the script to run when the previous conditions are true.

   Note: For syntax, select the help ? button.

5. Select **COMPILE**, and correct any errors that occur.

6. When the script is free of errors, select **SAVE.**

Understanding receiver rules

A *receiver rule* is a detailed set of criteria and instructions that tells Exa PACS/RIS where to place studies that it receives, and what status to assign them. For example, you can configure a receiver rule such that studies with unrecognized account numbers are placed on the QC tab to await reconciliation by the user before going live.

> **Note**: Receiver rules also have an important role in accelerating the processing of incoming data. Exa PACS/RIS processes each receiver rule in order on a particular computer. Therefore, to improve speed, you can apply different rules on different computers.

To understand how receiver rules are evaluated and applied, it is helpful to imagine a 4-step process that Exa PACS/RIS performs for each incoming study.

- Find a receiver rule that matches the study.
- Validate the study against existing PACS studies and/or match it to existing RIS orders.
- Process the successes (studies that passed validation and/or matched orders).
- Process the failures (studies that failed validation or did not match an order).

A detailed explanation of each of these steps follows.

Step 1 – Find a matching receiver rule

When Exa PACS/RIS receives a DICOM study, it evaluates the study against each receiver rule on the RECEIVER RULES tab in order of "Priority" (starting from the top) until it finds one that matches.

From top...   **...to bottom**

If no user-defined rule matches, Exa PACS/RIS uses a "default" rule that has a minimum number of criteria to ensure that all legitimate studies match at least one rule. (If a study did not match any rule, Exa PACS/RIS would not receive it.)

To evaluate whether a study matches a rule, Exa PACS/RIS compares the settings you enter under **Rule Info and Filter** (in the green box in the following figure) to the information in the study. If all relevant criteria match, the rule becomes active, and the process continues to step 2.

Step 2 – Validate and match against PACS and/or RIS

A "rule" is actually not a single rule, but rather a combination of the previous "Rule Info and Filter," plus one of four possible preset "Applied Rules," such as in the following figure.

Figure: Applied rules in the PACS ONLY preset.

Exa PACS/RIS compares the items in the green boxes from the incoming study against PACS, RIS, or both, depending on the reconciliation mode (the first bullet item in the figure). The items under Patient (such as "Last name" in the figure) and Study ("Study UID") must match a patient in PACS and/or a RIS order. Exa PACS/RIS stores the result of the match (success or failure) in this step, and then evaluation continues to step 3 or 4.

Step 3 – Process successes

If matching succeeded, Exa PACS/RIS waits the number of seconds specified in the **Interval** setting from step 1, moves the study from the QC tab to the ALL STUDIES tab (the study "goes live"), and assigns to the study the status selected in the **Status** dropdown list from step 1. At the same time, it performs the actions and applies the options in the blue box in the following figure.

Applied Rules

- Reconciliation Mode: Pacs only site
- Emit Live Update
- Precache Study
- Precache Priors
- No. of. priors: **3**
- Pick study description from DICOM
- Patient
  - Account #/Dicom Patient ID
  - Last name
  - Date of Birth
  - Move Anyway (Even in exception)
  - Move to live when there is no-match
- Study
  - Study UID
  - Move to live when there is no-match

Step 4 – Process failures

If matching failed, the study initially remains on the QC tab with a status of *Conflicts* to await reconciliation by the user. However, there is one more set of evaluations left to make, based on the items in the orange boxes in the following figure.

Applied Rules

- Reconciliation Mode: Pacs only site
- Emit Live Update
- Precache Study
- Precache Priors
- No. of. priors: **3**
- Pick study description from DICOM
- Patient
    - Account #/Dicom Patient ID
    - Last name
    - Date of Birth
    - Move Anyway (Even in exception)
    - Move to live when there is no-match
- Study
    - Study UID
    - Move to live when there is no-match

If any of these items are present, the study status is set to Completed in the QC tab. Additionally, each item results in the following.

Move Anyway (Even in exception)

If duplicate matching demographics are found, or if at least one matching criterion fails, the study also appears on the ALL STUDIES tab with a status of "FIX_."

Patient: Move to live when there is no-match

The study moves to the ALL STUDIES tab even if patient demographic validation fails. Generally, this is used only when no modality worklist is available.

Study: Move to live when there is no-match

The study moves to the ALL STUDIES tab, even if no matching order is found.

Note: If "Move to live when there is no-match" is present both under Patient and Study, Exa PACS/RIS processes the study as a success.

See also:

Configure a receiver rule

Configure a receiver rule

You can configure receiver rules to tell Exa PACS/RIS where to place studies that it receives, and what status to assign to them. For more information, see Understanding receiver rules.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **DICOM** > **RECEIVER RULES**.

2. Select **ADD.**
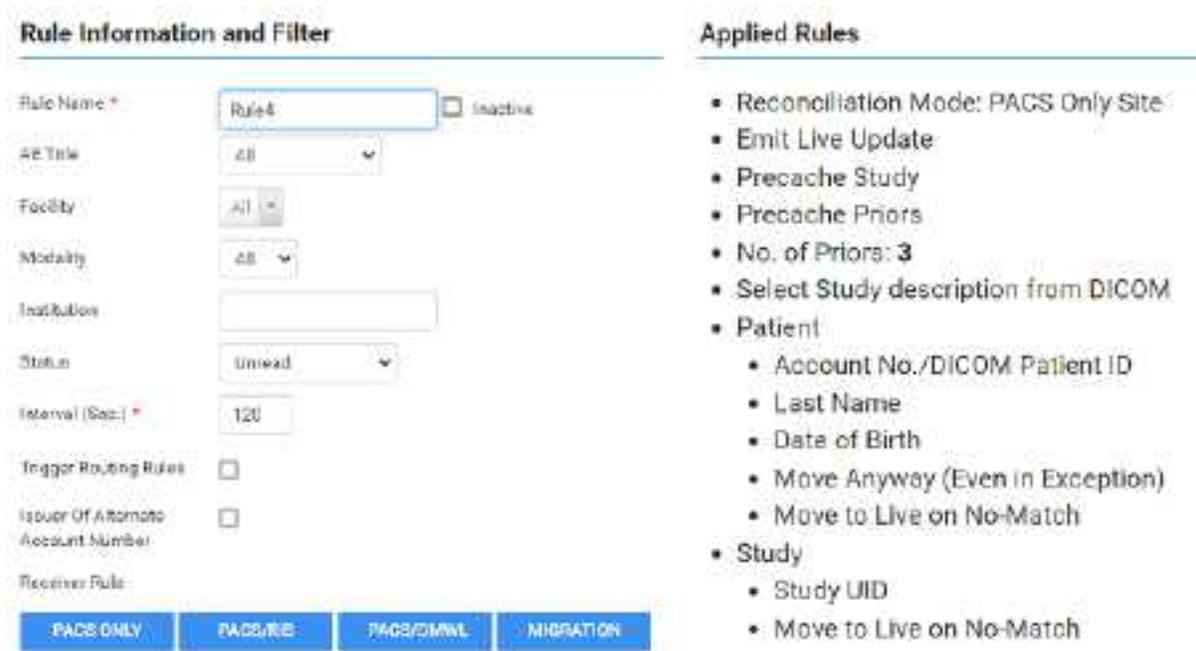
Example showing the PACS ONLY rules

3. On the **RULES** tab, select **ADD.**

4. Under **Rule Information and Filter**, enter the following settings as needed.

Setting	Description
Rule Name	Type a name for the rule.
AE Title	Use these settings as filtering criteria. For example, to evaluate the rule only against mammography studies, on the Modality dropdown list, select MG. To evaluate the rule only if the study comes from a specific AE, select one under AE Title.
Facility	
Modality	
Institution	
Status	Select the status to assign the study if it matches the rule.

Setting	Description
Interval	Select a number of seconds to wait before moving the study from the QC tab to the ALL STUDIES tab (go live).
Trigger Routing Rules	Select to force evaluation of matching studies against routing rules.
Issuer of Alternate Account Number	Select to make alternate account numbers available. See Use alternate account numbers.

5. Select one of the following preset buttons to assign a reconciliation mode and to add "applied rules" (matching criteria and actions to perform) to your receiver rule.

Preset Button	Reconciliation Mode	Description
PACS ONLY	PACS	Validate patient and study items against existing PACS records.
PACS/RIS	PACS + RIS	Validate patient and study items against existing PACS records and/or RIS orders.
PACS/DMWL	PACS + RIS	--same--
MIGRATION	PACS	Use when migrating data from another PACS. Allows everything to be received.

6. Select **SAVE.**

See also:

Understanding receiver rules

Configure matching rules

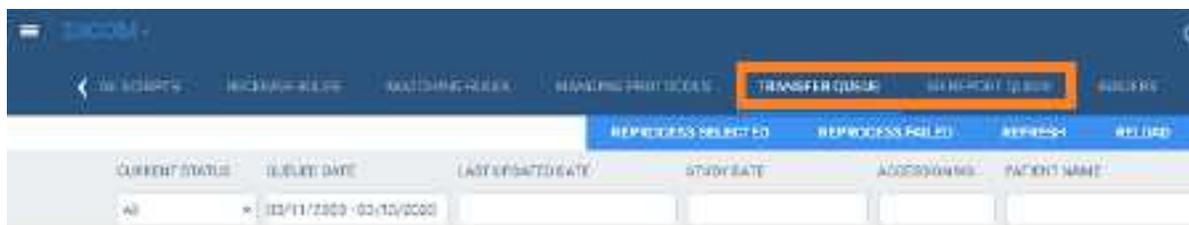See Work with Display Management.

Configure hanging protocols

See Work with Display Management.

Manage jobs in the transfer and SR queues

DICOM studies that you send appear as jobs in the transfer queue. You can view and change job status and priority, cancel jobs, and requeue failed jobs.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **DICOM** > **TRANSFER QUEUE** or **SR QUEUE**.

2. Perform any of the following tasks.

View job status

In the list of jobs, the status is listed in the CURRENT STATUS column. The available statuses are as follows.

Queued	Processing not yet started.
In-progress	Sending of data has started but not finished.
Completed	Sending of all data is finished.
Canceled	Sending of data canceled by the user. You can only cancel a job with a status of Queued.
Error	Sending was aborted due to failed association or the request was rejected by the destination.

View demographics

To view the demographics of a study in the transfer queue, select the expand ✚ button.

Change the job priority

To change the priority of a job, select the ✎ edit button, select a new priority, and then select **SAVE.**

View job details

To view demographics and other queue details, select the view ▣ button.

Cancel a job

To cancel a job, select the cancel ⊘ button.

Requeue a job

To *requeue* a job means to repeat or retry sending. If the status of a job is Queued, Error, Completed, or Cancelled, you can requeue the job by selecting the requeue ▣ button. Requeued jobs remain in the transfer queue for 15 minutes before reprocessing begins.

Reprocess non-failed jobs

Rather than requeuing jobs one at a time, you can select multiple jobs for reprocessing, and then select REPROCESS SELECTED.

Reprocess failed jobs

Failed jobs are ones with a status of "Error." You can select a range of failed jobs (such as by filtering the worklist) and reprocess them all at once.

1. On the transfer queue, select **REPROCESS FAILED**.

2. In the date boxes, enter a date range of jobs to reprocess.

   Note: To select all dates, leave the boxes blank.

3. In the **AE Title** dropdown list, select the AE whose jobs you want to reprocess.

4. Select **REPROCESS**.

Reprint DICOM Print jobs

1. On the transfer queue, find a job with type **PRINT** and status **Completed**.

2. Right-click the job, and select **REPRINT**.

Cancel a DICOM Print job

1. On the transfer queue, find a job with type **PRINT** and status **Queued**.

2. Right-click the job, and select **Cancel**.

Configure an issuer of a PID

See Use alternate account numbers.

Automatically retrieve priors from an external PACS

When a patient is referred from another facility, it can be efficient to automatically retrieve priors from the referrer's PACS that are not already present in Exa PACS/RIS, and to control the timing of that retrieval. That is, you can configure Exa PACS/RIS to retrieve priors when it becomes likely that the exam will take place (such as when confirmed by the patient), but not so close to exam time (such as upon check-in) that waiting to fetch priors could delay reading. To set up automatic retrieval, follow this example in which we configure Exa PACS/RIS to retrieve priors when the study changes from Scheduled to Confirmed status.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **DICOM** > **AE TITLE**.

2. Select **ADD**, and configure a query/retrieve AE.

3. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **DICOM** > **ROUTING RULES**.

4. Configure a routing rule with the following settings.

Setting	Description
Rule Name	Q/R Old PACS
Type	QUERY/RETRIEVE
AE Title	Select the query/retrieve AE you configured earlier.
Priority	1
Attempts	10
Priors	10
Modality	Modality of Current Study
Summary - Field	Patient Identifier
Account Number	Select to query the external PACS by the patient's account number, alternate account number, or alternate account number via issuer.
Issuer	Select the issuer.
Name	Select Yes to include the patient's name in the query.
DOB	Select Yes to include the patient's date of birth in the query (in YYYY-MM-DD formatting).

5. Configure a study flow from Scheduled to Confirmed status using the previous routing rule.

See also:

Configure application entities

Configure routing rules

Configure study flow

Configure billing

Exa Billing uses patient and insurance information that you entered in other Exa PACS/RIS modules, but you must also enter other information directly into Exa Billing such as codes, statuses, templates, providers, and validation rules.

Configure columns on the Studies and Claims screens

You can show, hide, and reorder columns on the Studies and Claims screens. You can also configure how the studies and claims lists are sorted by selecting default columns and their default sort orders.

Procedure

1. Go to BILLING > settings ⚙.
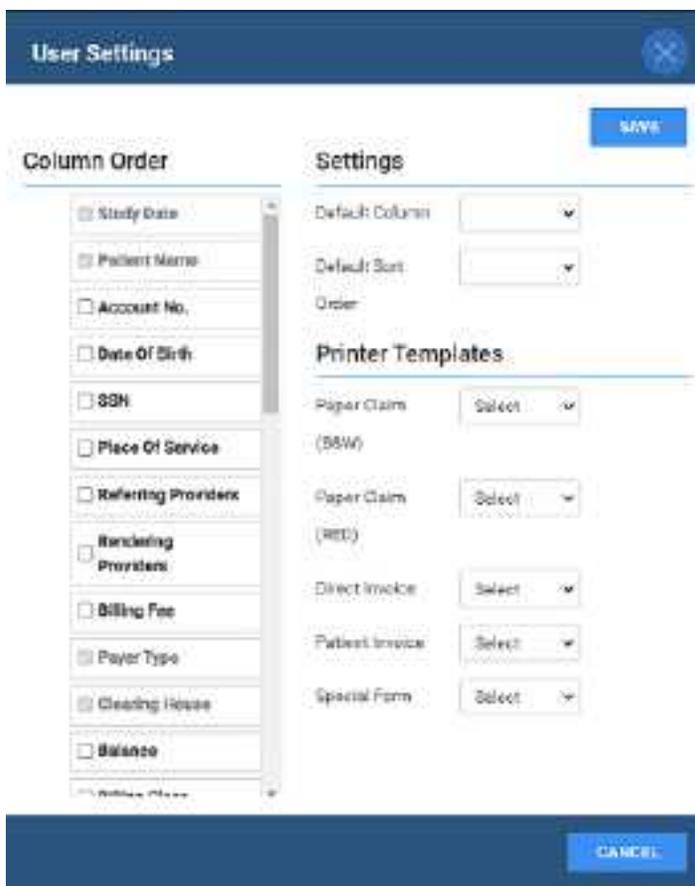
2. Under **Column Order**, do one or more of the following.

   - To show or hide a column, select or clear its checkbox.
   - To reorder a column, drag it to a new position in the list.

1. Under **Settings**, select a default column and its default sort order.

2. Select **SAVE.**

Add codes and other basic data

Use this procedure to add or edit: adjustment codes, billing codes, billing classes, claim statuses, billing providers, provider ID code qualifiers, billing messages, payment reasons, CAS group codes, CAS reason codes, and status color codes.

Procedure

1. Go to BILLING > Setup > **Adjustment Codes**.

2. In the left pane, select the type of data that you want to add.

3. In the upper-right side of the page, select **ADD.**

4. Enter the information in the dialog, and then select **SAVE.**

See also:

Configure claim validation
Create or edit an EDI or ERA template
Configure an EDI clearinghouse
Insurance mapping
Create a printer template

Configure the billing collections process

You can configure Exa PACS/RIS to automatically assign collection review status to claims meeting criteria that you enter. You can also automatically write off the balances of claims in collections.

Procedure

1. Go to BILLING > Setup > **Collections Process**.

2. Enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Process Collections Automatically	Select to turn on automatic collections processing.
Minimum Account Balance	Type a dollar amount. If the claim balance is lower than the amount you type, it will not be processed for collections.
Collections Review Criteria	Select one or more criteria, and then type the values in the boxes.
Write off the balance when there is a claim status in Claim in Collections	Select to automatically write off the balance of claims that are in the Claim in Collections status.
Debit/Credit adjustment Code	When writing off balances, select a debit or credit adjustment code to use for the write-off.

3. Select **SAVE**.

Configure claim validation

Exa Billing validates claims by confirming that the information satisfies the requirements of various public and private health agencies (if applicable), and by checking whether you entered information in required options. You can select which options are required.

Procedure

1. Go to BILLING > Setup > **Billing Validations**.

2. On the top of the billing validations page, select a billing method of **Electronic**, **Invoice**, or **Patient**.

3. In the list of options, select the ones that you want to be required.

4. Select **SAVE**.

Configure a billing provider

A *billing provider* is the provider who issues invoices for an exam. In order to create claims, you must configure at least one billing provider.

Procedure

1. Go to BILLING > Setup > **Billing Providers**, and then select **ADD**.

2. Enter information as needed, and then select **SAVE**.

Create or edit an EDI or ERA template

You can create or edit an EDI template to format electronic claims submissions. You can also edit the ERA template.

Procedure

1. Go to [BILLING](#) > [Setup](#) > **EDI/ERA Templates**.

2. On the top of the page, select **EDI Template**, and then select **ADD.**

3. In the **Template Creation** dialog, type a name for the template and then select **SAVE TEMPLATE**.
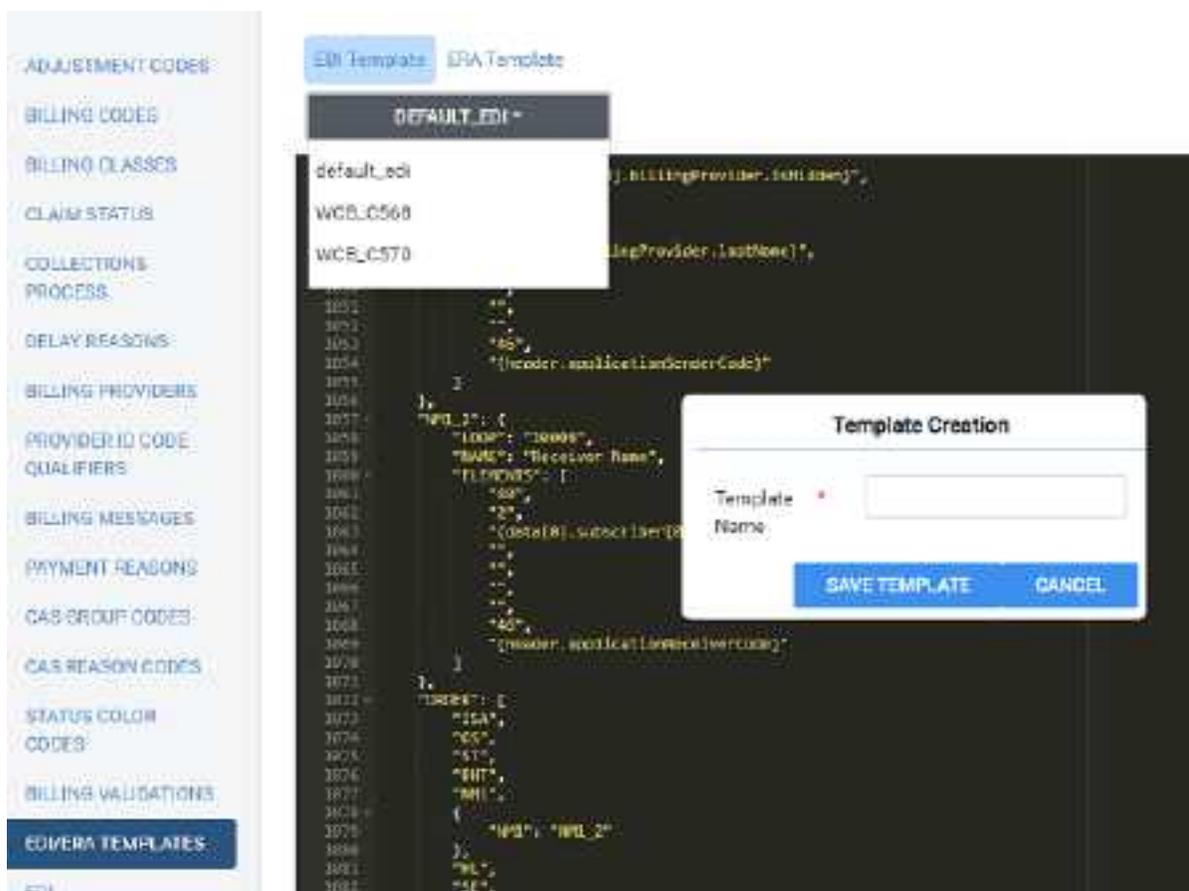
4. Below the **EDI Template** button, in the template button menu, select your template.

5. In the template editing area, edit the template.

6. To edit the ERA template, select the **ERA Template** button and then edit the template as needed.

7. Select **SAVE.**

Configure an EDI clearinghouse

To process transactions through a clearinghouse, you must configure one as follows. If you transact with the Alberta, Canada healthcare system, add the Alberta WCB as a clearinghouse.

Prerequisite: Obtain credentials and other connection information from the clearinghouse.

Procedure

1. Go to BILLING > Setup > **EDI CLEARINGHOUSES** > **ADD**.

2. Enter all relevant information for the clearinghouse and select **SAVE**.

Add billing messages

You can associate customized messages with accounts receivable codes. Billing messages print on the patient statement based on the age of the oldest claim included in the activity.

Procedure

1. Go to BILLING > Setup > **Billing Messages**.

2. To find a code, enter a criterion in the **CODE** box and then select **Enter**.

3. In the list of codes, double-click a row.

4. Enter a description, and then select **SAVE.**

Add an insurance provider

Before you can bill an insurance provider, you must set the provider up in Exa PACS/RIS. Note that *insurance provider* in this context means any institution that can act as a payer, including insurance companies, financial firms, and attorneys.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Billing** > **INSURANCE PROVIDER**.

2. Select **ADD.**

3. Enter the following information for the provider. Depending on customer options, some fields are not available.

Setting	Description
Code	Type the insurance provider's plan ID.
Inactive	Select this checkbox to: 1. Make the insurance provider unavailable in other parts of the program. 2. Make all associated patient insurance profiles unavailable in other parts of the program. 3. Set the insurance profile Valid To date to yesterday's date.
Insurance Name	Type the name of the provider.
Require AUC	Select if the provider requires the physician to satisfy AUC before submitting orders for Medicare. Selecting this checkbox will automatically open the CDSM application when creating the order in the physician's portal.
Payer ID	Type the insurance provider's ID (or ID based on information from your clearinghouse).
[Address]	Type the address of the provider.
Phone/Fax No.	Type the primary phone and fax numbers of the provider.
Additional Phone Numbers	Type additional phone numbers, if available.
Market	Select the market that the insurance provider serves. All facilities associated with the selected market become selected in the Facilities dropdown list.

Setting	Description
Facilities	Select the facilities where you see patients with this insurance provider.
Provider Type	Select a provider type.
SOP Payer	Select a source of payment code for the provider.
Fee Schedule	Select the default billing fee schedule used for the provider.
Allowed Fee Schedule	Select the allowed fee schedule for the provider.
Alternate Imagine Provider ID	Type an alternate provider ID for use by ImagineSoftware. **Note**: Only use if an alternate NPI is required by an insurance company. Leave blank to use the provider ID configured for the facility.
Trading Partner ID	Type the PokitDok or ImagineSoftware trading partner ID. For PokitDok, you can find the trading partner ID at: https://dashboard.pokitdok.com/#/trading-partners?code=270&name=Eligibility
Website	Type the URL to the provider's website, if available.
Insurance Provider Alerts	Type alerts as needed.

4. Select **SAVE**.

See also:

Configure a fee schedule

About CDSM and AUC

Add an insurance provider payer type

Verify eligibility of preorders and studies with PokitDok

Verify eligibility and estimate coverage with ImagineSoftware

About active and inactive insurance

Insurance providers can be inactivated, but individual patient insurance policies from those providers can also be inactivated from the patient chart. When adding insurance to an order, the following describes the relationship between the two.

Insurance Provider	Order Status	Policy Valid To Date	Policy Status
Active	Unscheduled	< Current date	Inactive and unavailable.
		≥ Current date	Active and available.
		None	Active and available
	Scheduled	< Scheduled date	Inactive and unavailable.
		≥ Scheduled date	Active and available.

Insurance Provider	Order Status	Policy Valid To Date	Policy Status
		None	Active and available
Inactive	Scheduled or Unscheduled	Any	Inactive and unavailable.

* *Unavailable* means that it cannot be added to the order, or selected anywhere in Exa PACS/RIS. If the policy was previously added to a patient chart, it is still be viewable but cannot be edited or used for billing or other purposes.

See also:

Add an insurance provider

Import an insurance provider

If you obtain exported insurance provider files, you can import them.
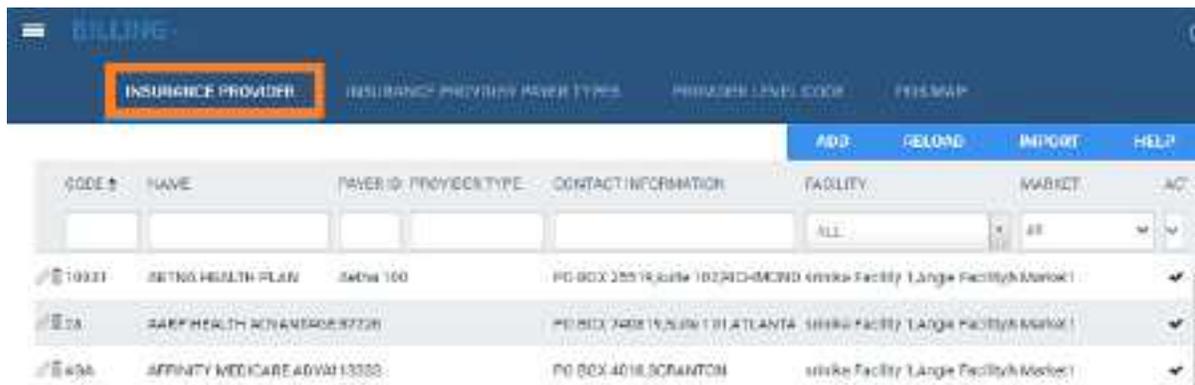
Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Billing** > **INSURANCE PROVIDER**.

2. Select **IMPORT**.
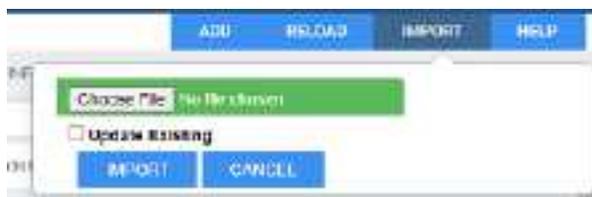
3. Select **Choose File**, browse for and select the file to import, and select **Open**.

4. Optional. To replace existing facilities, select the **Update Existing** checkbox.

Add an insurance provider payer type

You can create insurance provider payer types.

Procedure

1. Go to [SETUP] > [OFFICE] > **Billing** > **INSURANCE PROVIDER PAYER TYPES**.

2. Select **ADD.**

3. Enter your internal code and description, and then select **SAVE**.

Add a provider level code

You can create provider level codes to associate with Procedure Codes.

Procedure

1. Go to [SETUP] > [OFFICE] > **Billing** > **PROVIDER LEVEL CODE**.

2. Select **ADD**.

3. Enter your internal code, description, and level, and then select **SAVE**.

Add a POS map

With a POS (*place of service*) *map*, you can select default locations to which to dispatch mobile radiology orders from providing entities. For example, an ordering facility might typically dispatch its orders to the patient's residence rather than its own location, and you can pre-configure this arrangement by using a POS map.

Procedure

1. Go to [SETUP](#) > [OFFICE](#) > **Billing** > **POS MAP**.
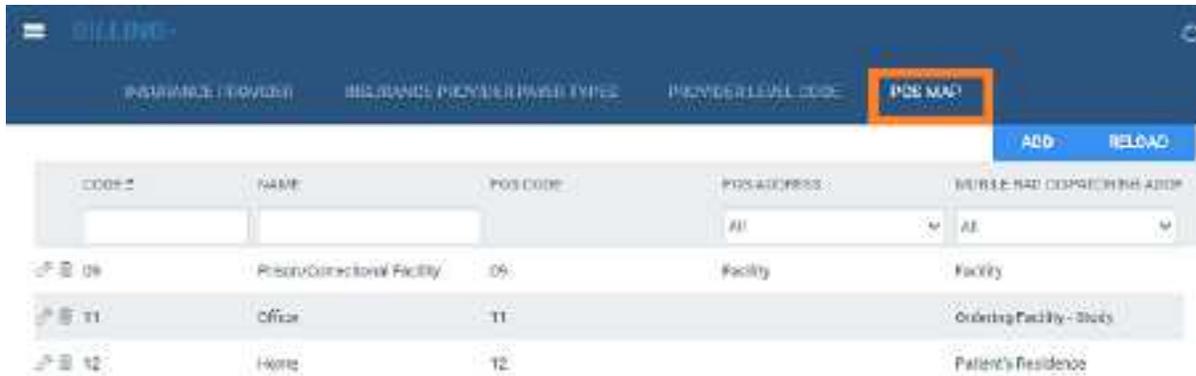
2. Select **ADD.**
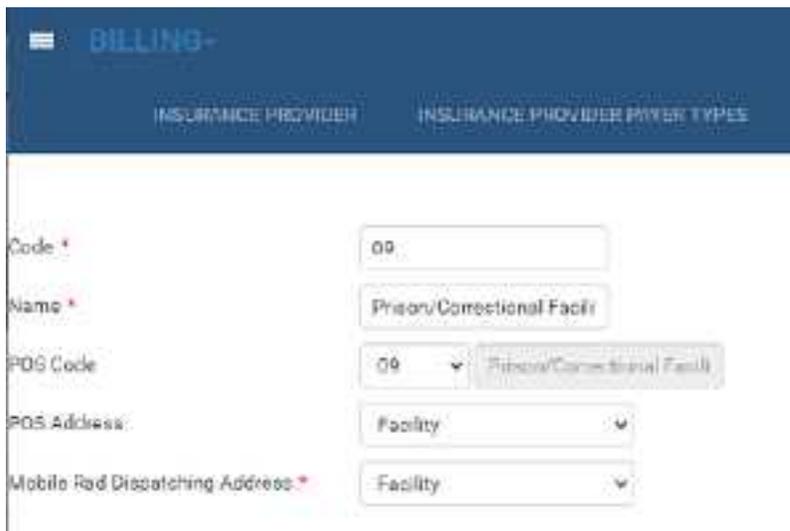
3. Enter your internal code, name, POS code, POS address.

4. In the **Mobile Rad Dispatching Address** dropdown list, select one of the following.

Setting	Description
Facility	Dispatch to the address of the Facility.
Ordering Facility - Study	Dispatch to the OF address selected for the study.
Ordering Facility - Patient	Dispatch to the OF address selected in the patient chart.

Setting	Description
Ordering Physician	Dispatch to the address of the ordering physician.
Patient Residence	Dispatch to the address of the patient.

5. Select **SAVE**.

Insurance mapping

Insurance mapping means to assign a billing method (such as direct, paper, or electronic) and a clearinghouse (for electronic billing) to an insurance provider or other payer.

Prerequisite: Add an insurance provider

Procedure

1. Go to BILLING > Setup > **Insurance Mapping**.

2. Double-click an insurance provider in the list.

3. In the **Billing Method** dropdown list, select an item, and then enter information as needed in the other options.

4. Select **SAVE.**

Create a printer template

Exa Billing comes with templates for standard billing forms, but you can also create custom templates.

Procedure

1. Go to BILLING > Setup > **Printer Templates**.

2. At the upper-right, select **ADD.**
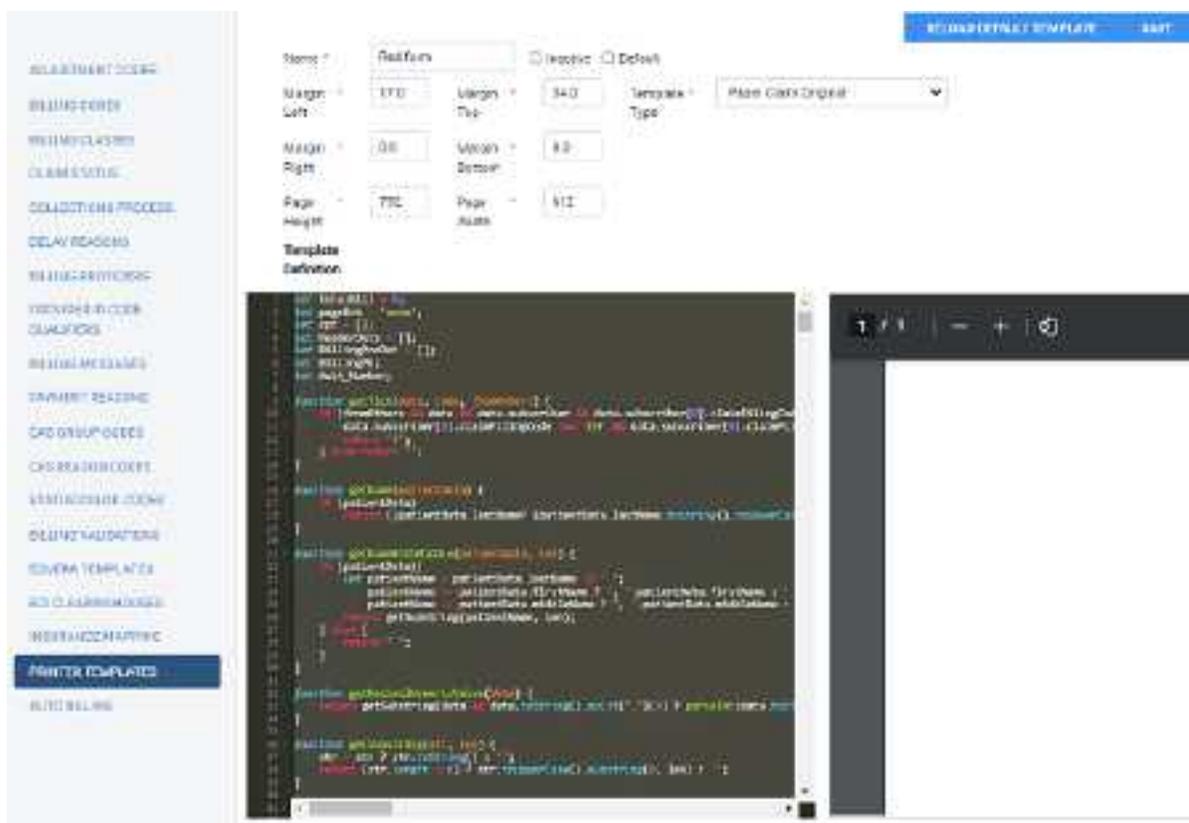
3. Optional: To base your template on the default, select **RELOAD DEFAULT TEMPLATE**.

4. Enter the name, template type, and margins.

5. In the **Template Definition** area, type the JSON code for the template.

   A preview of your template appears in the right pane.

6. Select **SAVE.**

Select default printer templates

You can select which templates to use by default for printing out standardized forms and customized invoices. Exa Billing comes with several templates, and you can also create your own.

Procedure

1. Go to BILLING > settings 　.

2. Under **Printer Templates**, make the following selections.

   Paper Claim (B&W) – The standard "black and white" claims form.

   Paper Claim (RED) – The standard "red" claim form.

   Direct Invoice – Select a template for billing insurance companies.

   Patient Invoice – Select a template for billing patients.

   Special Form - Select to use special-case forms, such as for claims in New Jersey.

3. Select **SAVE.**

See also:

Create a printer template

Manage users

Administrators can configure individual users, user groups, Active Directory, and assign roles (rights) to users. In Exa PACS/RIS, you assign user roles to user groups, and then you assign user groups to individual users.

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Incorrect user configuration can lead to security risks such as leaked patient information.

Create a user role

A *user role* is a named collection of user rights that you can assign to user groups. To create a user role, complete the following steps.

Procedure

1. Go to <u>SETUP</u> > <u>OFFICE</u> > **User Management** > **USER ROLES**.

2. Select **ADD**, type a name and description of the role, and the select **SAVE**.

   For example, type BILLING, and then select **SAVE**.

3. In the **User Role Permission** area, select all of the user rights that you want to assign to the user role.

4. Select **SAVE & CLOSE**.

See also:

User rights

Create a user group

Create a user

Create a user group

A *user group* is a named collection of individual users to which you can assign roles and access to certain document types and areas of the program.

Prerequisite: Create a user role.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **User Management** > **USER GROUPS**.

2. Select **ADD**.

3. Enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Group Code	Type your internal code for the group. For example, RAD.
Group Name	Type your internal name for the group. For example, Radiologist.
Group Description	Type a description for the group.
Document Types	Select the document types that group members can access. For example, select All Documents.
Roles	Select all user roles that you want the group members to have.
Navigation	Select the areas of the program that group members can access (items available on the burger menu).

4. Select **SAVE**.

See also:

Create a user

Create a user

A *user* is a member of a user group for whom you can configure custom rights and limitations in addition to those defined in user roles.

Prerequisite: Create a user group.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **User Management** > **USERS**.
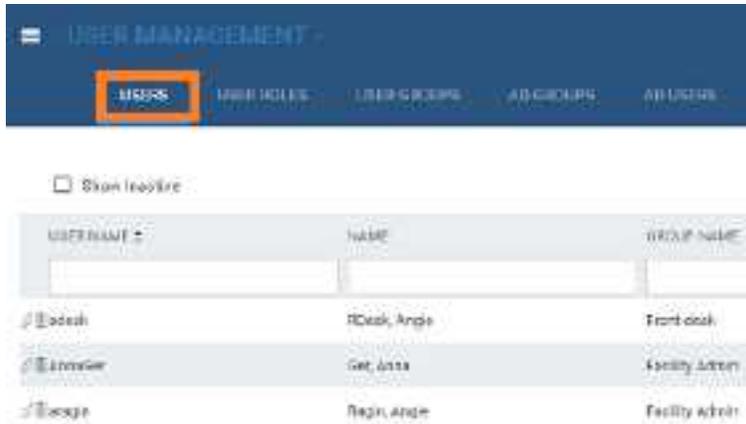
2. Select **ADD**.

3. Enter the following settings.

   Not all settings may be available depending on your product and configuration.

Setting	Description
Group Name	Select the user group to which the user belongs.

Setting	Description
Name	Type the user's name.
Mobile Phone/ E-Mail	Type the user's mobile phone number and/or email address. The email address must be unique, and is required for two-factor authentication.
User Name	Type a sign-in user name for the user.
Login with Google	When selected, the user can sign in through their Google account.
Netcare access	Select to grant permission to access Alberta Netcare (Alberta only).
Password	Type a sign in password for the user. This option is only available the first time you configure the user.
Session Interval	Type or select the number of minutes before the user's session times out.
Allow Emergency Access	Select to assign "super user" rights to the user regardless of roles or groups.
Linked Ordering Facility	This dropdown list becomes available when you select Ordering Facility in the Linked Provider User Type dropdown list. Select ordering facilities to appear on orders the user creates in the Ordering Facility portal.
Access Expires After	Type and select a duration after which the user's account expires. Leave blank to keep the account open indefinitely.
One-Time Access	When selected, the user can sign in only one time.
User Must Change Password Next Login	Select to require the user to create their own password after signing in the first time.
Assign Claims to Follow-Up Queue for Another User	Select to give the user the ability to add claims to another user's follow-up queue.
User Can Change Accounting Dates	When selected, the user can edit accounting dates under Billing > Payments.
Dragon 360	[reserved, do not select]
Market	Select the market that the user serves. This setting narrows search results in other parts of the program. For example, when the user searches for a patient chart, Exa PACS/RIS only returns charts of patients in the same market as the user.
Facilities	Select the facilities that the user can view and modify.
Linked Provider User Type	Select the user type if linking to one. If you select Ordering Facility, the previous Linked Ordering Facility and Ordering Facility dropdown lists appear.
Hide Order Menu	Available only if no linked provider type is selected. Hides the navigation menu within the Edit Study screen.
Ordering Facility	Appears when you select Ordering Facility in the Linked Provider User Type dropdown list. Select the ordering facility into whose portal the user can sign in.
Search Type	(Available when Provider or Ordering Facility is selected.)

Setting	Description
	Select the range of patient and other data that the user may search: full patient database, or only the associated patients in the portal.
Scheduled By	(Available when Ordering Facility is selected.) Select an option to control the dates available to the user when requesting an appointment in the ordering facility portal.

4. Select **SAVE**.

5. Optional.

- To limit what the user can view on the worklist, see Configure an administered worklist filter.

- To view a user's devices, select the **ATTACHED DEVICES** sub-tab.

- To restrict the user's access to specific ordering facilities, select the **USER PERMISSIONS** sub-tab.

See also:

Create a user role

Reset a user's password as an administrator

If a user forgets their password, an administrator can reset it or prompt the user to reset it the next time they log in.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **User Management** > **USERS**.
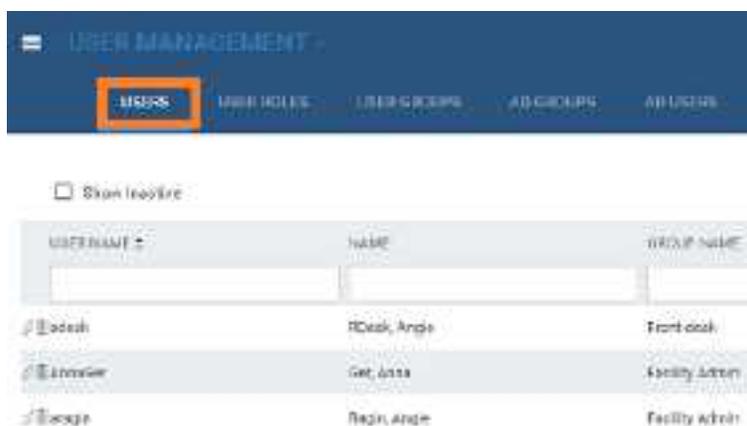
2. Double-click the user in the list and do one of the following.

- Select **RESET PASSWORD**, and then choose a new password for the user.
- Select the **User Must Change Password Next Login** checkbox.

3. Select **SAVE**.

4. Inform the user to sign out and then sign in again with the new password, or follow the on-screen instructions to reset their password.

Configure an administered worklist filter

In addition to user roles, administrators can use the following steps to configure worklist filters that control which studies, patients, and other information are available to individual users and user groups. Users can configure their own worklist filters but cannot edit filters that administrators configured for them.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **User Management** > **USERS**.

2. Double-click a user row to open a user, and select the **WORKLIST FILTER** sub-tab.
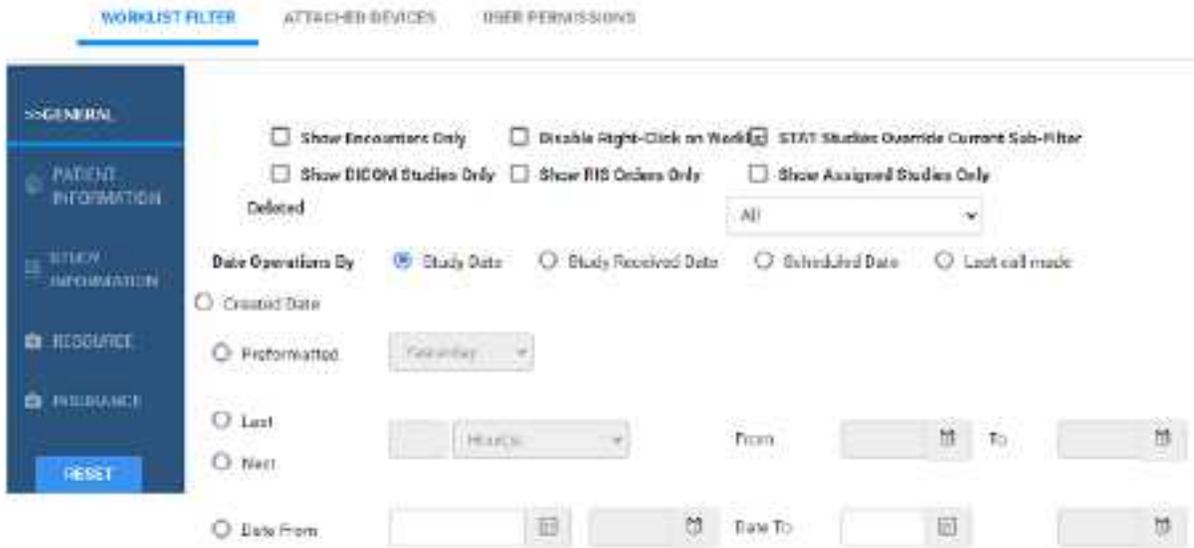
3. Perform one or more of the following procedures.

Configure general user worklist filter settings

You can finely control the information on the worklist to which the user has access.

1. In the left pane, select **GENERAL**.

2. Enter the following settings, and then select **SAVE**.

Setting	Description
Show Encounters Only	Select to show only studies involving interaction between a patient and provider.
Show DICOM Studies Only	Select to show only DICOM (imaging) studies.
Disable Right-click on Worklist	Select to prevent the user from opening the worklist shortcut menu.
Show RIS Orders Only	Select to show only orders from RIS.
STAT Studies Override Current Sub-Filter	Select to always show studies with assigned STAT levels, regardless of any other filtering criteria.
Show Assigned Studies Only	Select to show only studies to which a user is assigned.
Deleted	Select whether to show all, only, or no (None) deleted studies.
Configure the following settings together to compose a single filtering condition.	
Date Operations By	Select a study property against which to apply criteria. Study Date Study Received Date Scheduled Date Last Call Made

Setting	Description
	Created Date
Preformatted	Select from a list of preformatted date ranges, rather than manually entering one by using the settings described later. Example: Date Operations = Study Date Preformatted = Last 7 Days "If the study date falls within the last 7 days, display the study on the user's worklist"
Last/Next	Select a time range for the selected property. Example: Date Operations = Study Received Date Select Last, type 8, select Week(s) "If the study was received some time during the last 8 weeks, display the study on the user's worklist."
Date From / Date To	Select and enter a date range for the selected property.
From / To	Select and enter a time range for the selected property.

Limit access to patient information

You can limit the worklist to only display studies for patients who satisfy certain criteria.

1. In the left pane, select **PATIENT INFORMATION**.

2. Under **Patient Name**, select a logic option, type the exact portion of the patient name that corresponds to the selected logic option, and then select the plus ➕ button to add the criterion.

3. Under **Account No.**, perform the previous step as appropriate for the account number.

4. Select **SAVE**.

Limit access to study information

You can limit the worklist to only display studies that satisfy certain criteria.

1. In the left pane, select **STUDY INFORMATION**.

2. For each criterion, select a logic option, and then type or select a value.

3. For example, to display only abdominal studies, under Body Part:

   - Select the **Is** option

   - In the list of body parts, select **Abdomen**

4. Select **SAVE**.

Limit access to information related to specific resources

You can limit the worklist to only display studies whose resources satisfy certain criteria.

1. In the left pane, select **RESOURCE**.

2. For each criterion, select a logic option, and then type or select a value.

    For example, to display only studies whose referring physician is *Jane Doe*, under **Ref. Phys.**:

    -   Select the **Is** option

    -   In the box, type JANE DOE, and then select the plus button.

3. Select **SAVE**.

Limit access to information from specific insurance providers

You can limit the worklist to only display studies for patients who satisfy certain criteria.

1. In the left pane, select **INSURANCE**.

2. For each criterion, select a logic option, and then type or select a value. For example, to hide studies under litigation, under **Insurance Provider Type**:

    -   Select the **Is Not** option

    -   In the box, select **Litigation**, and then select the plus button.

3. Select **SAVE**.

See also:

Create a user worklist filter

Manage who is online

Users with user management rights can view a list of users who are online, view a user's activity log, and terminate their session.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **User Management** > **USERS ONLINE**.

2. Optional: To view a session log for a user, select the log button.

View assigned studies and patients

You can view lists of studies and patients that are assigned to you (the current user).

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **User Management**.

2. Do one or both of the following.

- To view studies assigned to you, select the **ASSIGNED STUDIES** tab, and then select a sub-tab to filter by user type.

- To view patients assigned to you, select the **ASSIGNED PATIENTS** tab.

Create an nVoq user

See Configure an nVoq user account.

Copy settings from one user to another

To create new users more quickly, you can add a user and then copy settings from an existing user.

Procedure

1. Go to <u>SETUP</u> > <u>OFFICE</u> > **User Management** > **COPY PROFILE SETTINGS**.

2. In the **Source User** dropdown list, select the user whose settings you want to copy.

3. In the **Destination User** dropdown list, select a user to configure with the source user's settings, and then select the plus button.

4. Optional. Repeat to configure additional users with the source user settings.

5. Select **SAVE.**

Configure Mobile RAD

You can set up mobile radiology including vehicles, technologists, and geographical information.

See also:

Mobile billing

Configure assets for Mobile RAD

To use mobile RAD you must first configure assets by carrying out the following procedures.

Procedure

1. Configure a technologist, and assign a schedule template to that technologist.

2. Configure an ordering facility.

3. Configure a place of service (Add a POS map).

4. Configure vehicles.

Configure vehicles

You must register in Exa PACS/RIS vehicles that you will use for Mobile RAD. Perform this procedure for each vehicle in your fleet.

Procedure

1. On the burger ☰ menu, select **SETUP**.

2. On the **OFFICE** menu, select **Mobile RAD**.

3. On the **VEHICLE REGISTRATION** tab, select **ADD**, and then enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Vehicle Name	Type any name.
Make	Type the manufacturer of the vehicle.
Model	Type the model of the vehicle.
Device ID (GPS)	Type the ID number of the GPS device for the vehicle.
Color	Type the color of the vehicle.
VIN	Type the vehicle identification number of the vehicle.
License Plate No.	Type the license plate number of the vehicle.
License Plate State	Type the state of issue of the license plate.
Facility	Select facilities for which the vehicle is used.

Setting	Description
Inspection Expiration Date	Select the date of next required inspection.
Registration Expiration Date	Select the date of expiration of the vehicle registration.
Vehicle Note	Types notes.

4. Under **Equipment Type**, select the plus ✛ button, and then in the **Equipment** dialog, enter settings for each piece of radiology equipment in the vehicle.

5. Under **Maintenance**, select the plus ✛ button, and then in the **Maintenance** dialog, enter vehicle maintenance information.

6. Under **Location**, select the plus ✛ button and then enter settings for each location where the vehicle is parked on particular days.

7. Select **SAVE**.

Configure general settings

You can set up study forms, custom forms, templates, and queues, and perform limited database queries.

Create a study form

Study forms are interactive electronic forms that people inside and outside your organization can use to gather or provide needed information quickly—and often automatically. Examples include consent forms for HIPPA or treatments, screening forms, pain sheets, affidavits, customer payment plans, and procedure checklists. For information on how to use forms that you create, see Add a study form to a patient record and Add a custom form to a patient record.

Set up a study form

Use the following procedure to initially set up the form, and then see other topics later in this section to add and edit form contents.

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **General** > **FORM BUILDER**.

2. Select **ADD**.

3. Type a **Form Name**, and then select the **ASSIGN** sub-tab.
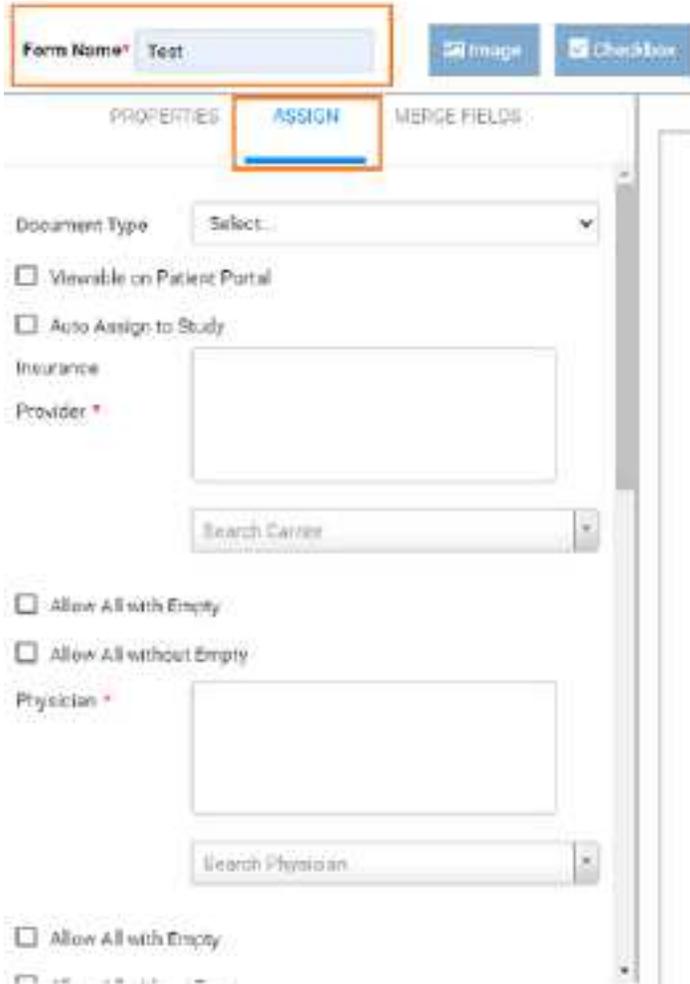
4. Enter the following settings to define the scope of the form and filter its availability.

Setting	Description
Document Type	Select a type in order to group forms and make them easier to find.
Viewable on Patient Portal	Select to make the form available from the patient portal and in Patient Kiosk.
Auto Assign to Study	Select and then enter criteria for studies to which to automatically assign the form. Assigned forms appear in the Study Forms tab of the Edit Study screen, making them available to users without performing dedicated searches.
Insurance Provider Allow All with Empty Allow All without Empty	Select to restrict availability to the form to specific insurance providers. Select to make all providers available if none are specified. Select to make the setting required.
Physician Allow All with Empty	Select to restrict availability to the form to specific physicians. Select to make all physicians available if none are specified.

Allow All without Empty	Select to make the setting required.
CPT Codes	Select to restrict the form to studies with specific CPT codes.
Allow All with Empty	Select to make available for all CPT codes if none are specified.
Allow All without Empty	Select to make the setting required.
ICD Codes	Select to restrict the form to studies with specific ICD codes.
Allow All with Empty	Select to make available for all ICD codes if none are specified.
Allow All without Empty	Select to make the setting required.
Markets	The form is available to patients in, or having exams scheduled in the markets you select. All facilities in the selected markets become selected in the Facilities dropdown list.
Facilities	The form is available to patients in, or having exams scheduled in the facilities you select.
Modalities	Select to restrict availability to the form to studies from specific modalities.
Male Patient Only	Select to restrict availability to the form for male patients only, such as for prostate exams.
Female Patient Only	Select to restrict availability to the form for female patients only, such as for HSG exams.
Mammo Patient Only	Select to restrict availability to the form for mammography patients only.

5. Select **SAVE**.

Add a header to a study form

1. At the top of the **FORM BUILDER** tab, select the **Header** checkbox.

2. In the form area, select the word "Header."

3. In the left pane, on the properties tab, select **CHANGE LOGO**.

4. Browse for and select a logo, and then select **Open**.

5. In your form header, select the word "Header" and then replace it by typing a new field name.

   For example, type Study Date:

6. In the left pane, on the **MERGE FIELDS** tab, in the search box, type search term to look for a relevant merge field.

   For example, type study.
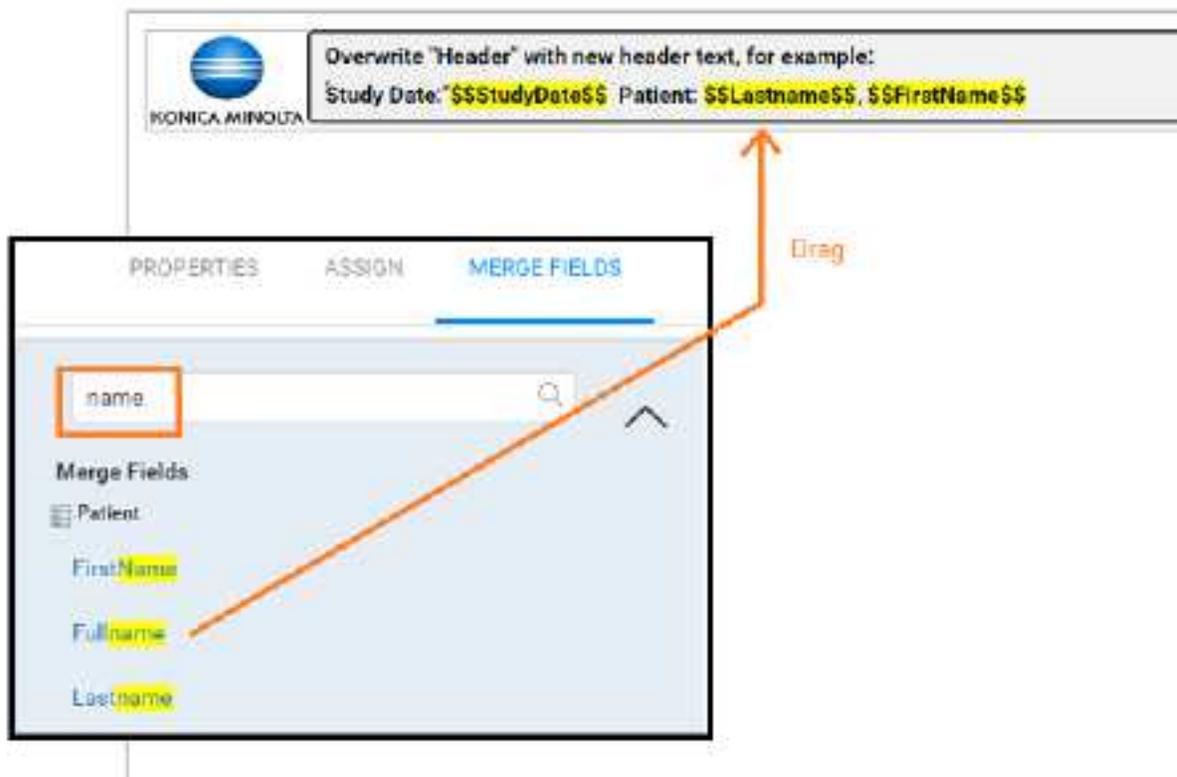
7. In the list of results, double-click a merge field to add it to the form header.

   For example, double-click **StudyDate**.

8. To the right of the **$$StudyDate$$** merge field, type a new field name. For example:

   `Patient Name:`

9. Repeat earlier steps to find and add a merge field for the patient name.

   Hint: Search for "name" rather than "patient."

10. In the left pane, on the **PROPERTIES** tab, use the **Spacing** and **Style** controls to modify the layout.

11. Select **Save**.

    Another example header:
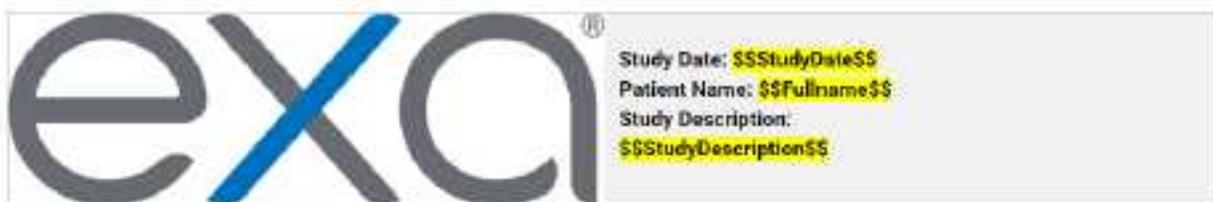
Add controls to a study form

Use controls to **gather information from** or **provide information to** the person filling out the form. To add a control, drag its button into the body of the form. To configure the control, select it and enter options in the left pane.
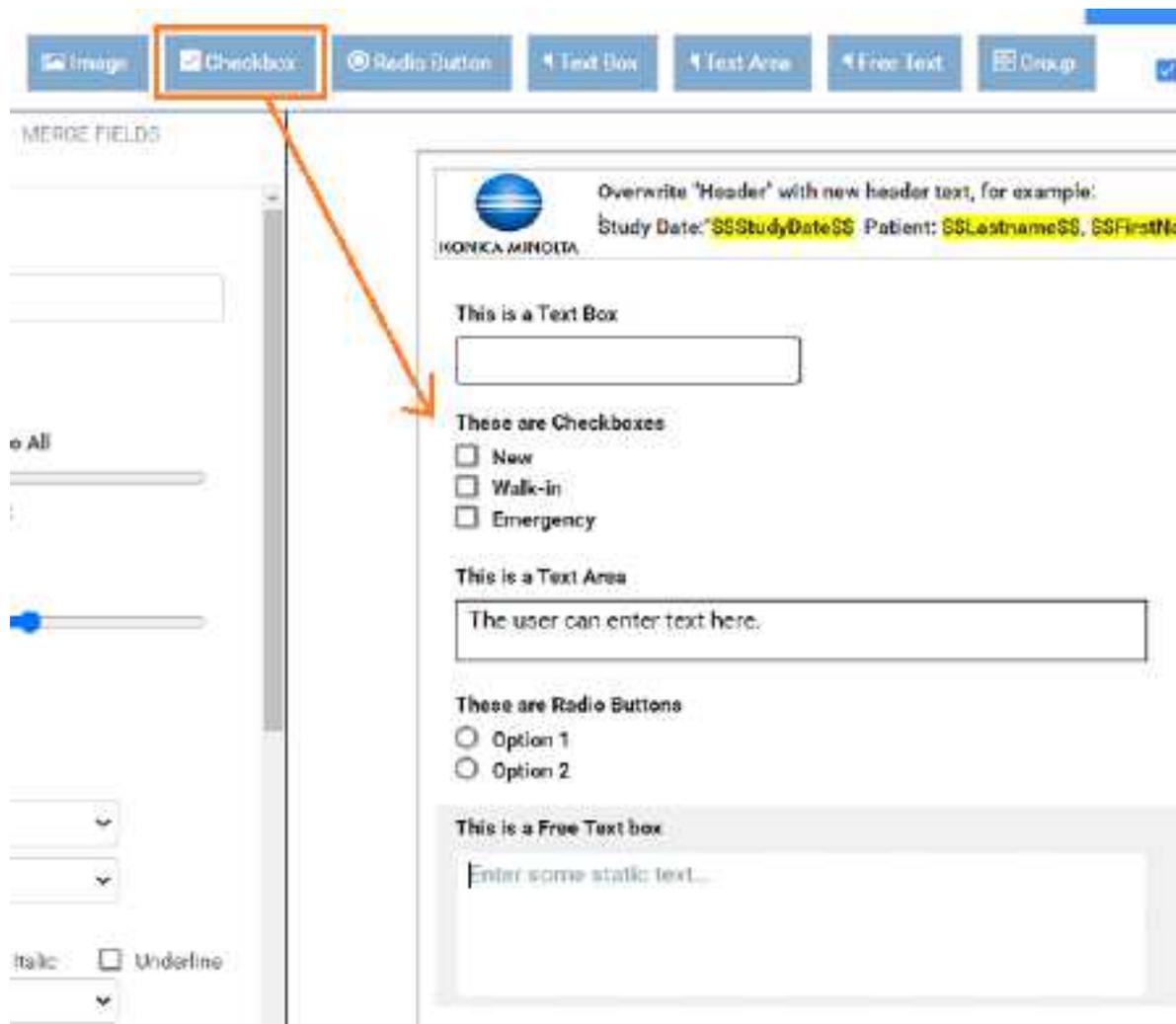
Details on form controls

The following sections in this topic provide additional information and instructions about form controls.

Text boxes

Text Boxes to gather one-line user input

Text Areas to provide boilerplates

Free Text boxes to gather or provide information longer than one line.

The following compares the properties of text controls.

	Text Formatting	Variable Height	Scrollable	Minimum Height	Printer Friendly	Inline Controls
Text Box	No	Yes1	No	1 line	Yes	Yes
Text Area	No	No	Yes	1 line	No	No
Free Text	Yes2	No	Yes	5 lines	Yes	No

1. With Dynamic Input selected.

2. Font family, size, emphasis, and alignment.

To add a text control:

1. Drag the **Text Box**, **Text Area**, or **Free Text** button onto the form.

2. Select the word "Untitled," and then in the left pane, in the **Question** box, type text to introduce or label the text input box. For example:

   For an information gathering box, type `Please list all allergies`.

   For an information providing box, type `Liability waiver`.

3. If the text control is for providing information, enter the information in the box.

   Adjust vertical spacing:

   - To adjust the space between the question and the box, use the **Line Height** slider.
   - To adjust the space before and after the text control, use the **Padding** slider.
   - To apply adjustments to all controls on the form at once, select **Apply Spacing to All** checkbox, and then use the sliders.
   - If using a Text Box, select the following options for **Inline Controls**.

Setting	Description
Fit on One Line	Select to place the label one the same line as, and to the right of, the text input box.
Inline Multiple Controls	Select this option for two adjacent text boxes to place both on the same line.
Question First	Select to move the label to the left of the text input box.
Append Text Input	Select to add a new input box between the label and the original input box. This new input box is only available to the person filling out the form.
Dynamic Input	Select to fit the height and width of the text box to the text it contains.

   - If using Free Text to provide information, apply formatting to your text as needed by using the **Style** controls.
   - To adjust the width of the text control, select an option in the **Size** dropdown list.

4. Select **SAVE**.

Add an image to a study form

1. To add an image, drag the **Image** button to the form.

2. To give the image a title, select **Untitled**, and then type a title.

3. Double-click the box below the title, and then browse for and select an image file.

4. On the left pane, use the controls to modify the alignment and size.

   Note: If you select a size of Original, the image expands to fit the width of the page.

Add checkboxes to a study form

1. To add a group of checkboxes, drag the **Checkbox** button onto the form.

2. Select the word "Untitled," and then in the left pane, in the **Question** box, type text to label the checkbox group.

   For example, type: `Allergies`.

3. Adjust the vertical **Spacing**, **Inline Controls**, and checkbox label **Style** (see "Add text controls to your form" earlier in this topic).

4. To add a new checkbox to the group, select **ADD ANSWER**.

5. To label individual checkboxes, type labels in the boxes under <u>**Answers**</u>.

   For example, type `Peanuts` for the first checkbox, and `Mold` for the second.

6. To arrange the checkboxes in columns, select a number in the **No. of columns for Answers** dropdown list.

7. To add an "Other" checkbox with accompanying text input box, select the **Add Other** checkbox.

8. Select **SAVE**.

Add options to a study form

While checkboxes make the person filling out the form able to select more than one option, options provide an "either/or" setting. You add an option group to your form by using the same procedure as for checkbox groups, except that you drag the **Radio Button** button onto the form instead of the Checkbox button.

Add a group box to a study form

A *group box* is a named group that can contain one or more checkbox groups and/or one or more option groups. To add a group box:

1. Drag the **Group** button onto the form.

2. Select the word "Group Title," and then in the left pane, in the **Question** box, type text to label the group.

3. To add a background image to the group, in the left pane, select **CHANGE IMAGE**, browse for and select an image, and then select **Open**.

4. To divide the group into columns, in the **Grid Columns** dropdown list, select a number of columns.

5. To add a checkbox group or radio button group into a particular column, in the **New Control Placement** dropdown list, select the number of the column, and then drag the **Checkbox** or **Radio Button** button onto the group.

6. Configure the checkboxes and/or radio buttons as described in "Add checkboxes to your form."

7. Select **SAVE**.

Add a footer to a study form

You can add and modify footers in the same way as headers. However, we often recommend using the footer for a signature line with a signature merge field. After the person electronically signs the form, their signature appears in the location of the merge field. To create a signature line in the footer:

1. At the top of the **FORM BUILDER** tab, select the **Footer** checkbox.

2. In the form area, select the word "Footer," and replace it by typing `Signature`.

3. In the left pane, on the **MERGE FIELDS** tab, search for "signature" and then double-click SudyFormSignature in the list of results.

4. Select **SAVE**.

See also:

Add a study form to a patient record
Add a custom form to a patient record

Export and import a study form

To save time creating a form for "Facility A," it may be helpful to import an existing form from "Facility B" and then modify it.

Export an existing study form

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **General** > **FORM BUILDER** > **EXPORT**.

Result: The form appears in the Windows Downloads folder as a JSON file.

2. Copy the JSON file to the computer at Facility A.

Import a study form

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **General** > **FORM BUILDER** > **IMPORT.**

2. In the **Import Study Forms** dialog, select **CHOOSE FILE**, browse for and select the copied JSON file, and then select **Open**.

3. On the **FORM BUILDER** tab, find the new form and edit it for use at Facility A.

Create a custom form

Custom forms are non-interactive electronic forms intended for delivering information. For interactive electronic forms that can both deliver and gather information, see Create a study form.

Set up a custom form

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **General** > **CUSTOM FORMS** > **ADD**.

2. Enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Document Name	Type a name for the form.
Description	Type a general description.
Labels	[Unused]
Patient Review Patient Mammo Form	[Unused]
Education Material	Select to make the form available in the EDUCATIONAL MATERIAL area of the patient chart.
Reference Document	Select to make the form available in the DOCUMENTS and CUSTOM FORMS areas of the patient chart.

3. Move down the page to **Assign Document.**

4. Enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Modalities	Select modalities to which to assign the custom form.

Setting	Description
Facility	Select a facility to which to assign the custom form, and then select the add ⊞ button.
ICD Codes	Select to restrict availability for specific ICD codes.
Allow All with Empty	Select to make available for all ICD codes if none are specified.
Allow All without Empty	Select to make the setting required.
Medication	Select to restrict availability for specific medications.
Allow All with Empty	Select to be available for all medications if none are specified.
Allow All without Empty	Select to make the setting required.
Lab Codes	Select to restrict availability for specific lab codes.
Allow All with Empty	Select to make available for all lab codes if none are specified.
Allow All without Empty	Select to make the setting required.
Male/Female/Mammo Patient Only	Select to restrict availability of the form to male, female, and/or mammography patients.

5. Select **SAVE**.

About adding contents to a custom form

The custom form word processing area provides commonly recognizable tools to type, align, and apply formatting to text, and insert images and merge fields. You can copy and paste contents by using the **Ctrl+C** and **Ctrl+V** keyboard shortcuts. To change font sizes, select text that you want to resize, and then select a size in the **Font Size** dropdown list.
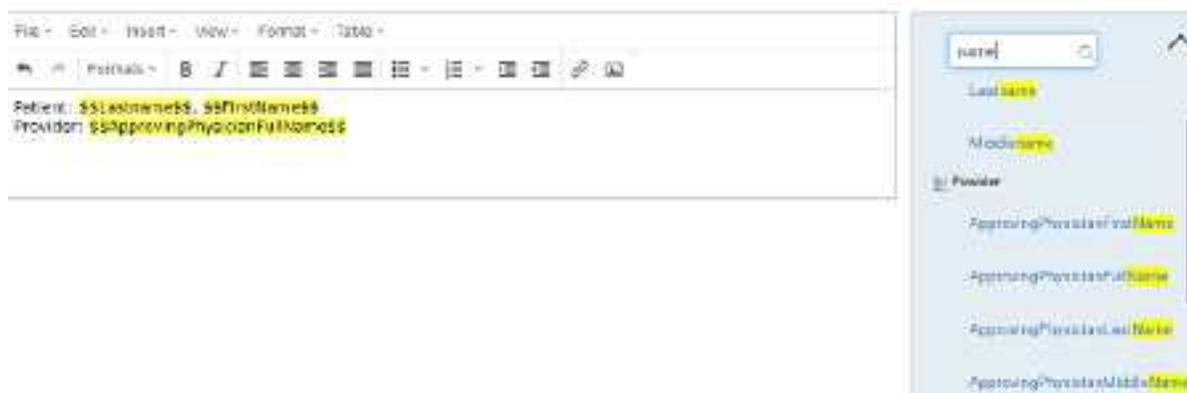
Add merge fields to a custom form

In this example we show you how to add a signature merge field to a custom form. You must add a signature merge field to be able to electronically sign the form.

1. In the right pane, in the **Merge Fields** area, in the search box, type search term to look for a relevant merge field.

   For example, type `sign`.

2. In the list of results, double-click a merge field to add it to the form.

   For example, double-click **CustomFormSign**.

3. To the left of the $$CustomFormSignature$$ merge field, type a new field name.

   For example, type `Signature:`

4. Select **SAVE**.

Editing a custom form

Note: If you edit an existing form, your changes will *not* appear on forms that are already attached to a patient chart. To edit a form:

1. On the burger ▤ menu, select **SETUP**.

2. On the **OFFICE** menu, select **General**.

3. On the **CUSTOM FORMS** tab, select the form ▣ button of the custom form that you want to edit.

4. Edit the form as needed, and then select **SAVE**.

Perform a quick query of database totals

As an alternative to reports, you can quickly search the PACS and RIS databases with customizable queries. A "DB total" search tells you how many patients, studies, and images in your databases match the search criteria.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **General** > **DB TOTALS**.
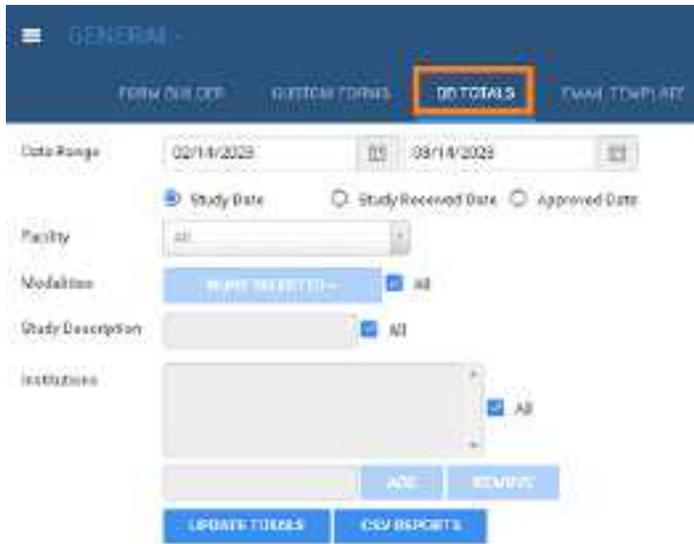
2. Enter the following search criteria.

   Note: If you performed a search previously during the current session, refresh your browser before entering new criteria.

Setting	Description
Date Range	Select a date range within which to search.
Study Date	Select a category for the date range:
Study Received Date	Search all studies with a study date within the date range.
	Search studies whose DICOM receive date is within the date range.
Approved Date	Search studies that were approved during the date range.
Facility	Filter the search by facility.
Modalities	Filter the search by modality.
Study Description	Filter the search by study description.
Institutions	Filter the search by institution.
ADD	To add a new institution to the list, clear the All checkbox, type the name of the institution in the box, and then select ADD.

3. To run the search, select **UPDATE TOTALS**.

4. The search results appear below the button under **DB Details**.

5. Optional. To export a more detailed report of your search and results, select **CSV REPORTS**.

About email templates and notification templates

Email templates and *notification templates* contain pre-formatted text that you can have Exa PACS/RIS automatically send through and along with various media. Note that the original term *email template* now also applies to non-email media such as faxes. Commonly, you use **email templates** to auto-send reports to providers and patients, and **notification templates** to auto-send study status changes to referring providers. The following table summarizes the differences in auto-sending media based on the type of template.

To create templates, see Configure an email template and Configure a notification template. To configure auto-sending of media using the templates, see Set up emailing of exam results and Set up sending of notifications.

Feature	Auto-Sending of Media Based On:	
	Email Templates	**Notification Templates**
Where to configure template	Setup > [all caps button menu] > General > Email Template	Setup > [all caps button menu] > General > Notification Templates
Who can receive media	Referring provider locations/contacts, referring provider group, referring provider's patient (in Patient Portal)	Referring provider locations/contacts
What media are sent	In addition to text defined in the template: **Reports** PDF attached to email Link attached to email Print and mail Print on selected printers Fax to referring providers Fax to referring provider's office **Images** CD, Film, Paper	Email or fax of status changes, including text defined in the template.
How to turn ON/OFF auto-sending	Select checkboxes in "Reports to Me"	• Select checkboxes is "Notification Settings," and • Select notification template in each status at which you want to auto-send.

Configure an email template

Follow the steps in this topic to configure an email template. To use the template to auto-send emails and other media, see Set up emailing of exam results.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **General** > **EMAIL TEMPLATE**.

2. Select **ADD.**

3. Enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Template Name	Type a name for the template.
Category	Select the type or purpose of the template.
Subject	Type text to appear on the Subject line.
Markets	Select the market for which the template is available. All facilities associated with the select market become selected in the Facilities list.
Facilities	Select the facilities to whose studies the template applies.

4. Use the word processing tools to compose the body of the email.
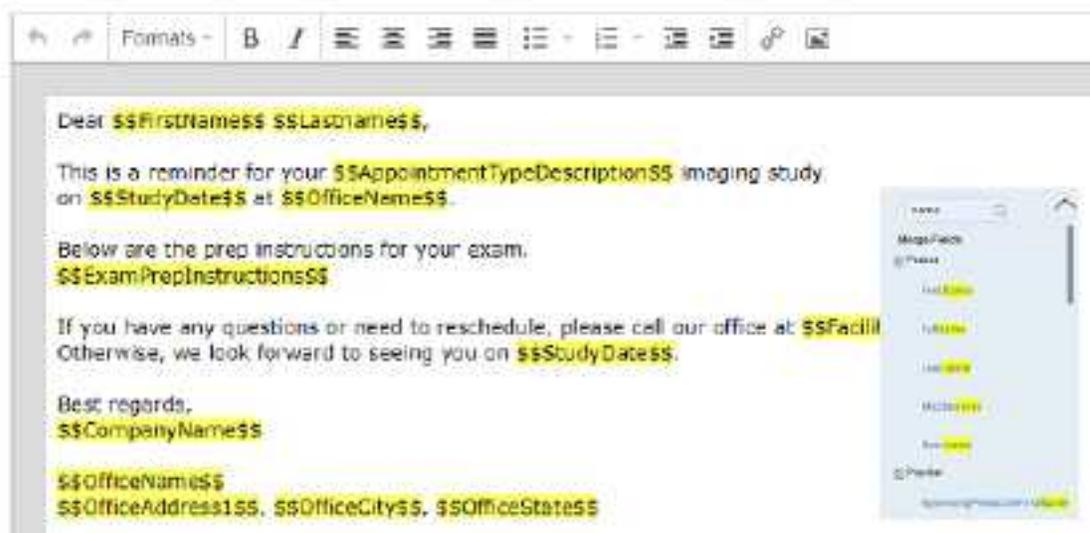
5. To automatically insert exam details into the email:

   a. In the right pane, in the **Search here** box, type a category of information (e.g. `Patient`).

      Note: Category searches are case-sensitive.

   b. In the resultant **Merge Fields** list, select a merge field group (e.g. **Patient**).

   c. Double-click a merge field to add it (e.g. FirstName).

6. Select **SAVE**.

See also:

About email templates and notification templates

Set up emailing of exam results

By completing the following tasks, Exa PACS/RIS automatically sends exam results and reports to the referring provider locations/contacts you modify.

Prerequisite:

Administrators must configure the company's email server (see General settings).

Tasks:

- Configure an email template.

- Add a facility, and configure all email- and fax-related settings.

- If you want to email a provider group or location, Add a provider group or location.

- Configure a referring provider location/contact, including the **email address**, **fax numbers**, and options under **Reports to Me** (see Add a resource).

See also:

About email templates and notification templates

Configure a notification template

Follow the steps in this topic to configure a notification template. To use the template to auto-send status change emails or faxes, see Set up sending of notifications.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **General** > **NOTIFICATION TEMPLATES**.

2. Select **ADD**.

3. Enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Template Name	Type a name for the template.
Subject	Type text to appear on the email's Subject line.
Market	Select the market for which the template is available. All facilities associated with the select market become selected in the Facilities list.
Facilities	Select the facilities to whose studies the template applies.

4. Use the word processing tools to compose the template.

5. To automatically insert exam details into the notification:

   a. In the right pane, in the **Search here** box, type a category of information (e.g. `Patient`).

      Note: Category searches are case-sensitive.

   b. In the resultant **Merge Fields** list, select a merge field group (e.g. **Patient**).

   c. Double-click a merge field to add it (e.g. Fullname).

6. Select **SAVE**.

See also:

About email templates and notification templates
Merge fields

Set up sending of notifications

By completing the following tasks, Exa PACS/RIS automatically sends status change email notifications to the referring provider locations/contacts you modify.

Prerequisite:

Administrators must configure the company's email server (see General settings).

Tasks:

- Configure a notification template.

- For each status of which you want to auto-send notification, select the notification template under "Notification Settings" (see Configure study statuses).

- Configure a referring provider location/contact, and select the location/contact's **Email/Fax** and/or **Receive When Added as a CC Provider** checkboxes (see Add a resource).

See also:

About email templates and notification templates

Create fax cover sheets

You can create a cover sheet to automatically attach to faxes. You can create one cover sheet for each facility. To create a cover sheet:

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **General** > **COVER SHEETS** tab, select **ADD**.

2. Type a name for your cover sheet, select the facility where the cover sheet will be available, and then select **SAVE**.

3. Use the word processing tools create your cover sheet, and then select **SAVE**.

4. Select **SAVE & CLOSE**.

Work with the report queue

You can open a report queue that shows reports that you previously generated or that are currently in process. You can resend (reprocess) individual reports, or reprocess them in batches.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **General** > **REPORT QUEUE**.
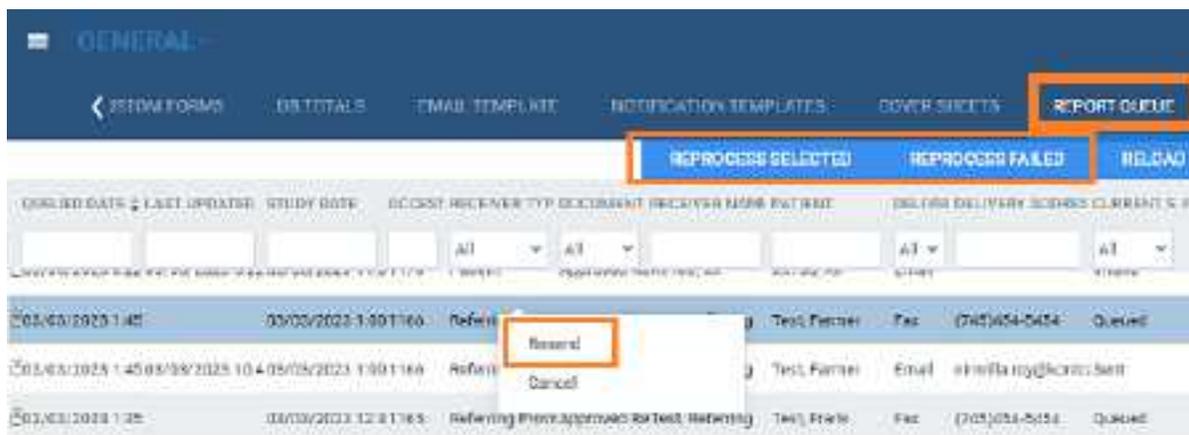
2. To resend a report, right-click it in the list and then select **Resend**.

3. To resend a batch of reports, at the top of the list, select **REPROCESS SELECTED** or **REPROCESS FAILED**.

4. To resend a report automatically at a later time, right-click it in the list and then select **Requeue**.

View logs

To view the various logs that are available in Exa PACS/RIS, do the following.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Log**.

2. Select tabs (AUDIT LOG, USER LOG, etc.) to view different logs.
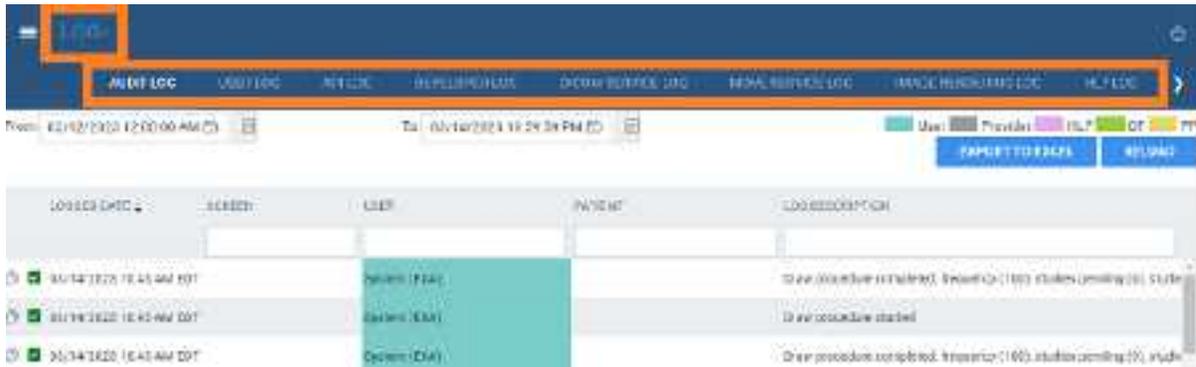
3. Double-click entries to view details.

Work with the hamburger menu

The hamburger (burger) menu is the main menu of the program. To open it, select the burger menu button circled in red in the following figure. Some of the options in the figure may not be available depending on your product and configuration.
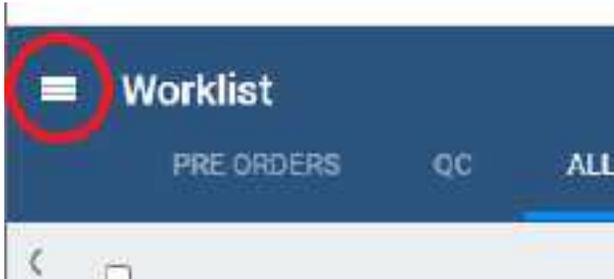
The burger menu button...   **...and menu (your options may vary)**

Work with the dashboard

What is the Dashboard?

The Dashboard is a page that displays gadgets, which contain information in graph, table, and other formats to help you understand the status of work at your facility. The Dashboard is separate from the Dispatching Dashboard, which is dedicated to scheduling mobile exams.

See also:

Work in the dispatching dashboard

Open the dashboard

- On the burger ▤ menu, select **DASHBOARD**.

Add or remove gadgets from the dashboard

The dashboard displays an array of user-customizable *gadgets*, and a gadget with a button for adding more gadgets.

Procedure

1. To remove a gadget, select its remove ✖ button.

2. To add a gadget, find the **Add Gadget** gadget and select the add ⊕ button.

3. In the list of gadget types, select a type.

Change the graph type of a gadget

You can select a graph type of bar, column, line, or pie.

Procedure

1. On a gadget, select the graph 📊 button.

2. In the button shortcut menu, select a type.

Change the facility of a graph

You can change the source facility of the graph in a gadget. The available facilities are ones that you set up in advance in Exa PACS/RIS.

Procedure

1. On a gadget, select the facility 🖫 button.

2. In the button shortcut menu, select a facility or select **All Facilities**.

Change the date range of a graph

You can change the date range of the data source of the graph in a gadget.

Procedure

1. On a gadget, select the date range ▦ button.

2. In the button shortcut menu, select a date range and then select **Apply**.

Work with the worklist

The worklist is the starting point for most operations in Exa PACS/RIS. The worklist is a searchable and highly customizable list of patients, studies, and series, providing full access to demographics and images.

Procedure

1. Go to burger menu ![burger menu icon] > WORKLIST.
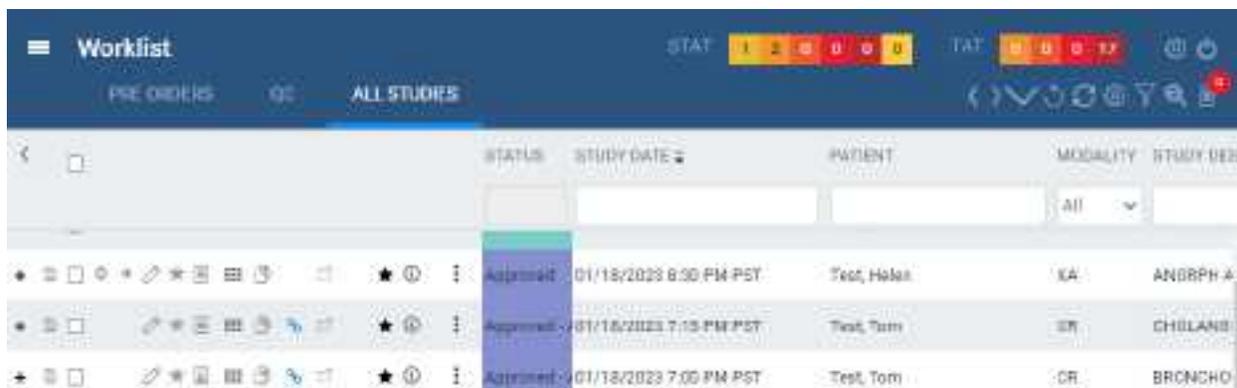
See also:

Worklist settings

Use the worklist

User settings

Viewer settings

PACS Actions menu

Worklist shortcut menus

Worklist settings

About toolbars and elements in the worklist

The worklist provides the following toolbars and other items. Notice that there is a settings menu [icon] button in both the upper and lower toolbar, but they open different menus.

Upper toolbar

The upper toolbar contains the following elements, from left to right.

1	Tasks	Shows the number of tasks by urgency. Select to jump to the Tasks list.
2	STAT meter	Shows the number of studies at each STAT (urgency) level.
3	TAT meter	Shows the number of studies at each TAT (turnaround time).
4	Settings	Opens the settings menu.
5	Log off	Logs off the current user.

Lower toolbar

The lower toolbar contains the following elements.

1	Move tabs left/right	Left/right justifies the worklist filter tabs.
2	Filter menu	Select from any available filter tab.
3	Refresh	Updates the worklist, but keeps manually entered filters.
4	Refresh all	Updates the worklist, clearing all filters.
5	PACS Actions	Opens the PACS Actions menu.
6	Filters	Opens the Study Filters dialog.
7	Search tools	Shows/hides the search bar.
8	Disagreements	Opens the disagreements queue (requires a separate license for Advanced Peer Review).

Filters
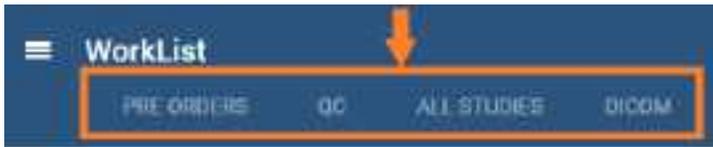
Filter tabs (figure above) appear on the left side of the worklist by their labels. The Exceeds Maximum Time Limit filter (figure below) appears at the bottom of the worklist.
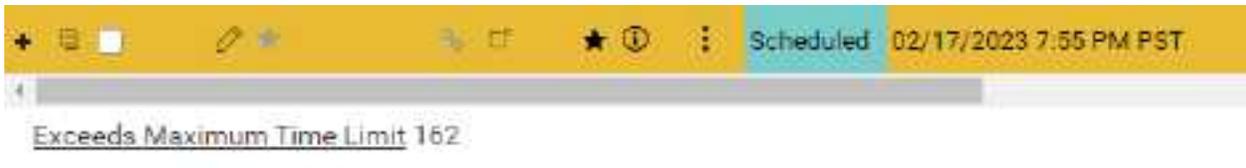
The following table describes the four types of filter tab (filters) that are available in the worklist.

Type	Name	Description
Optional (Can be hidden)	**PRE ORDERS**	Lists unscheduled orders. Pre orders often have no referring physician, and come from the patient portal (such as exams requested by the patient).
	QC	Lists studies needing reconciliation.
Permanent (Cannot be hidden)	**ALL STUDIES**	Lists all DICOM studies and scheduled RIS orders that are not currently on the QC tab.
User Filters (Can be hidden)	[user defined]	Provide a highly customized view of the worklist.
Temporary	**Exceeds Maximum Time Limit**	When you select the Exceeds Maximum Time Limit link at the bottom of the worklist, this tab opens and lists relevant studies. Select the pushpin button on the tab to display a dialog with options, including "Remove."

Display a filter of the worklist

You can display optional filters (such as PRE ORDERS or QC) in the following two ways. To display user filters, you can use these steps if the filter was configured to appear as a tab or in the tabs list.

Procedure

1. On the worklist, in the filter bar, select a tab to display the filter.

2. In the lower toolbar, select the **Show all Tabs by list** ⌄ button, and then select a filter.

Create a user worklist filter

Exa PACS/RIS comes with the PRE ORDERS, QC, and other filters, but you can also create your own filters to customize the worklist at a high level of precision.

Procedure

1. On the worklist lower toolbar, select the filter ▼ button.

2. In the **Study Filter** dialog, select **ADD.**

3. Enter the following criteria. See an **example** below the table.

Setting	Description
Filter Name	Type a name for the filter
Show Encounters Only	Shows only studies for outpatient encounters.
Joined Filters	Selects another filter to combine with the current filter. Studies must meet the criteria in both filters to appear in the worklist.
Filter Order	Determines the order in which filters appear as tabs or list items, from low to high.
Is Private	Restricts availability of the filter to the user who created it.
Display as a Tab	Shows the tab for the filter on the worklist.
Display in Dropdown	Shows the filter in the Show Tabs by List list on the worklist.
Show Only Exceeding Max Time	Shows only studies that are exceeding their max time as specified in "Configure study statuses."
Show DICOM Studies Only	Shows only DICOM studies (studies containing images).
Show RIS Orders Only	Shows only RIS orders.
Show Assigned Studies Only	Shows only studies that were assigned to the current user.
Show Pre-Orders Only	Shows only preorders.
Deleted	Shows all (deleted and non-deleted) studies, no deleted studies, or only deleted studies.
Assign	Available when you select Is Private. Administrators can use these settings to assign the filter to specific users or user groups.
Default Column/Sort By	Sorts the worklist by the column and order that you select.
DATE/TIME	Filters studies by a range of dates and times.
PATIENT INFORMATION	Filters studies by patient or account number.

Setting	Description
STUDY INFORMATION	Filters studies by institution, facility, modality, body part, and other categories.
RESOURCE	Filters studies by physician or attorney.
INSURANCE	Filters studies by insurance provider.

Note: When available, you can use the **Is** operator and **Blank** criteria to search for studies that are missing information. For example, in the **INSURANCE** category, under **Insurance Provider**, select **Is**, and then select **Blank** to search for studies with no insurance.

Example

The settings in the figure below define a filter with the following properties:

- Appears as the **first** available user filter
- Is **Private** (only available to the user who created it)
- Appears as a **tab** on the worklist
- Appears as a **menu** option in the list of filters
- Shows only **DICOM studies**
- Is only available to users of type **Radiologist**
- Only displays studies in **Unread** status.
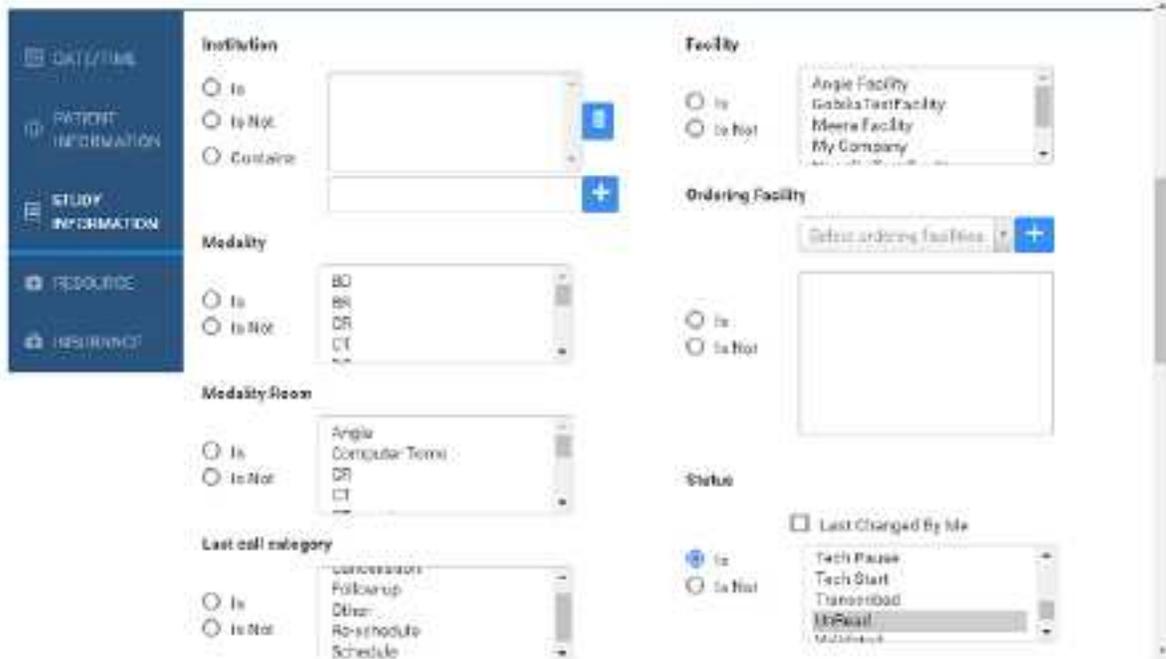
4. Select **SAVE.**

Edit or delete a worklist filter

You can edit or delete a filter that you created.

Procedure

1. On the worklist <u>lower toolbar</u>, select the filter ▽ button.

2. Select the edit ✎ or delete 🗑 button of the filter to delete.

Show or hide a worklist filter

You can show filters as tabs on the worklist, as items in the filter menu, as both, or as neither (you can hide them for later use without deleting them).

Procedure

1. On the worklist, on the lower toolbar, select the filter 🔽 button.

2. In the **Study Filter** dialog, double-click the filter to show or hide.

3. In the second **Study Filter** dialog, select or clear the **Display as a Tab** checkbox and the **Display in Dropdown** checkbox.

Select a quick filter of the pre orders tab

At the bottom of the PRE ORDERS tab, you can select from the following checkboxes to quickly filter the list of preorders.
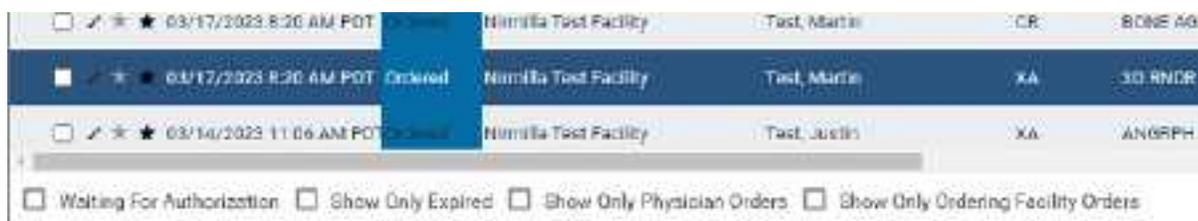
Quick Filter Checkbox	Description
Waiting for Authorization	Shows only unauthorized preorders.
Show Only Expired	Shows only preorders that are past the authorization date.
Show Only Physician Orders	Show only preorders created from Referring Provider Portal.
Show Only Ordering Facility Orders	Show only preorders created from the ordering facility portal.

User settings

User settings (from the worklist) control how the worklist appears and functions when the user who configured them signs in. User settings override global settings, except for security settings.

Configure worklist columns

You can show, hide, and order columns in the worklist.

Procedure

1. Go to Worklist > **Settings** > User Settings.
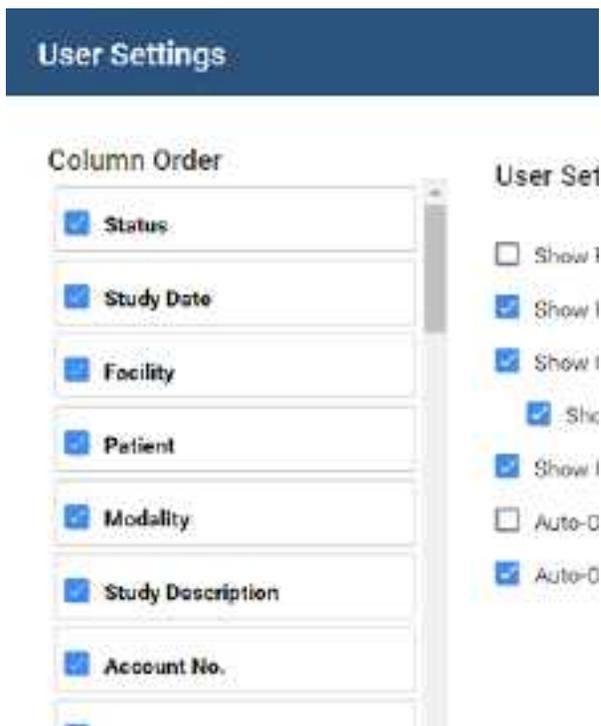
2. Do one or more of the following.

   - To show or hide a column, select or clear its checkbox.

   - To reorder a column, drag the column to a new position in the list.

   Note: You can also drag columns directly on the worklist.

3. Select **SAVE.**

Configure other user settings

You can configure a variety of behaviors and settings for worklist tabs, columns and rows, and other user settings.

Procedure

1. Go to Worklist > **Settings** > User Settings.

2. Enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Show Row Number	Select to display the row number column in the worklist. The column is labeled as "#" or "No."
Show Priors	Select to show prior studies on the worklist, or clear to show series and images instead. Whether you choose to show priors or series, you can view them by selecting the expand ✚ or collapse ▬ button in a study row.
Show QC	Select to show the QC tab, and select the Show Completed in Pending List checkbox to show include completed orders in the QC tab.
Show Orders Tab	Select to show the PRE ORDERS tab in the worklist.
Show Recent Studies	Select to show the RECENT STUDIES tab in the worklist. This filter contains the 25 most recent studies that were opened in the viewer.

Setting	Description
Auto-Open New Order	Select to automatically open the Edit Study screen after selecting the CREATE ORDER button (Exa PACS/RIS only).
Auto-Open Appointment Confirmation	Select to automatically open the appointment confirmation screen after selecting the CREATE ORDER button (Exa PACS/RIS only). This screen provides a convenient summary to read to the patient on the phone, or to send as an email.
Double-Click Behavior	The view or app in which a study appears when double-clicking a row, unless the study is scheduled.
Double-Click (Scheduled)	The view in which a scheduled study appears when you double-click it.
Default Tab	The default tab for the worklist.
Default Filter (Local Cache)	The default filter for the worklist.
Default Column	The default column for the worklist that determines the sort.
Sort By	Whether the list is sorted in ascending or descending order.
Audio Player Lag Time	The amount of delay before starting audio playback.
Auto Open Priors	Turns automatic opening of priors in the viewer on and off.
Open Prior Reports	Automatically opens prior reports when opening a study.
Voice recognition	When opening a DICOM study in the Exa PACS/RIS viewer: **Dragon** (Exa Trans): Opens Dragon Naturally Speaking for radiologist transcriptions rather than Exa Dictation. You must install Exa Trans on the local workstation to use this option. **Dictation** (Web Trans): Opens Exa Dictation. **Off** (None): Does not open a voice recognition tool. **nVoq** (Exa Trans): Opens Exa Trans with nVoq voice recognition.
Delay Load of Exa Trans	Delays loading of the Exa Trans transcription screen, to focus attention on images before the transcription.
Exa Trans Font	Sets the font used by Exa Trans.
Exa Trans Font Size	Sets the font size used by Exa Trans.
Default Time Increment	Sets the default time increment for time blocks in the schedule book.

3. Select **SAVE.**

Viewer settings

See Configure the viewer.

Local service settings

See Install local cache in the appendix.

Use the worklist

Find preorders and studies

You can find a study and open it to view or edit details.

Procedure

1. On the Worklist, select **PRE ORDERS** or **ALL STUDIES**.
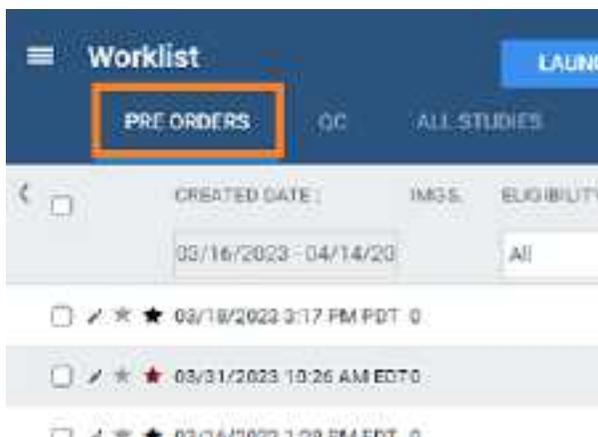
2. In the search bar, do one or both of the following:

   - In a column header (such as **FACILITY**), type or select one or more criteria and press **Enter**.

   - Select a column header to sort the list.

3. Double-click a study in the list to open it for viewing or editing.

See also:

Search syntax
View approved reports

View series and images

You can view series and images of any study in the worklist that includes them.

Procedure

1. In User Settings, clear the **Show Priors** checkbox and select **SAVE**.

2. In the worklist, find a study containing images and select its expand ✚ button.
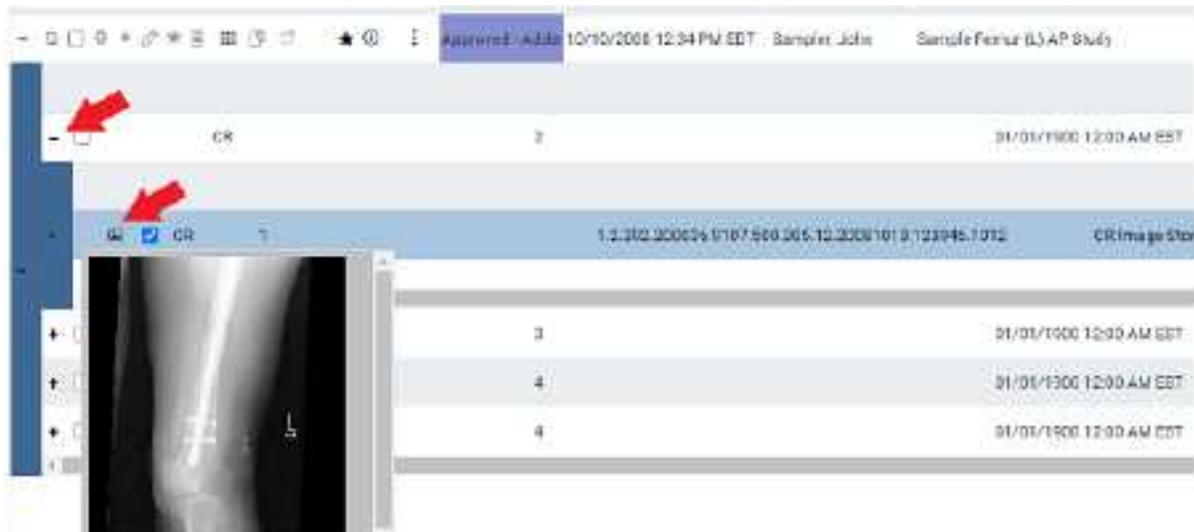
3. Expand series rows by selecting the ✚ button.

4. To view a thumbnail of an image, select the 🖼 button.

   Note: To view an image thumbnail, the status must be Incomplete or Unread.

5. To open series and images in the viewer, double-click the main study.

View priors

You can view the prior studies of any study in the worklist that includes them.

Procedure

1. In <u>User Settings</u>, select the **Show Priors** checkbox and select **SAVE**.

2. In the worklist, find a study and select its expand ➕ button.

Result: The priors appear in rows below the study row.

See also:

<u>View approved reports</u>

View recent studies

You can view a worklist filter tab containing the 25 studies that were most recently opened in the viewer. This makes it easy to find studies you viewed recently and want to reopen. Most standard worklist functions are available to you on the Recent Studies tab, but see "Details" below for exceptions.

Procedure

1. In <u>User Settings</u>, select the **Show Recent Studies** checkbox and select **SAVE**.
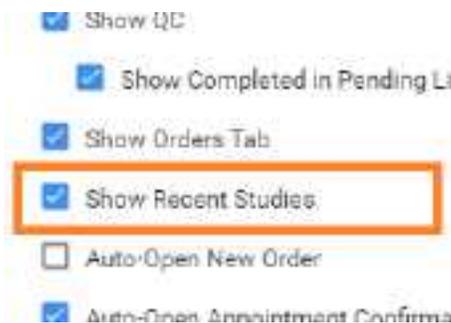
2. In the worklist, select the **RECENT STUDIES** worklist filter.
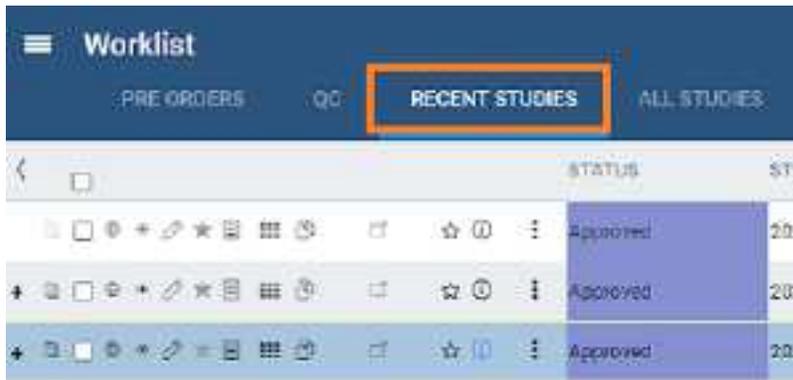
Details

The Recent Studies tab works like the All Studies tab except:

- You can't sort it (it's automatically sorted in first-in-first-out (FIFO) order by date/time of viewing).

- Priors opened during a viewer session do not appear on this tab, but priors originally opened from the worklist do.

- Stat level has no effect on the sorting of the list.

- The program creates a unique recent studies tab for each user.

- If you open a study from the worklist more than once, only one entry appears on the recent studies tab.

Open a pop-up window for physicians and ordering facilities

From the worklist, you can open a pop-up window to display the contact information of a study's physician or ordering facility.

Procedure

1. On the Worklist, in the **REFERRING PHYSICIAN** or **ORDERING FACILITY** column, select the doctor 👤 symbol.
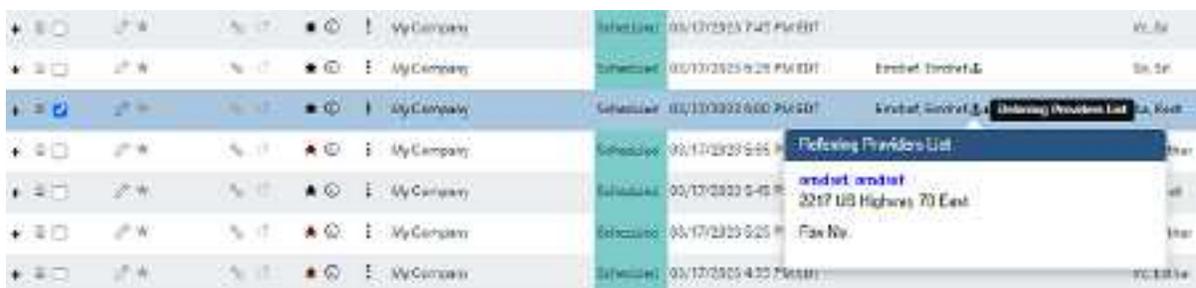
Use the study toolbar buttons

Each study on the ALL STUDIES tab or corresponding user filters of the worklist has its own toolbar on the left side of the study row. Depending on the properties of the study, one or more of the following tools are available.

Tool	Name	Description
+ / −	Expand/Collapse	Expands or collapses the study row to show or hide series or priors.
	Prior	Select to display a list of prior studies in a custom filter.
	Checkbox	Select to select the study for further processing by commands in the PACS Actions menu.
	DICOM Viewer	Open the study in the Exa PACS viewer. This button is only available for studies that contain images.
	Opal Viewer	Open the study in the Opal viewer (see Install Opal Viewer). This button is only available for studies that contain images.
	Edit	Opens the study for editing in the Edit Study screen.
	VIP	If solid green, the study is conducted on a VIP.
	View Transcription	Opens the dictation and transcription editor.
	Multipanel	Opens the study in the multipanel, an operating panel for working with dictation, transcription, documents, notes, and other information.
	Approved Report	Opens approved reports of the study.
	Linked Studies	Opens the Link Studies dialog where you can link approved reports.
	External app.	Opens the current study in an external application if configured.
	Authorization	Red ★ star: Select to manually authorize. Green ★ star: All insurance levels (primary, secondary, tertiary) that require authorization have been authorized. Gray star: No authorization is needed.
	Unread DICOMs	Select to view unread images. In the Unread DICOMs dialog, select MARK AS READ, or OPEN IN VIEWER to read the images in the Exa PACS/RIS viewer.
	Notes	Opens a screen for entering and viewing notes related to patient, study, schedule, and reason for study, and for updating the call log. The button turns blue if study notes are available.
	Study menu	Displays the study shortcut menu (you can also right-click anywhere on the study row to display the shortcut menu).

See also:

Work with the Exa PACS/RIS viewer

Edit study screen

About Linked Reporting

Dictation and transcription with WebTrans

Worklist shortcut menus

Configure opening of a third-party program

About VIPs

Manually authorize an exam

Use the order toolbar buttons

Each order on the PRE ORDER tab or corresponding user filters of the worklist has its own toolbar on the left side of the order row. Depending on the properties of the order, one or more of the following tools are available.

Tool	Name	Description
☐	Select	Select to select the order for deletion.
✏	Edit	Select to open the order in the Edit Order screen.
★	VIP	If solid green, the study is conducted on a VIP.
★	Authorization	Red ★ star: Select to manually authorize. Green ★ star: All insurance levels (primary, secondary, tertiary) that require authorization have been authorized. Black star: No authorization is needed.

See also:

Manually authorize an exam
About VIPs

About Linked Reporting

With *Linked Reporting*, radiologists can save time by dictating multiple related studies into a single report. When the report is approved, all of the linked studies move to the Approved status automatically. When you open an approved report from any of the linked studies (studies 1, 2, or 3 in the figure below), you see the same combined report so that all information is available to you regardless of the study or report you open.

Linking reports also links the studies containing those reports, so that all studies follow the main study in terms of STAT levels, study statuses, and report approval statuses. For example, if the main report moves

to the Dictated status, so do its linked reports. If you later decide to unlink a report, those statuses revert to their previous states (with exceptions, see [Details on Linked Reporting](#)).
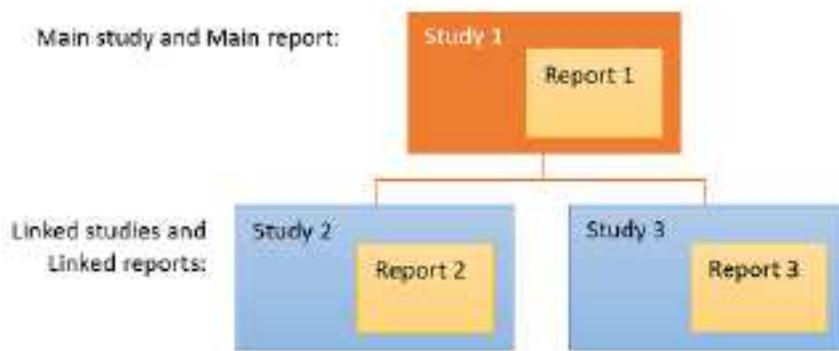
Once linked, Reports 1, 2, and 3 become one combined report

Note

- You can link reports any time before approval.
- You can unlink reports at any time.
- You cannot link a report that is already approved.
- If an addendum is added to a linked report, it applies to all linked studies, and is available for viewing from any linked study.

What do linked reports look like?

Based on the merge fields you include in your report templates, Exa PACS/RIS automatically fills the **header** with information about the main report and its linked reports. (Due to space constraints, some fields only display information from the main report, such as the referring physician.)

The **body** of the report contains the radiologist's findings for the main study and all linked studies.

Approved reports always appear based on the transcription template of the main study, even if the linked studies originally used different transcription templates.

An example of a linked report:

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Accession numbers
of linked studies

Patient Name: N▇▇▇▇▇▇
Date of Birth: 04-▇▇▇▇▇▇
Patient ID: NC1577
Study Date: 07-Feb-2023 2:00
PM,02/07/2023

Referring Physician: Reicher, Joshua M.D.
Phone: (650)493-5000
Fax: (919)589-5574
Accession: 5629,5630,5631

XR Ribs, 2 Views (Left),XR Thoracic Spine, 2 Views,XR Lumbar Spine, 2-3 View

Indications: Left rib pain radiating to mid and lower back. No known trauma.

Study descriptions of
linked studies

Comparisons: None available at time of report.

Technique: Two-view radiographs of the left ribs, thoracic spine and lumbar spine obtained in the AP and lateral position

Findings:

Left ribs: Multiple radiographic views of the ribs fail to reveal evidence for displaced fracture, dislocation or focal soft tissue pathology. Images are less than ideal and if there is further concern a bone scan might be considered.

Thoracic spine: No evidence for acute fracture, dislocation or focal soft tissue abnormality. There is diffuse thoracic disc degeneration and spondylosis.

Lumbar spine: There is diffuse degenerative disc disease without evidence for fracture or dislocation. There is lumbar scoliosis.

Impressions:

1. Diffuse thoracic disc degeneration and spondylosis.
2. Diffuse degenerative disc disease with levoscoliosis in the lumbar spine.
3. No evidence of a displaced fracture in the left ribs. Recommend a bone scan for follow up.
4. No acute fracture in the lumbar or thoracic spine.

Link reports

To link reports:

Prerequisite: Obtain the Link Report user right from your administrator.

Procedure

1. On the worklist, find a study that is available for linking, and select the gray link button.

2. In the **Link Studies** dialog, select the studies whose reports you want to link to the main report.
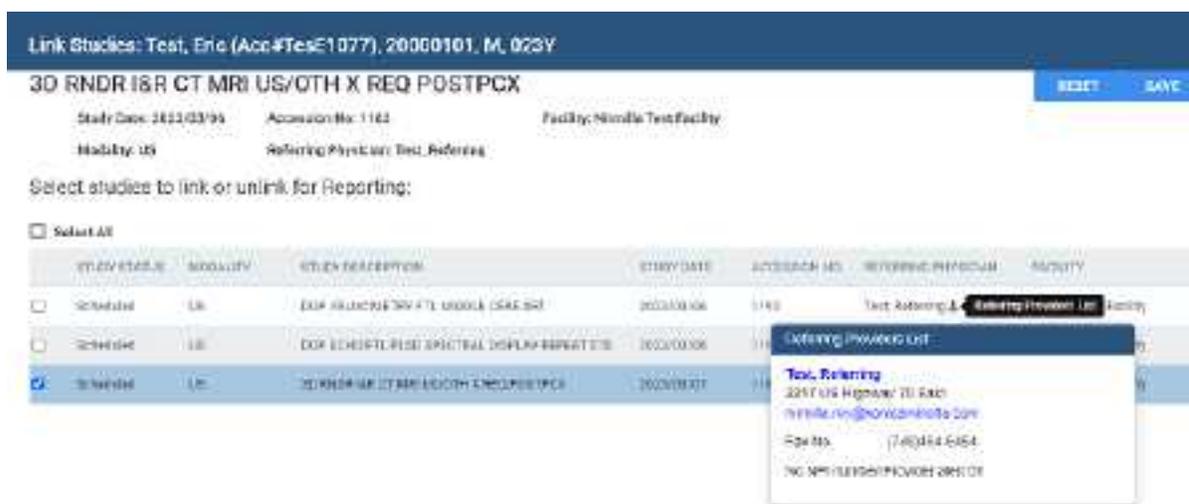
3. Optional: Click the physician 👥 symbol to display details, and click the physician's name in the pop-up window to edit properties.

4. Select **SAVE**.

   Result: The reports and studies are now linked.

See also:

About Linked Reporting
Unlink a report
View approved reports
Details on Linked Reporting

Unlink a report

To unlink a report:

Prerequisite: Obtain the Unlink Report user right from your administrator.

Procedure

1. In the worklist, find a main or linked study (studies with the blue **Linked Studies** button), and select the button.

   Result: Whether you chose a main or linked study, the **Link Studies** dialog opens with the main study shown at the top with its linked studies listed below it.

2. In the **Link Studies** dialog, clear the checkboxes of the studies whose reports you want to unlink from the main report.

3. Select **SAVE**.

See also:

About Linked Reporting
Link reports
Details on Linked Reporting

Authorize an exam

When you configure authorization rules (see Add authorization rules) Exa PACS/RIS automatically labels exams on the worklist with these "authorization stars:"

⭐ (Black) No authorization

⭐ (Light red) Denied authorization

⭐ (Dark red) Authorization needed

⭐ (Orange) Reauthorization needed

⭐ (Yellow) Pending authorization

⭐ (Green) Authorized

When you receive an authorization number from the insurance provider you can authorize the study, either from the worklist or from the Edit Study screen. When doing so, you specify under which insurance policy the exam was authorized by selecting the insurance **level** (primary, secondary, or tertiary insurance policy).

Authorize from the worklist

1. On the worklist study row, select the dark red ⭐ orange ⭐ or yellow ⭐ star.

   Result: The Manual Authorization screen opens to the CURRENT AUTHORIZATION tab.

2. Select the edit ✏ button of a study to authorize.

3. Fill in the remaining options with information from the insurance provider.

4. Select one of the following buttons to finalize (available buttons differ depending on current status):

AUTHORIZE - Authorize, and save the authorization number

RESET - Reset the authorization status to **Authorization needed** (dark red star ★)

PENDING - Place the exam in **Pending authorization** status (yellow star ★)

DENIED - Place the exam in **Denied status** (light red star ⭐)

5. Optional. Select **Eligibility/Estimation**, and then follow steps in the following topics to verify eligibility and estimate insurance coverage. (Available with Eligibility user rights.)

Authorize from the Edit Study screen

1. Go to Worklist > Edit Study screen > **INSURANCE PROFILE.**

2. Open the insurance level to authorize, and under **Authorization**, enter the settings as needed.

Authorization	
Study CPT	Select the CPT of the patient's study needing authorization.
Referral Number	Type the referral number of the study needing authorization.
Notes / Reason	Type notes and reasons for the study needing authorization.
Authorization No.	When authorized, type the authorization number.
Expiration / Effective / Issue Date	Select authorization dates.
Accident Date	Select the date of the accident, if applicable.
Accident Type	Select the type of accident.
Accident State	Select the state or province in which the accident occurred.

3. Select an authorization status button (**AUTHORIZE**, **PENDING**, or **DENIED**).

What if an authorized exam changes before the appointment?

If you need to make certain changes to an exam, Exa PACS/RIS helps you manage its authorizations. See the following topics.

Authorize from the Edit Order screen

1. On the worklist, open the study or order to authorize in the Edit Study screen.

2. On the **EXAM INFORMATION** tab, select the **ORDER** sub-tab.

3. At the bottom of the screen, select the order's authorization star.

4. Authorize the order as described earlier in "Authorize from the worklist."

See also:

What are authorization, verification, and estimation?
Add authorization rules
Verify eligibility of preorders and studies with PokitDok
Verify eligibility and estimate coverage with ImagineSoftware
Unauthorize an exam
View authorization history

Unauthorize an exam

If a previously authorized exam is no longer authorized, you can unauthorize the exam by deleting the original authorization.

Procedure

1. In the worklist, find an authorized study (green star), and then select the star.

2. In the **Manual Authorization** dialog, select the edit button of the exam to unauthorize, and then select **DELETE**.

See also:

What are authorization, verification, and estimation?
Manually authorize an exam

View authorization history

You can view a list of all authorization changes made to an exam.

1. In the worklist, select the authorization star (such as the green star) of a study.

2. In the Manual Authorization dialog, select the **HISTORICAL AUTHORIZATION** tab.

3. Optional: To view details of an authorization change in the list, select its edit ✏ button.

See also:

Authorize an exam
Unauthorize an exam

Update the worklist or viewer

After performing tasks that modify studies it may be necessary to update the worklist or viewer to show changes.

• To update the worklist or viewer, select **F5**.

About color highlighting on the worklist

When the globe ⊞ button for studies on the worklist is highlighted, this indicates the caching status as follows.

 Caching completed

 Caching in progress

 Some images could not be cached

About drawing attention to orders and studies

There are several methods to draw attention to orders and studies that are of special consideration. You can use different individual or combined methods to best meet your needs. The following gives a general description of the available options.

STAT level	The medical urgency. Setting a STAT level places the study at the top of the worklist. You can edit STAT levels and descriptions, and add new ones. STAT levels drive workflows.
TAT	The turnaround time. Studies that are near or beyond the TAT are flagged in red and appear at the top of a radiologist's unread studies worklist.
Priority	By default you can set the priority to High, Medium, and Low, but you can edit these and add more options. Priority is primarily used to sort the worklist (on the Priority column).
Critical findings	Medical findings that you can customize. In Exa Trans, you can select critical findings in a list to send notification to the referring physician.
Flag	With flags you can mark a study with a customized description that can serve as a filter. You can only assign one flag per study.

See also:

Assign critical findings to an order or study

Flag an order or study

Change the priority of an order

Assign critical findings to an order

Use local caching

Prerequisite: Install local cache.

Perform a server prefetch

You can manually initiate a server prefetch from the worklist, whereby the server decompresses a study and copies it to a "local" cache on the server. If large studies will be opened in the near future, you can perform a server prefetch of those studies for faster loading.

1. On a worklist study shortcut menu, select **Images** > **Server Prefetch**.
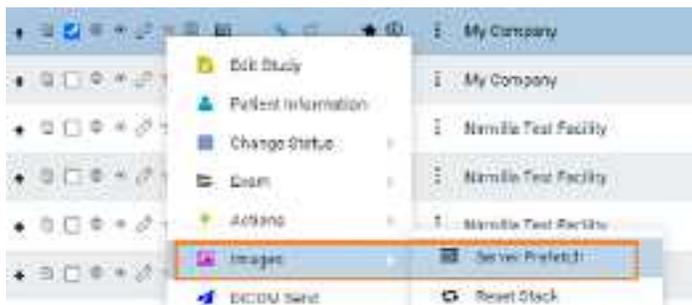
Prefetch studies to your local cache

You can manually prefetch studies "on demand."

1. On a worklist study shortcut menu, select **Images** > **Add to My Local Cache**.

Result: The server queues the images for sending.

Prefetch studies to other local caches

1. On the worklist, select the **ALL STUDIES** tab.

2. On a worklist study shortcut menu, select **Images** > **Send to Local Cache**.

3. In the **Local Cache** screen, in the list of available caches, select to the left of one or more destination caches.

4. Do one of the following.

   - To send to the selected caches, select **LOCAL CACHE SELECTED**.
   - To send to all caches, select **LOCAL CACHE ALL**.

Auto-route studies to local cache

You can create a routing rule to send studies that satisfy criteria to your local cache. Complete the following procedures:

   - Configure an application entity for your local cache.
   - Configure a routing rule for type **LOCAL_CACHE**, and select the AE title you created.

Use an on call worklist filter to locally cache studies

You can configure a worklist filter that sends matching studies to local cache.

1. Create a user worklist filter.

2. In User Settings, in the **Default Filter (Local Cache)** dropdown list, select the worklist filter.

3. Select **SAVE**.

4. On your computer, in a text editor, open the **localCache.cfg** file, located at the following path by default:

   C:\Viztek\exa\cfg\localCache.cfg

5. Find the line for "oncall_enabled" and set it as follows:

   ```
   "oncall_enabled": "true",
   ```

6. Save and close the file.

PACS Actions menu

The PACS Actions menu on the worklist provides top-level access to common functions.

Create a new study

To create a new study or create a new order (or to "enter a new study" or "enter a new order"), see the following topics.

See also:

A typical scheduling workflow
Schedule an unscheduled order
Schedule a walk-in appointment

Schedule walk-ins

See Schedule a walk-in appointment.

Burn studies, series, or images to a CD or hard drive

You can burn studies to a CD or hard drive for sharing with other facilities, physicians, or patients. To burn images and series, see later in this topic.

Prerequisite: Install Opal tools and Install Exa Client Viewer.

Burn studies

1. Place a CD in the drive.

2. In the worklist, select studies whose combined size does not exceed the capacity of the disc.

3. On the PACS Actions menu, select **CD Burn**.
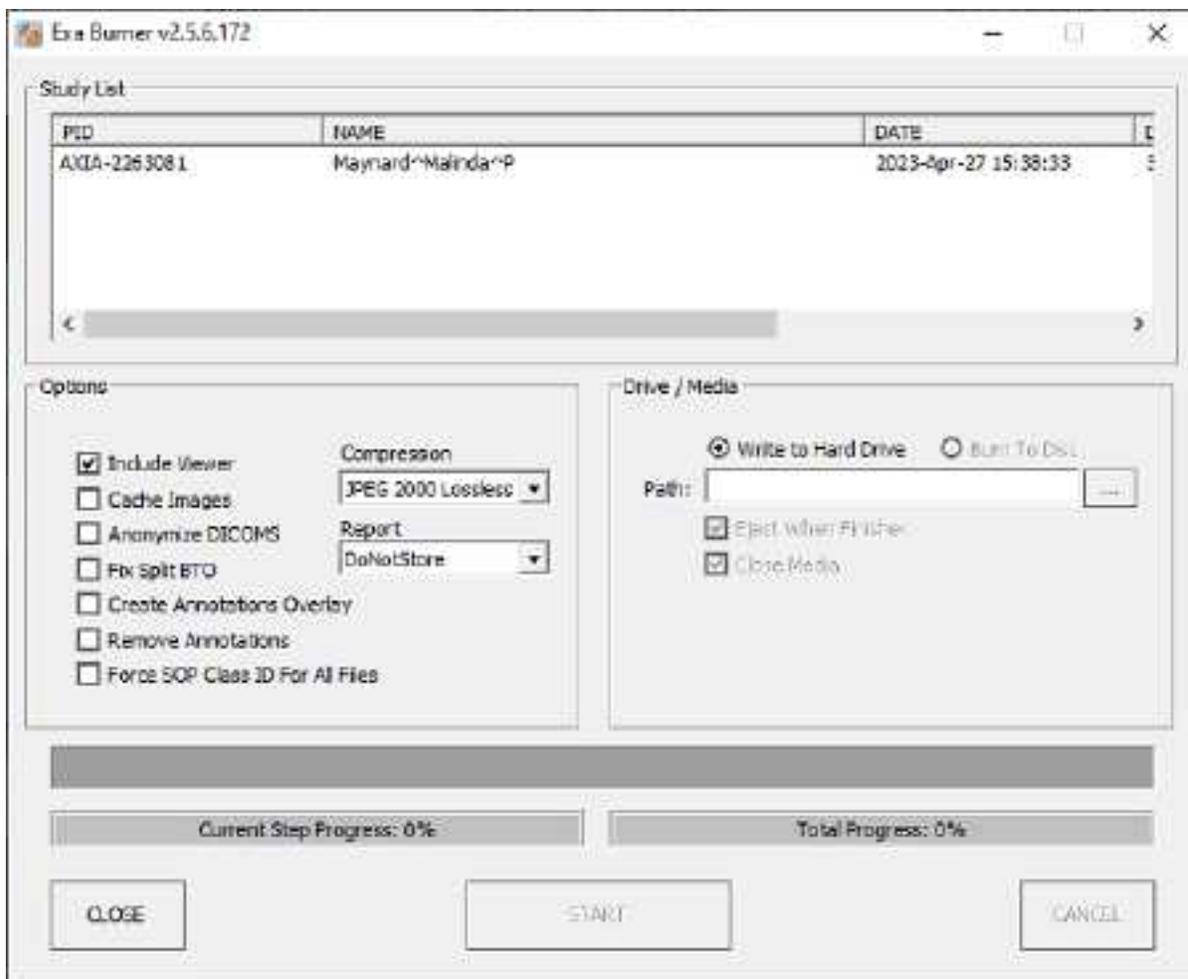
4. In the **Exa Burner** dialog, enter the following settings as needed.

Setting	Description
Include Viewer	Select to burn a viewer program onto the disc along with the items. Required for viewing off site.
Cache Images	Select to keep items in the Viewer cache folder (and not remove them after burning).
Anonymize DICOMs	Select to remove identifying patient demographics.
Fix Split BTO	Select to combine multi-frame mammograms into a single DICOM file.
Create Annotations Overlay	Select to convert annotations to an overlay and include them with the images.
Remove Annotations	Select to omit annotations from the burned items.
Force SOP Class ID for All Files	Select to set the Modality tag (0008, 0060) to the value in the DICOM file's SOP Class ID.
Compression	Select a compression algorithm.
Report	Select a report storing method.

Setting	Description
Write to Hard Drive Burn to Disc	Select whether to write to the hard disc or removable disc.
Path	Select the ellipsis button and then browse for and select a destination drive and/or path.
Eject When Finished	Select to eject the disc after burning.
Close Media	Select to finalize the media after burning so that it is no longer available for writing.

5. Select **START**.

6. Optional. After burning, test the results by opening an image from the CD using the included viewer.

Burn images and series

Use this procedure to burn individual images and/or series.

1. In User Settings, clear the **Show Priors** checkbox.

2. On the worklist, find images or series to burn by expanding the study row nodes and image preview buttons.
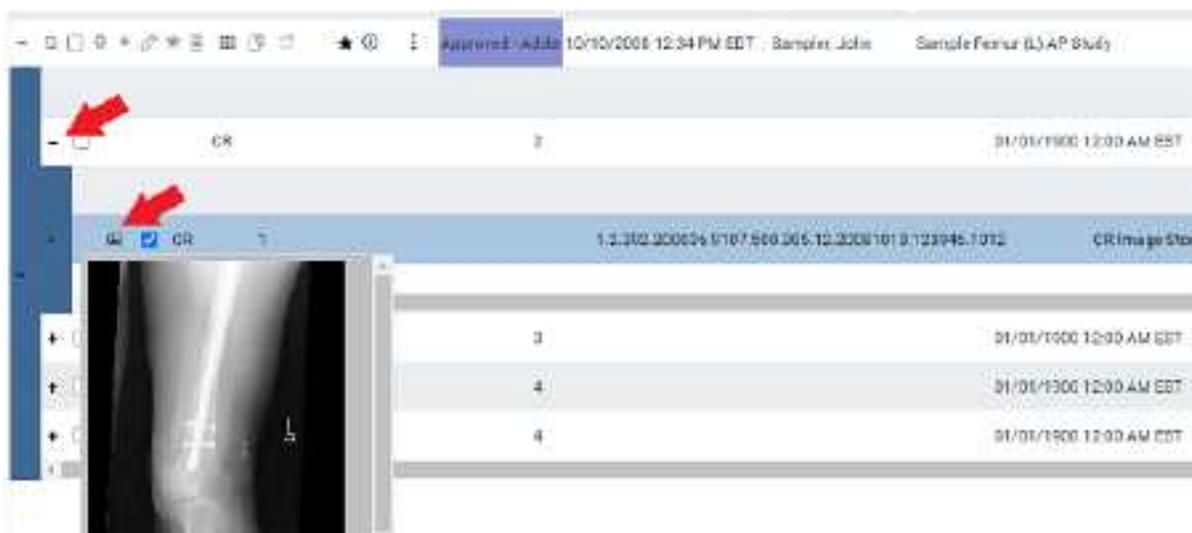
3. Select the checkboxes of the images and series.

4. On the PACS Actions menu, select **CD Burn**.

Compare studies

You can open two studies of the same patient in separate viewer screens for purposes of comparison.

Prerequisite: Configure two or more monitors (see Set up connected displays).

Procedure

1. In Viewer Settings, clear the **Single Instance Mode** checkbox.

2. In the worklist, select two DICOM studies of the same patient to compare.
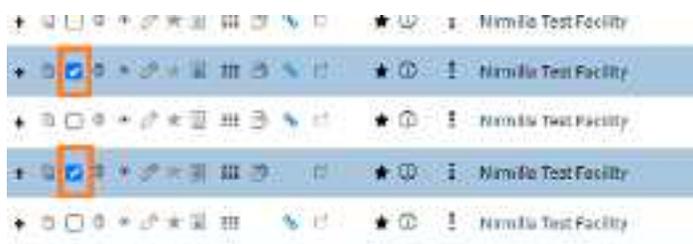
3. On the PACS Actions menu, select **Compare Study**.

   Result: The two studies open in the Exa PACS/RIS viewer.

Merge or split studies

In Exa PACS/RIS, *merge* and *split* refer to a category of operations in which you move series and images from one study to another. Additionally, *split* refers to moving images from a study with an incorrect accession number to the correct order. There are many ways to perform merge/split operations, but the following procedures are useful examples. Moving all series and images out of a study deletes the study. As an alternative to merging studies, see Use alternate account numbers.

Move or copy a series from one study to another study

1. In the worklist, select two different studies that contain series.
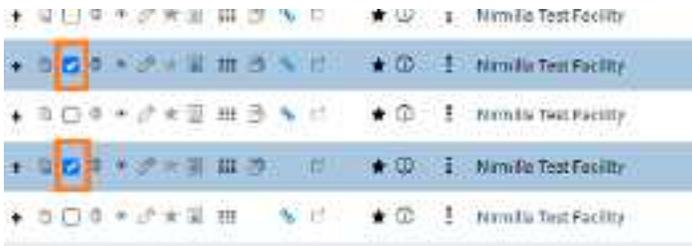
2. On the PACS Actions menu, select **Merge/Split.**

3. Select the button to choose **Move Selected** or **Copy Selected** mode.
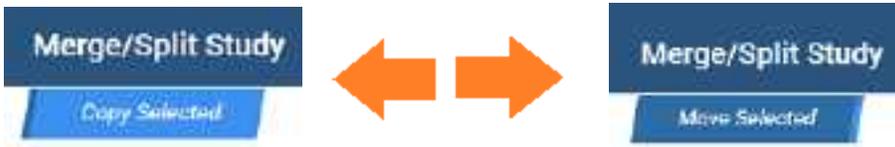
4. in the **Merge/Split From** column, select the plus sign of the *first* study (the one on top) to reveal its series.

5. Drag the series onto the *second* study (the one on the lower-right) in the **Merge/Split To** column.

Note: As you drag over the second study, it turns green to indicate when you can release the mouse button.

6. Select **SAVE CHANGES**.

Move or copy all images in one series to a series in another study

1. In the **Merge/Split To** column, select the plus sign of a study to reveal its series.

2. Drag a series in the left column onto a series in the right column.

3. Select **SAVE CHANGES**.

Other moves or copies

In the same manner, you can expand nodes and move or copy any study, series, or image to another study or series.

Split images into their correct order

1. In the **Merge/Split Stud**y screen, select **SELECT ORDER.**

2. Find the correct RIS order, and then select its **SELECT** button.

3. Drag the images to the correct order, and then select **SAVE CHANGES**.

Add a new series to a study

1. In the **Merge/Split To** column, select the new series ⌷ button.

   Note: The new series is added to the bottom of the list.

2. On the new series row, select the edit ✎ button.

3. In the **Edit Study Info**. dialog, type a description and then select the **EDIT** button.

   Note: You can move series or images into the new series.

4. Select **SAVE CHANGES**.

Clone a study

1. In the **Merge/Split From** column, select the Clone Study ⎙ button.

   Note: You can move series or images into or out of the new study.

2. Select **SAVE CHANGES**.

See also:

Add studies to the merge queue

About the PID, MRN, and account numbers

Import DICOM images

You can import DICOM images to a study.

Prerequisite: Install Opal tools.

Procedure

1. In the worklist, select a study into which to import images.

2. On the PACS Actions menu, select **Import Images**.

3. In the pop-up window, select **Open Opal Import**.

4. In **OpalImport**, select **Select Files/Folder or DICOMDIR to Import**.
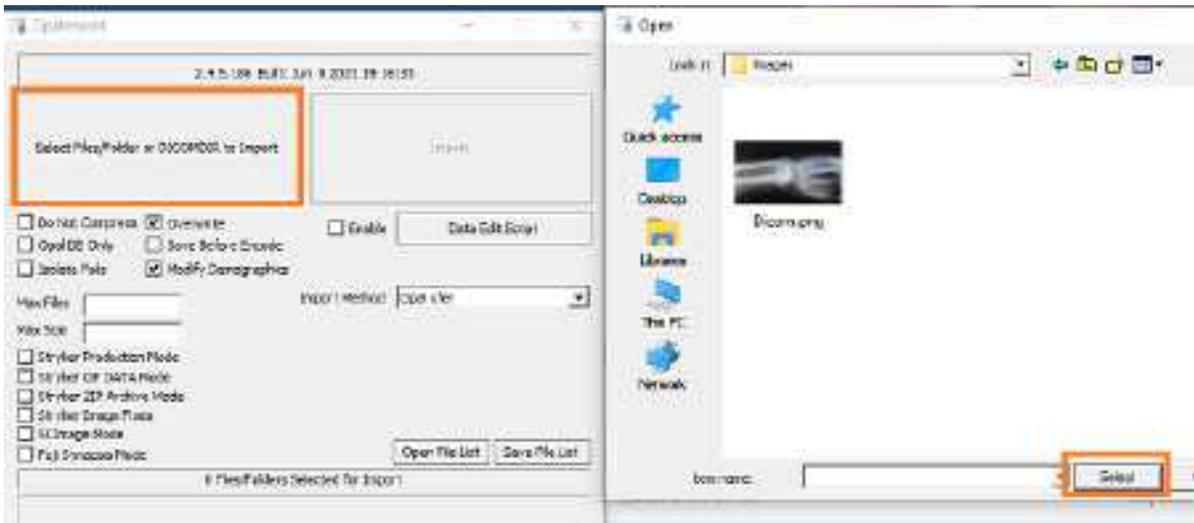
5. In the **Open** dialog, browse for and select files to import, and then select **Open**.

6. In **OpalImport**, configure the settings in the following table.

   Note: This is a partial list. Other settings are self-explanatory or generally unused.

Setting	Description
Do Not Compress	Select to store in DICOM Little Endian format. Clear to compress in DICOM JPEG200 Lossless format.
Overwrite	Select to replace any existing instances of the studies.
Opal DB Only	Select to import DICOM data only (no images).
Save before Encode	For troubleshooting purposes: Select to place the images in a folder on the server, and not update the database.

Setting	Description
Isolate Fails	Select to place files that could not be imported into a separate folder.
Modify Demographics	Select to reconcile demographics before import.
Max Files	Type a maximum number of files to import.
Max Size	Type a maximum data size to import.

7. Select **Import**.

8. Optional. If you selected the Modify Demographics checkbox, the Modify/Confirm Demographics dialog appears. Do one of the following.

    * Under **New Info**, edit the demographics and then select **MODIFY**.
    * Under **New Info**, confirm that the demographics are correct, and then select **USE CURRENT**.

9. Select **Exit**.

Purge all deleted

See [Undelete or purge a deleted study](#).

Export the worklist

You can export the worklist to a CSV file.

Procedure

1. On the [PACS Actions](#) menu, select **Export Worklist**.
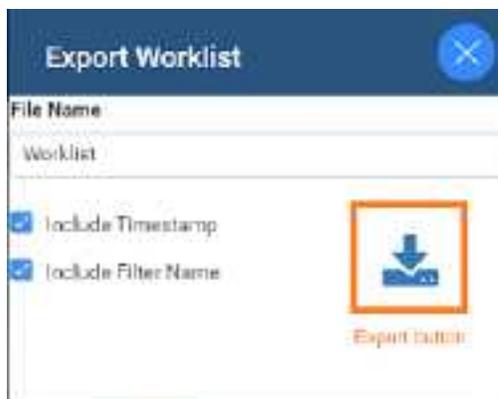
2. In the **Export Worklist** dialog:

    * Optional: In the **Filename** box, edit the default file name.
    * Modify the name of the exported file by selecting or clearing the **Include Timestamp** and **Include Filter Name** checkboxes.

Worklist shortcut menus

Exa PACS/RIS and Symmetry PACS have a study shortcut menu (for studies in the Unread and later statuses). Additionally, Exa PACS/RIS has an order shortcut menu (for PRE ORDERS and studies in the Ordered status). The tasks you can perform by using each shortcut menu are described in the topics in this section. Note that the commands available on the shortcut menus vary depending on the order or study status and other factors.

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Any errors in patient and study information resulting from incorrectly performing the procedures in this section can result in problems with data integrity. Take care to ensure that entered and imported data is correct.

Open a shortcut menu

You can open a worklist shortcut menu by right-clicking a study or order row. The shortcut menu's options differ depending on the status of the study or order.

Schedule an unscheduled order

If you previously entered an order (or a study with a status of "Ordered") without scheduling it, you can schedule it from the worklist.

Procedure

1. Worklist > **right-click an order** > **Schedule Appointment**.
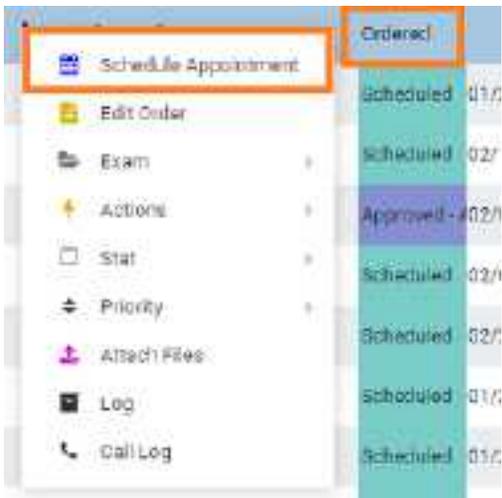
   Note: If messages appear, refer to related topics in this manual.

   Result: The modified Find Slots screen appears.

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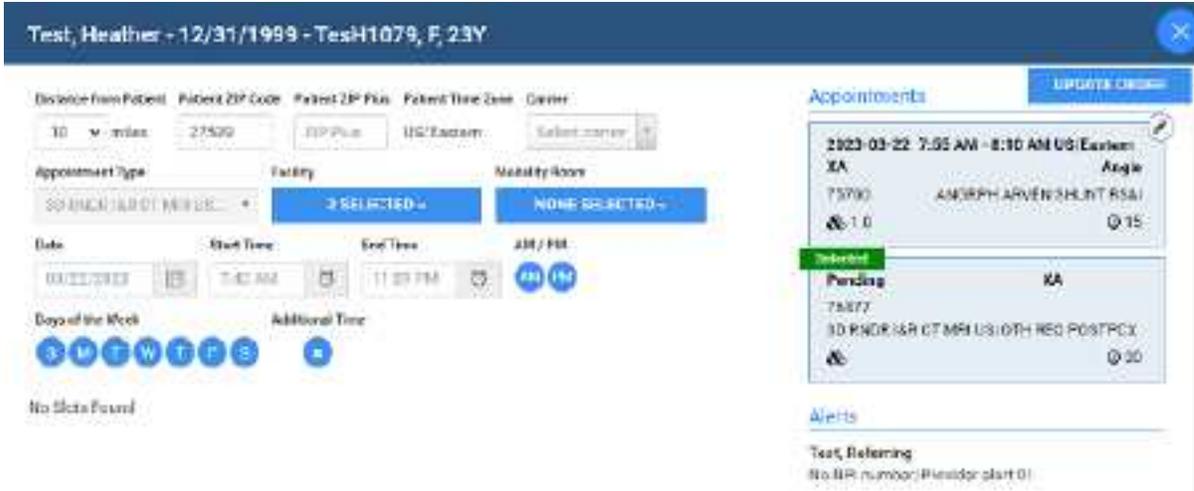
2. Filter available timeslots by entering the following criteria.

Setting	Description
Distance from Patient	Type the patient's ZIP code (see next row), and then select a distance. Timeslots at facilities farther from the patient than the number of miles you select are filtered out of the list.
Patient ZIP Code (Postal Code and ZIP Plus)	Type the patient's ZIP code, postal code, and/or ZIP Plus to make the Distance from Patient filter available.
Carrier	Select the patient's insurance carrier.
Appointment Type	Shows the first appointment type in the order (read-only).
Facility	Select one or more facilities where the exam could be performed.
Modality Room	Select one or more modality rooms where the exam could be performed.
Date	Select to only show timeslots falling within a date range.
Start/End Time	Select to only show timeslots starting within a time range.
AM/PM	Select one or both to limit your search to daytime or nighttime.
Days of the Week	Select one or more days that the patient would be available.
Additional Time	Select if the exam requires more time than the standard duration.

3. Select a timeslot in the list, and then select **UPDATE ORDER.**

See also:

A typical scheduling workflow

Use the Find Slots feature

Schedule appointments back to back

Edit an existing order

You can edit a previously entered order from the worklist.

Procedure

1. [Worklist](#) >**right-click an order** > **Edit Order**.
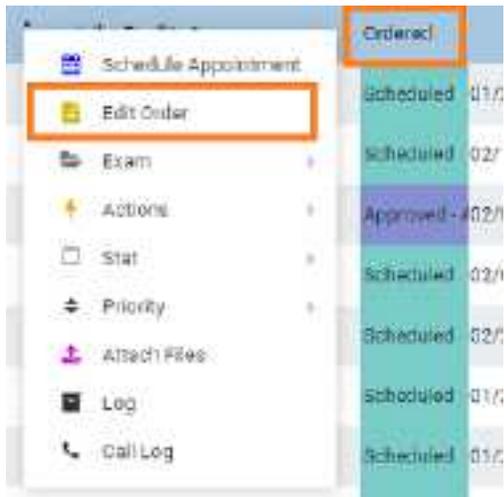
2. Edit the order and then select **SAVE.**

   Note: For details, see [Edit order information](#).

Manually verify or clear eligibility of orders

If you determine that an order, preorder, or study on the worklist satisfies payment provider eligibility requirements, you can mark it as Eligible (green check mark) on the worklist. If a study was previously manually verified, you can clear the Eligible status. Verifying or clearing does not affect the eligibility status in other parts of the program. To view the eligibility status, display the Eligibility column.

Prerequisite: Obtain Eligibility rights.

Procedure

1. Optional. In [User Settings](#), display the **Eligibility** column.

2. [Worklist](#) > **right-click an order** > **Manually Verify Eligibility**.
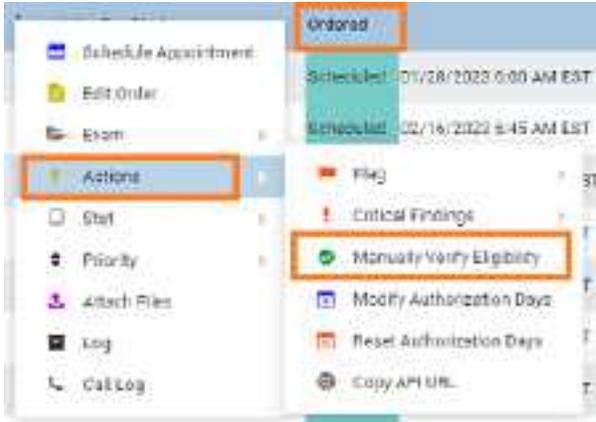
To clear the eligibility status, select **Remove Manual Eligibility Verification**.

3. Optional. In the **Eligibility** column, confirm that the green checkbox appears or disappears.

See also:

What are authorization, verification, and estimation?
Verify eligibility of preorders and studies with PokitDok
Verify eligibility and estimate coverage with ImagineSoftware
Configure worklist columns

Change the priority of an order or study

You can set the priority of an order.

Procedure

1. Worklist > **right-click an order or study** > **Priority.**
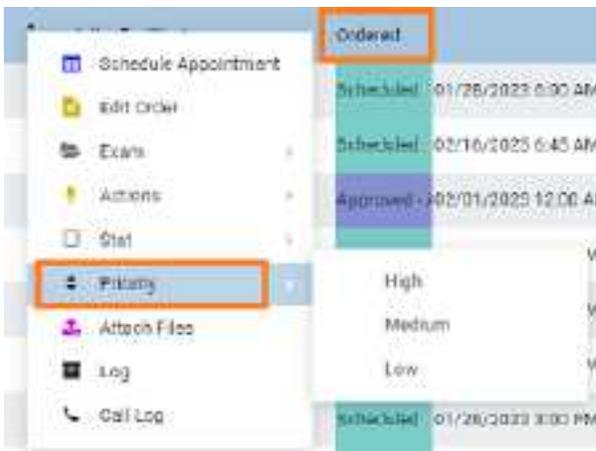
2. Select a priority.

See also:

[About drawing attention to orders and studies](#)

Assign critical findings to an order or study

You can assign critical findings to an order or study (for example, "Acute Positive").

Prerequisite: Configure critical findings. See [Reason codes](#).

Procedure

1. [Worklist](#) > **right-click an order or study** > **Actions** > **Critical Findings**.
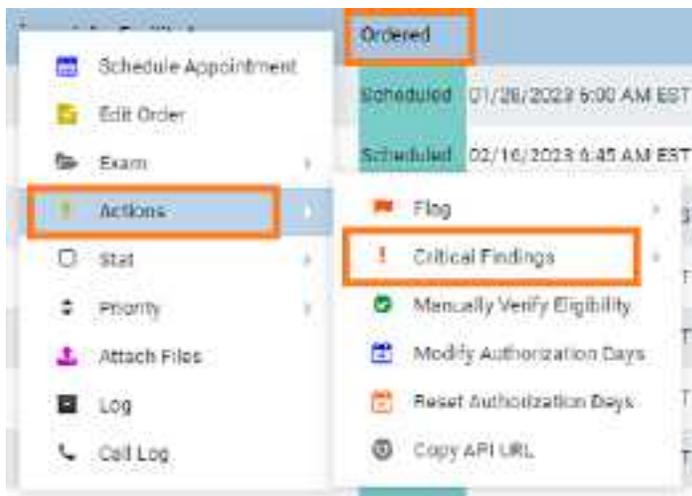
2. In the sub-menu, select a finding.

See also:

[About drawing attention to orders and studies](#)

Flag an order or study

You can flag an order or study in the worklist as being of special consideration. You can only apply one flag to an order. Users can filter the worklist by individual study flags.

Prerequisite: [Create a study flag](#)

Procedure

1. [Worklist](#) > **right-click an order or study** > **Actions** > **Flag**.
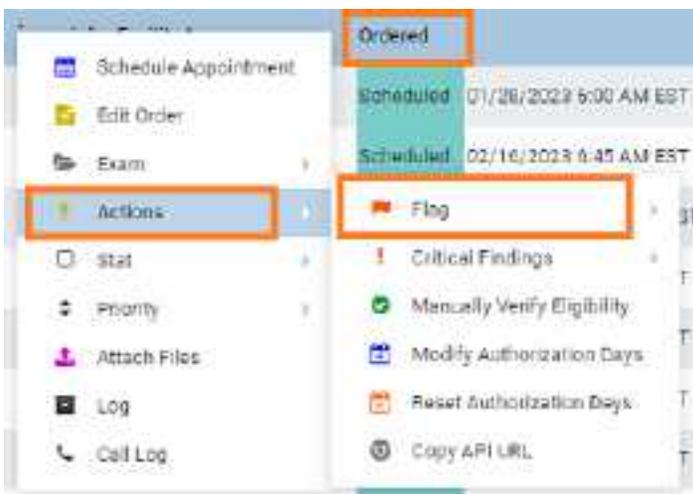
2. On the sub-menu, select one or more flags.

See also:

[About drawing attention to orders and studies](#)

Change the stat level of an order or study

You can assign or change the stat level or urgency (Stat 1–5, or Off) of an order in the worklist.

Procedure

1. [Worklist](#) > **right-click an order or study** > **Stat**.
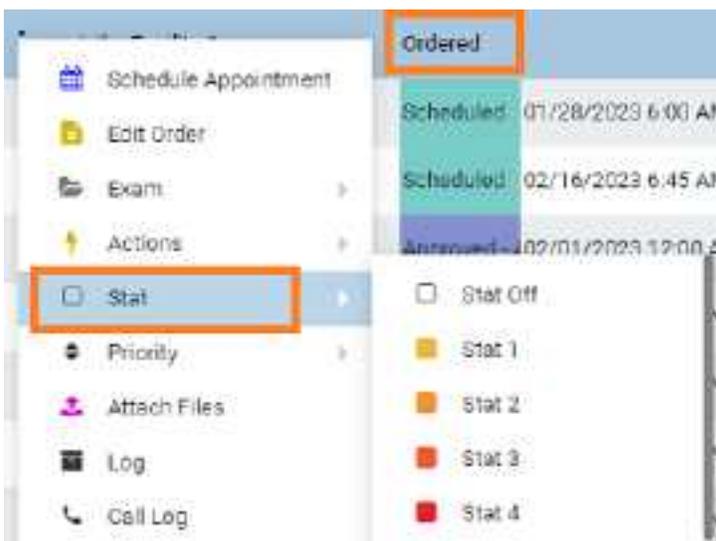
2. In the sub-menu, select a stat level.

See also:

[About drawing attention to orders and studies](#)

Delete an order

You can delete orders from the worklist.

- On the worklist, select the **PRE ORDERS** tab.

Delete one order

- On the order shortcut menu, hover over **Exam**, and then select **Delete Study**.

Delete multiple orders

- Select the checkboxes of multiple orders, and then on the shortcut menu, select **Delete Study**.

View or attach documents to an order or study

You can view attached documents, or scan documents to an order or study.

Procedure

1. Worklist > right-click an order or study > **Attach Files**.
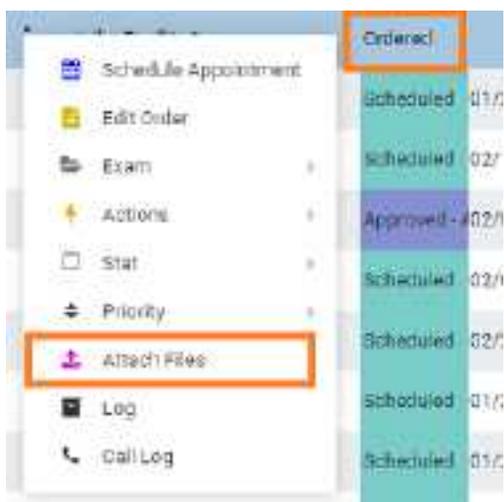
2. In the **Patient Document** dialog:

- To view a document, double-click it in the list.
- To attach a document, follow the steps in the following topics.

See also:

Scan to a patient
Scan to an order or study
Require document review

Require document review

When creating a scan document (or "document") type, you can require that users review the document before moving forward in the study workflow. For example, you can require technologists to review physician orders prior to performing an exam to ensure order accuracy.

Procedure

1. In App settings, add a **Scan Document Type** and select the **Requires Review** checkbox.

2. Add a study status, select the **Document Review** checkbox, and then select the document types to review.

See also:

View or attach documents to an order
Configure study statuses

Modify or reset the order authorization days

This command lets you quickly change the number of days specified in the authorization rule associated with an exam. You can reset the days to the number of days set in the rule, or modify the days to an arbitrary number.

Procedure

1. Worklist > **right-click an order** > **Actions** > **Reset Authorization Days**, or **Modify Authorization Days**.
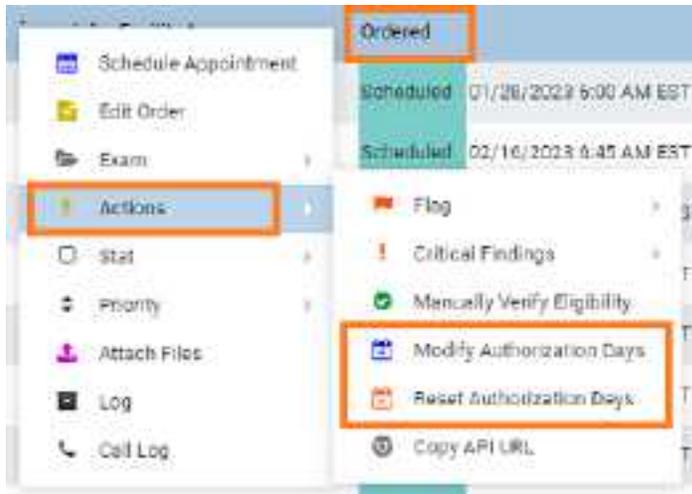
2. In the **Days Count** dropdown list, select a new number of days.

3. Select **SAVE**.

See also:

Add authorization rules

Assign a study to users

You can assign one study to one or more users, radiologists, or peer reviewers. When the user signs in, they can create a filter of the worklist that displays all studies assigned to them. This feature also works in conjunction with the "Show assigned studies only" option under Setup > User Management > [user profile] > WORKLIST FILTER.

Procedure

1. Worklist > **right-click an approved study** > **Exam** > **Assign Study**.
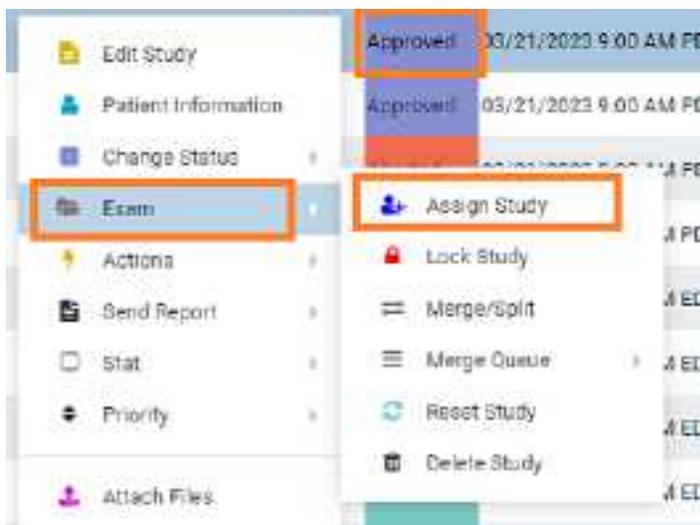
2. In the **Study Assignment** dialog, in the **Assign to User** dropdown list, select a user and then select the add ➕ button.

   Note: You can repeat this step to assign additional users.

3. Optional. In the **Assign to Radiologist** dropdown list, select a radiologist as the referring provider.

4. Optional. In the **Assign to Peer Reviewer** dropdown list, select a radiologist as the peer reviewer.

5. Select **SAVE.**

See also:

Assign a peer reviewer for a study
Create a user worklist filter

Add studies to the merge queue

You can add studies to a merge queue from the worklist, and then merge or split them by following the procedures in Merge or split studies.

Procedure

1. Worklist > **right-click a study** > **Exam**.

2. Optional. To start merging or splitting with one study at a time, on a study shortcut menu, select **Merge/Split.**
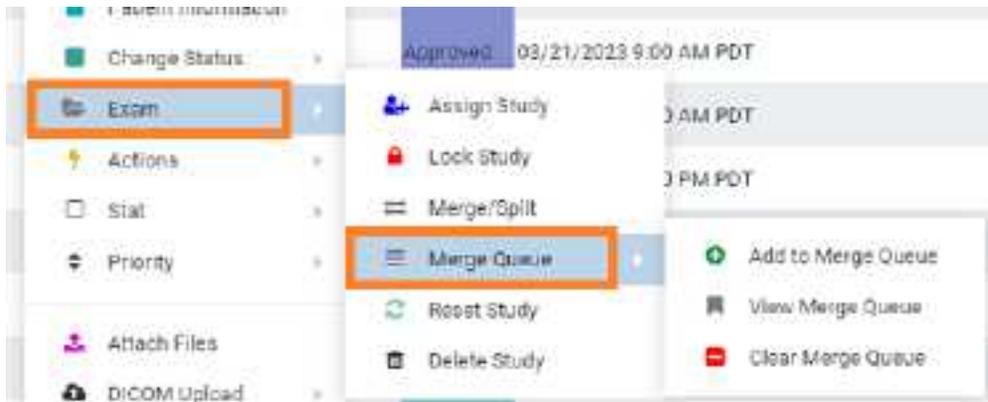
3. On the **Merge Queue** sub-menu, select **Add to Merge Queue**.

4. Repeat the previous step for all studies that you want to work with.

5. Right-click one of the studies that you added to the merge queue, hover over **Exam**, hover over **Merge Queue**, and then select **View Merge Queue**.

6. Merge or split studies.

Create a teaching study

You can create a teaching study based on an existing DICOM study. The teaching study is anonymized.

Procedure

1. Worklist > **right-click a DICOM study** > **Images** > **Create Teaching Study**.
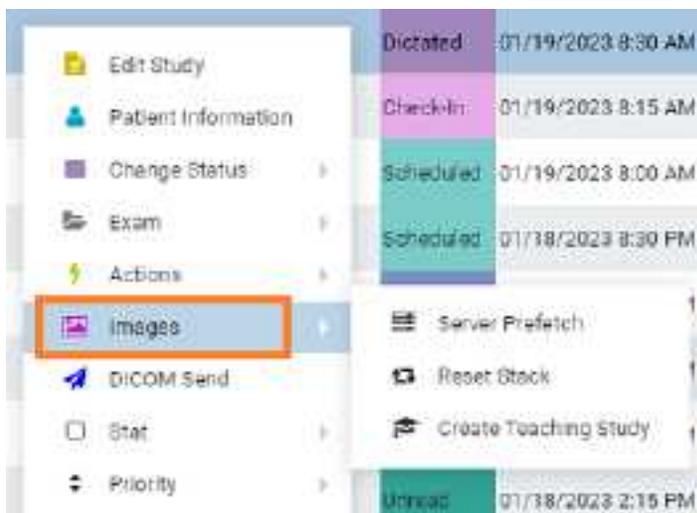
2. In the **Teaching Study** dialog, in the **AE Title** dropdown list, select an **AE title**.
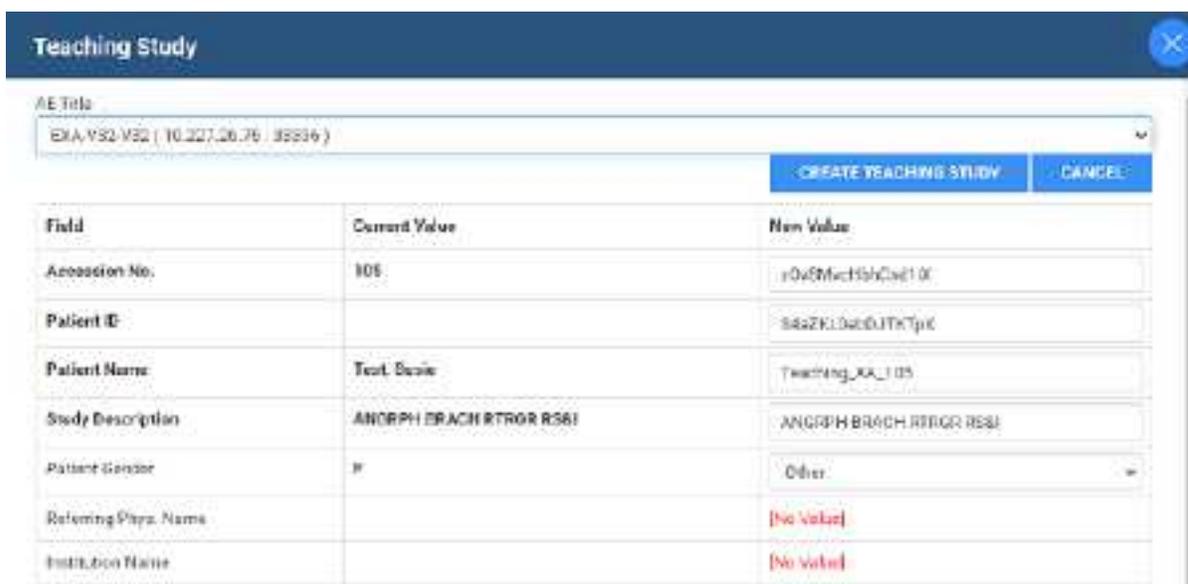
3. In the **New Value** column, type or select anonymous values for the new study.

4. Select **CREATE TEACHING STUDY**.

Reset a study

If the status of a study is beyond "Scheduled" in the study flow, you can reset the status to "Scheduled"

Procedure

1. Worklist > **right-click a study** > **Reset Study**.
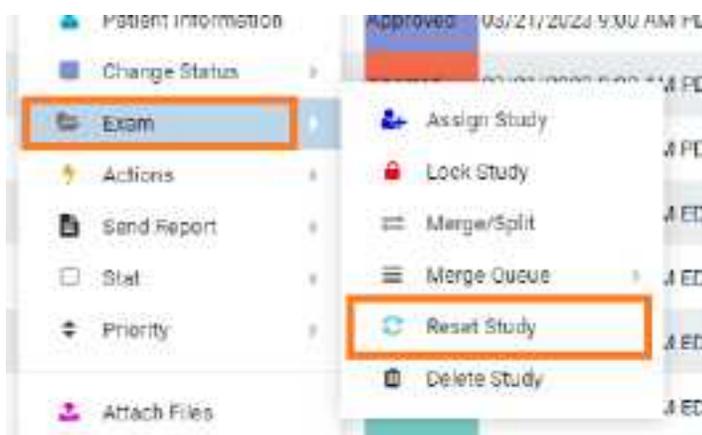
2. In the confirmation dialog, select **YES**.

Delete a study

When you delete a study it remains on the worklist but Exa PACS/RIS applies strikethrough text formatting to it and disables access. You can undelete or purge a deleted study.

Procedure

1. [Worklist] > **right-click a study** > **Exam** > **Delete Study**.

2. In the confirmation dialog, select **YES**.

3. In the **Delete Reason** dialog, select a reason

4. Select **SAVE.**

Download approved reports

If an approved report is attached to a study, you can download the approved reports directly from the worklist.

Procedure

1. Worklist > **right-click an approved study** > **Send Report** > **Download.**
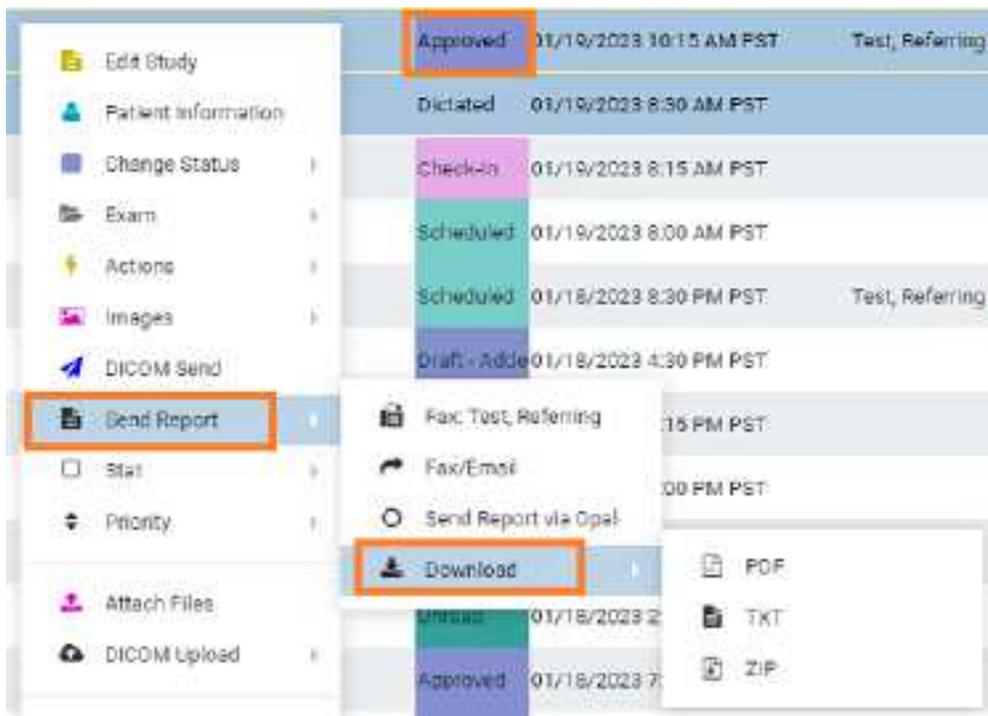
2. Select the format of the report.

   Result: Exa PACS/RIS downloads the report to your Windows Downloads folder.

Undelete or purge a deleted study

Undeleting a study removes the strikethrough text formatting and restores availability. *Purging* a study permanently removes it from the worklist and the database.

Procedure

1. Worklist > right-click a **deleted** study.
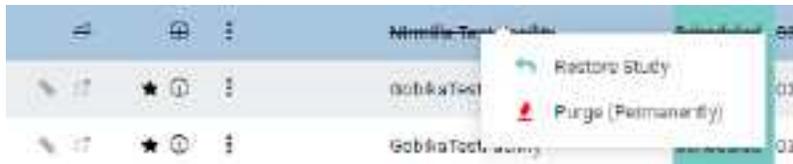
- To undelete, select **Restore Study**.
- To purge a deleted study, on the study shortcut menu, select **Purge (Permanently)**, and then select **OK**.

2. To purge all deleted studies at once, on the PACS Actions menu, select **Purge All Deleted**.

Copy the API URL

If you need the API URL, you can copy it from the worklist.

Procedure

1. Worklist > right-click a study > **Actions** > **Copy API URL**.
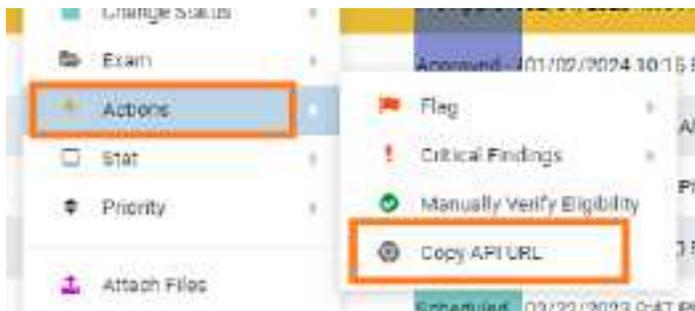
Result: A pop-up window appears with the API URL.

2. Press **Ctrl + C** to copy, and then select **OK**.

Reset a stack

To *reset* a stack means to restore its images to their last-saved ordering. It can also be helpful to reset the stack if any problems occur when displaying it in the viewer.

Procedure

1. On the worklist, select the **ALL STUDIES** tab.

2. On the shortcut menu of a study that contains images, hover over **Images** and then select **Reset Stack**.
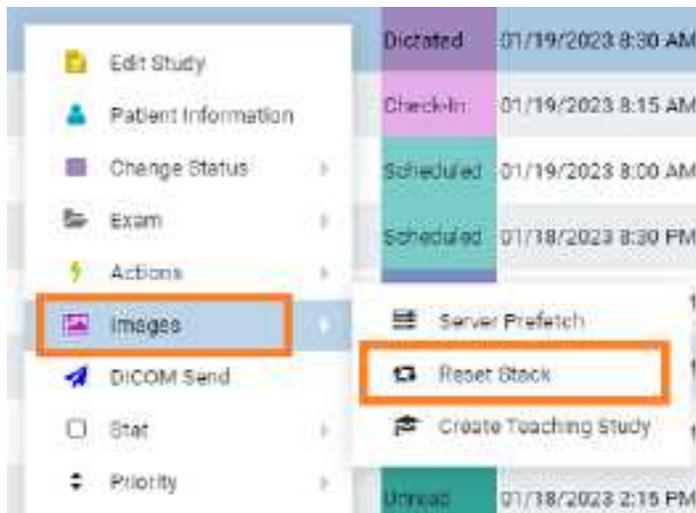
3. In the confirmation dialog, select **YES**.

Lock and unlock a study

You can lock a study to warn other users attempting to open it, and to prevent other users from using transcription. You can unlock a study that someone previously locked.

Procedure

1. Worklist > **right-click a study** > **Exam** > **Lock Study**.
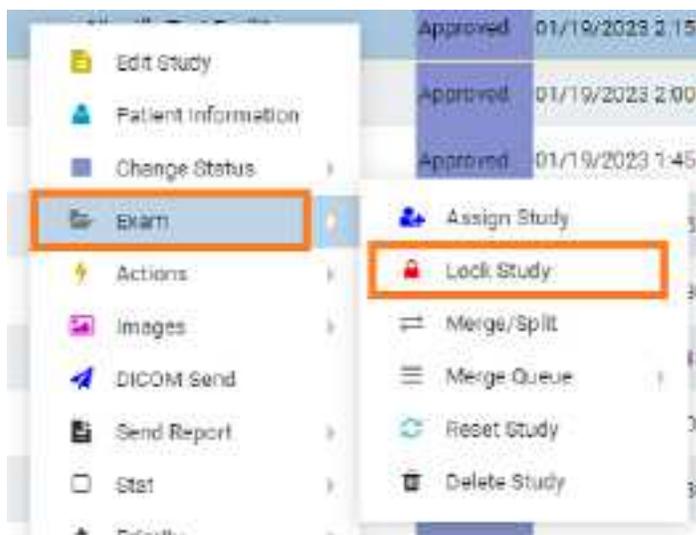
2. To unlock a locked study, on the study shortcut menu, hover over **Exam** > **Unlock Study**.

Edit or view a patient, study, or order

To edit a patient, study, or order you can access the Edit Study screen from the worklist by selecting the Edit Study, Edit Order, or Patient Information commands on the shortcut menu.
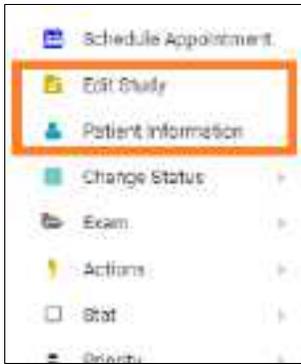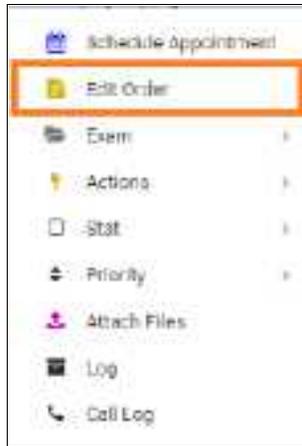
Study shortcut menu   **Order shortcut menu**

See also:

Edit study screen

Change the study status

You can assign or change the status (such as Approved or Transcribed) of a study in the worklist.

Prerequisite: Configure study statuses. See Configure study flow.

Procedure

1. Worklist > **right-click a study** > **Change Status**, and then select a status.
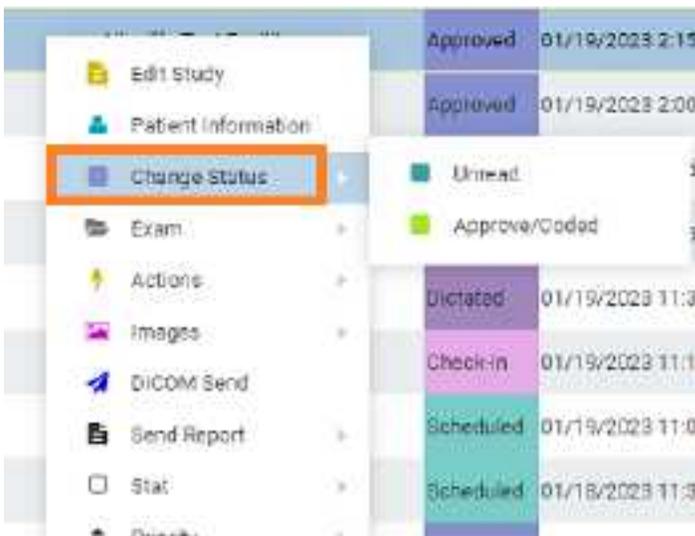
DICOM-send studies, series, or images

You can DICOM-send studies, series, or images to PACS or another destination. You can include any approved reports in the study, but note that the report status (such as Approved or Transcribed) is not sent. To send an approved report with its status, send as XML via Opal.

Prerequisite: Configure send destinations (see Configure application entities).

Send studies

1. Worklist > right-click a **DICOM** study > **DICOM Send**.

2. In the **Send Study** dialog, to filter the list of available AEs, type at least one character in the filter box and then select **Enter**.

3. In the **Priority** dropdown list, select a priority.

4. Do one of the following.

   - Select destinations in the list, and then select **SEND TO SELECTED**.

Optional: To send any attached approved reports, select the **Include Approved Report** checkbox.

5. Optional. To manage in-process send jobs, see Manage jobs in the transfer and SR queues.

Send series or images

1. In **User Settings**, clear the **Show Priors** checkbox.

2. On the worklist, find images or series to send by expanding the study row nodes and image preview buttons.
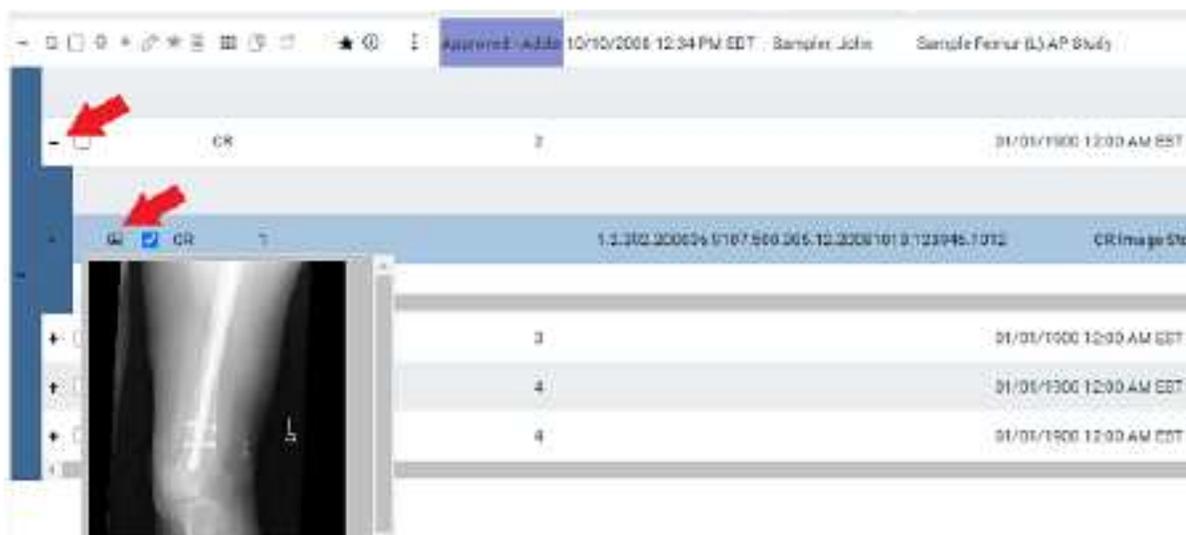
3. Select the checkboxes of the images or series to send.

4. Right-click and select **DICOM Send**.

5. In the **Send Study** dialog, in the **Priority** dropdown list, select a priority.

6. Select the send destinations in the list, and then select **SEND TO SELECTED**.

7. Optional: To send any attached approved reports, select the **Include Approved Report** checkbox.

8. Optional. To manage in-process send jobs, see Manage jobs in the transfer and SR queues.

Send an approved report via Opal

You can send approved reports of DICOM studies to another Opal/Exa system.

Prerequisites:

- Configure the referring physician on the sending server (your Exa PACS/RIS server) and receiving server. You may need to contact the receiving facility to confirm.
- Install OPAL tools.

Procedure

1. <u>Worklist</u> > right-click an **approved** study > **Send Report** > **Send Report via Opal**.
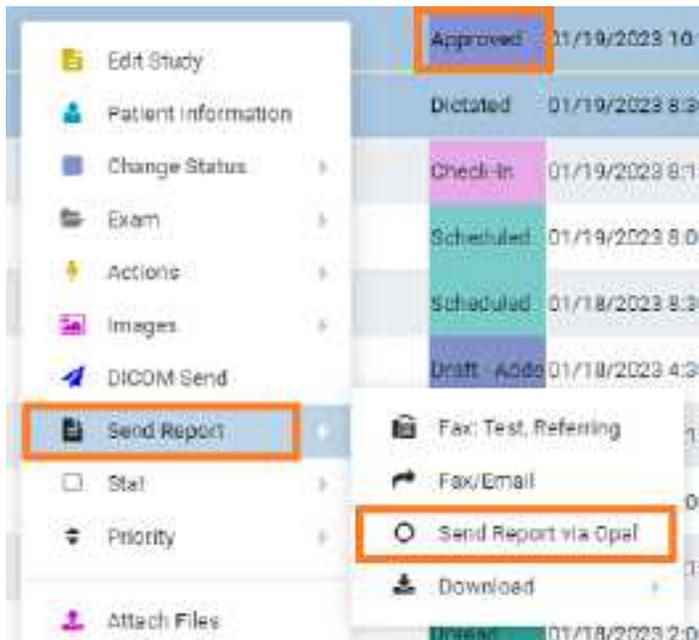
2.

3. In the **Send Report via Opal** dialog, to filter the list of available AEs, type at least one character in the filter box and then select **Enter**.
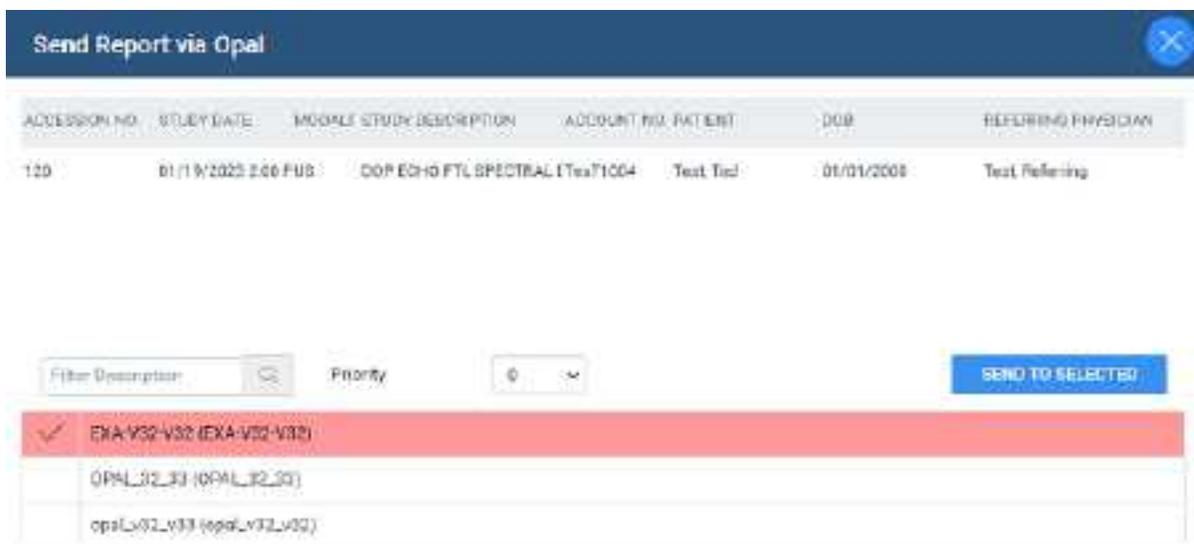
4. In the **Priority** dropdown list, select a priority.

5. Select send destinations in the list.

6. Select **SEND TO SELECTED**, or **SEND TO ALL**.

Send an approved report via fax or email

You can send approved reports of DICOM studies via fax or email.

Procedure

1. Worklist > right-click an approved study > Send Report.
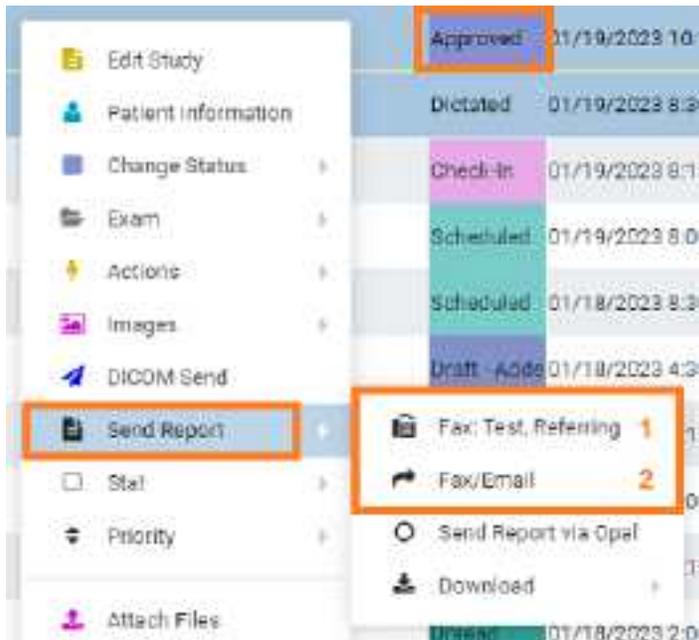
    To fax to the default recipient **(1)**, select it.

    Result: The report is sent to the fax queue.

2. To send to selected recipients **(2)**, select **Fax/Email**.

3. In the **Send Report** dialog, select recipients and then select the **SEND FAX** and/or **SEND EMAIL** button.

4. Optional. Repeat the previous step to send to additional recipients.

View and export audit log entries

You can view audit log entries, and export them to an XLS file.

Procedure

1. Worklist > right-click an order or study > **Log**.
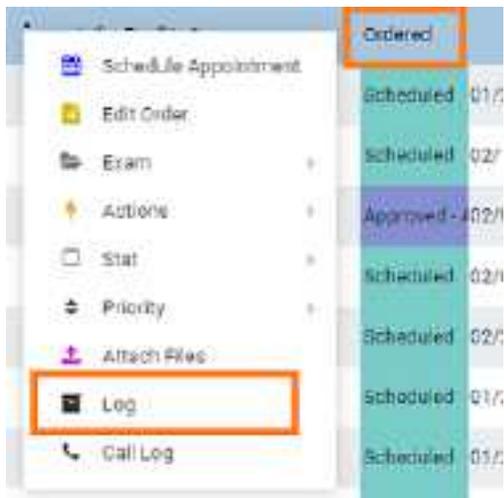
2. In the **Activity Log** screen, select a date range for the log entries to view, and then select **RELOAD**.

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3. If any entries match the date range, they appear in the list.

4. Optional. To export an entry from the list, select it and then select **EXPORT TO EXCEL**.

5. To view information in a log, double-click the log entry in the list.

See also:

View activity logs

About linking patients

Two ways to handle duplicate patient records are linking and merging.

Linking patients means to merge patients to the master patient record by using alternate account numbers. You can link patients from the worklist "on the fly" by following the procedure in Link patients, or from the patient chart by following the procedures in Use alternate account numbers.

Merging patient charts is generally used to move studies, series, and images between patients.

Note: Linking patients is different from Linked Reporting.

See also:

Use alternate account numbers
Merge or split studies

Link patients

If a patient has multiple records, each with different account numbers (or MRNs or PIDs), you can link them from the worklist.

Linking an external patient record to an internal one results in deleting the external record.

Prerequisite: Configure alternate account number functionality.

Procedure

1. Worklist > right-click an order or study > **Link Patient**.
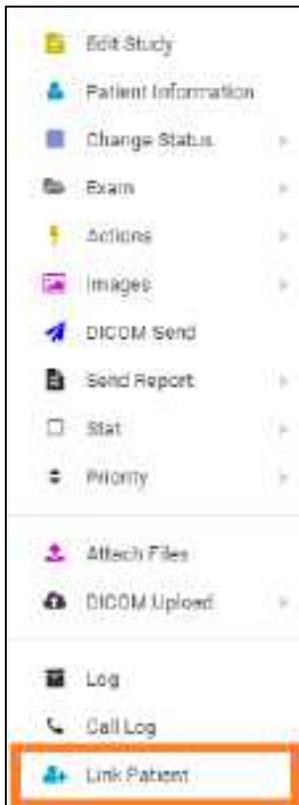
2. In the **Alt Account No** search box, enter the exact account number to link to the current account number, and then select **Enter**.
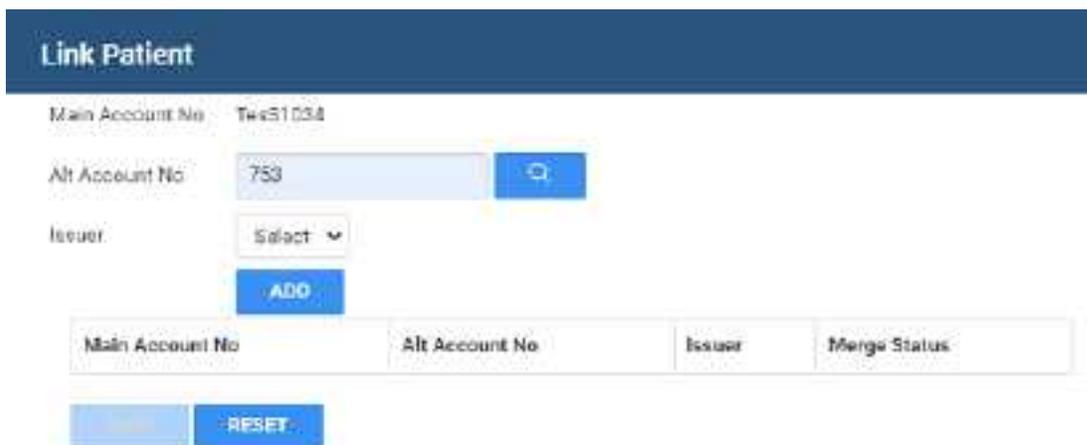
3. In the **Issuer** dropdown list, select the issuer of the PID, and then select **ADD**.

Note: If the account number was found (it already exists in Exa PACS/RIS), a message appears. Type a different number or select a different issuer.

4. Select **SAVE**.

See also:

About linking patients

About attaching documents to patients, orders, and studies

The following is a list of topics in this manual that describe how to attach information to patients, orders, and studies.

- **Upload a DICOM file to a study** - Attach existing DICOM files to a study.

- **Scan to a patient** - Scan paper or forms to a DICOM file and attach to the Documents section of the patient chart.

- **Scan to an order or study** - Scan paper or forms to a DICOM file and attach to all studies in an order or a selected study.

Upload a DICOM file to a study

You can upload DICOM-compatible files and add them to a study.

Procedure

1. Worklist > right-click a DICOM study > **DICOM Upload** > **Upload File**.
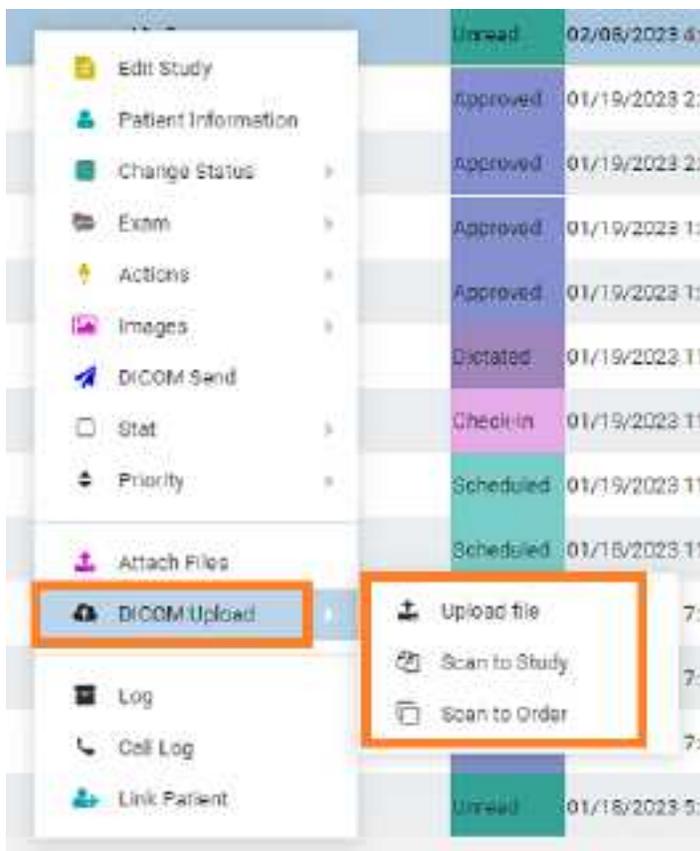
2. In the **DICOM Upload** dialog, do the following.
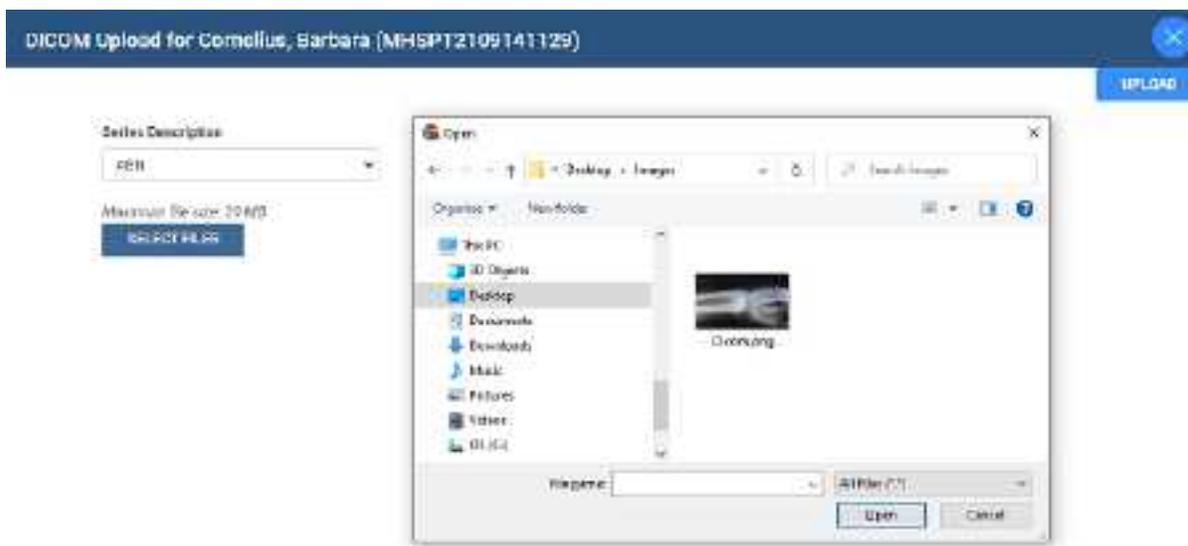
a. Select a series description.

b. Select **SELECT FILES**, browse for and select a file to upload, and then select **Open**.

c. Select **UPLOAD**.

Open the call log

You can use the call log to save a record of communication to and from a patient regarding an appointment or order.

1. Worklist > right-click a study or order > Call Log.
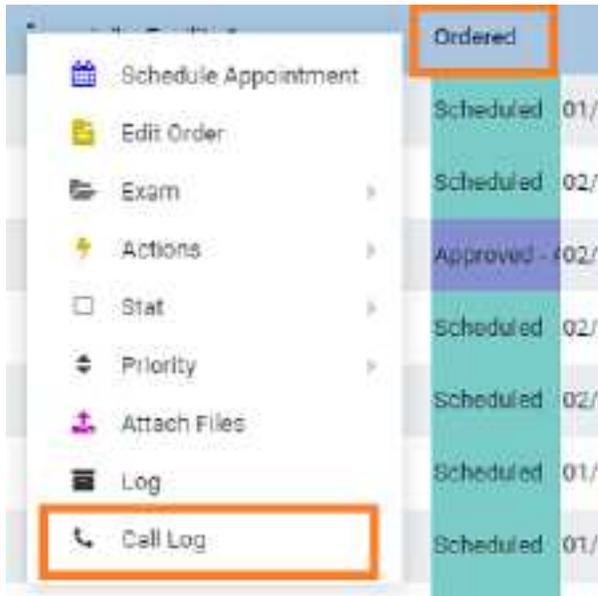
2. The Notes tab of the patient chart opens. See Update the patient call log.

Scan to an order or study

You can scan an image to a DICOM file and attach the file to one or all studies in an order.

1. Worklist > right-click a study or order.
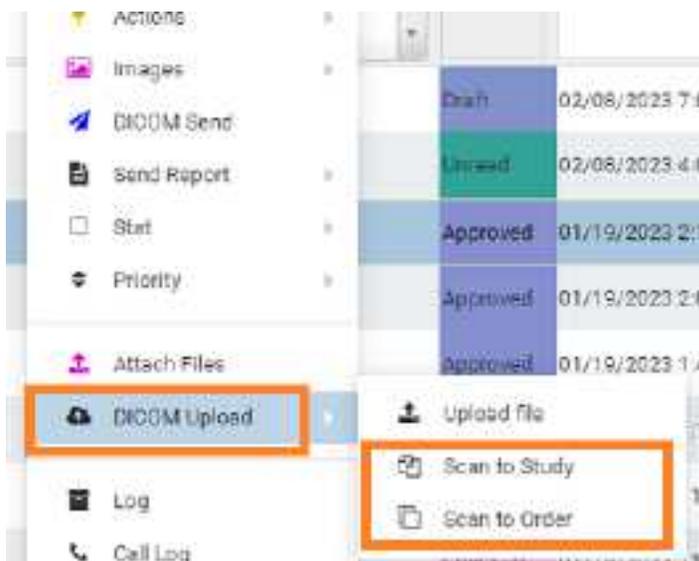
2. Do one of the following:

- To scan to the study, select **Scan to Study**.
- To scan to all studies in the order, select **Scan to Order**.

Edit Study screen

In the Edit Study screen you can view and edit most information about an order or study.

Open the Edit Study screen

To open the Edit Study screen, follow the procedure below.

> **Caution:** When working in the Edit Study screen, ensure that you enter all information correctly and with correct spelling. Incorrect information can result in failure to find patient records in future operations.

Procedure

- On the Worklist **ALL STUDIES** tab, double-click study row or select **Edit Study** ✎ .

...OR

- On the Worklist **PRE ORDERS** tab, double-click an order row or select **Edit Order** ✎

Result: The Edit Study screen opens to the EXAM INFORMATION screen, with the most recent study sub-tab selected.
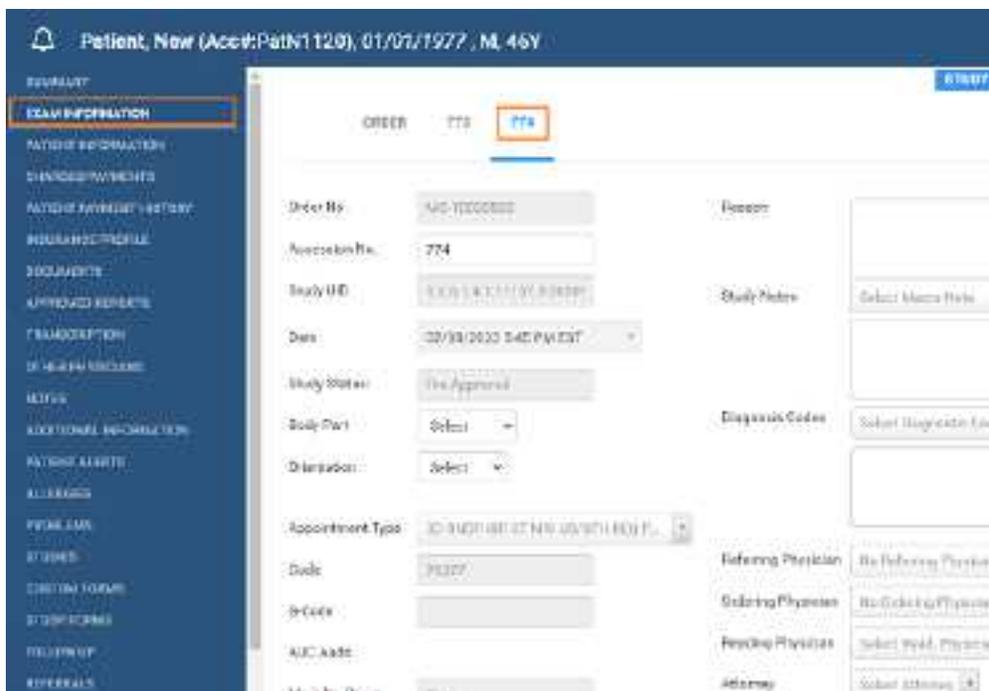
See also:

[Screens in the Edit Study screen](#)

View patient alerts

You can quickly check whether the patient of a study has any alerts that might affect billing, scheduling, exam preparation, or other factors.

Procedure

1. Go to [Worklist](#) > [Edit Study screen](#), and then select the alert 🔔 button.

The number of alerts appears in red

Result: The Patient Alerts dialog box appears.

2. Optional: Enter notes and click **SAVE**.

View a summary of an order

You can view a summary of an order and its studies.

Procedure

1. Go to Worklist > Edit Study screen, and then click **SUMMARY**.

Result: The order summary appears in the right pane.

Edit order information

An *order* defines information for one or more studies. You can edit properties of an order.

Procedure

1. Go to Worklist > Edit Study screen > **EXAM INFORMATION**, and then select the **ORDER** sub-tab.
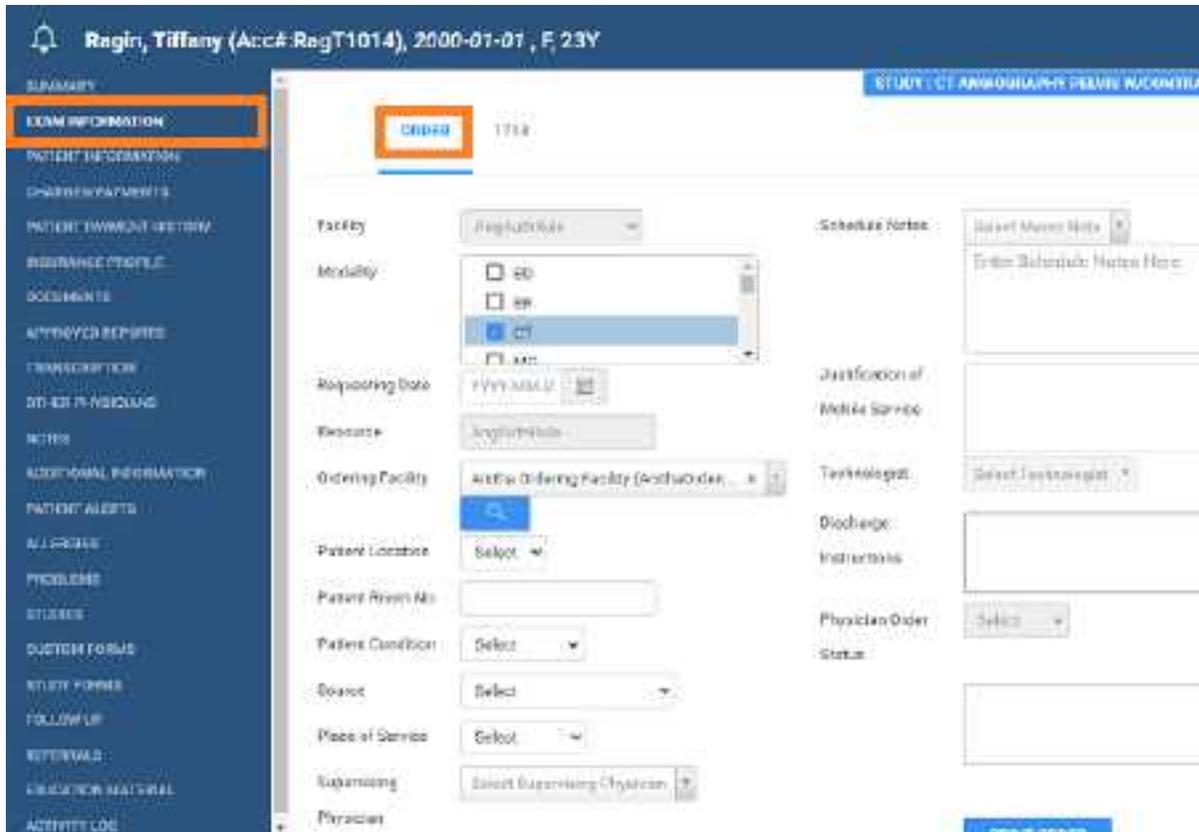
Result: The Edit Order screen appears.

2. Near the top of the screen, select the **ORDER** sub-tab and make changes to the following settings.

Setting	Description
Facility	The facilities performing the studies (to change, reschedule).
Modality	The modalities used for the studies (to change, reschedule).
Resource	The resources used for the studies (to change, reschedule).
Ordering Facility	Available with Mobile RAD only. Select the ordering facility or location of the studies. If the patient resides at the ordering facility location, select Set as Home Address.
Patient Location	Select the current location of the patient.
Patient Room No.	Type the room number of the patient location.
Patient Condition	Select a patient condition to consider for studies (such as "wheelchair").
Source	Select the source of the patient (such as referral or previous medical facility).
Place of Service	Select the place of service for billing purposes (Box24B).

Setting	Description
Supervising Physician	Select the supervising physician (Medicare requires a supervising physician to be present in the department or location during the exam).
Functional Status	Select the patient's functional status.
Cognitive Status	Select the patient's cognitive status.
Transition of Care in	[Unused]
Patient Visit No.	The enterprise-specific serial number for the study.
SDE Study	Select the checkbox if the order contains an echo ultrasound-related study.
Schedule Notes	Type or select schedule notes (such as messages from the front desk).
Justification of Mobile Service	Type the justification of mobile service for reference by the physician.
Technologist	Select the technologist performing the studies.
Discharge Instructions	Type any discharge instructions.
Physician Order Status	Status from the Referring Provider portal.
PRINT ORDER	To print a summary of the order information, select one or more of the following options, and then select PRINT ORDER.
Include Disclaimer/ Signature Area	Includes a pre-configured disclaimer on the printed order to be signed by the patient.
Include Notes	Includes schedule and study notes on the printed order.
Include Barcode Page	Prints a barcode on the order.

3. If DICOM settings are not available to edit, at the bottom of the screen, select **DICOM STUDY**, and then make changes to DICOM settings as needed.

4. To edit or add CPT codes, at the bottom of the screen, select the edit ✏ or add ➕ button, enter changes, and then select **SAVE.**

5. Select **SAVE.**

Edit study information

You can edit properties of an ordered study, including DICOM settings and CPT codes.

Procedure

1. Go to Worklist > Edit Study screen > **EXAM INFORMATION**, and then select a study sub-tab.
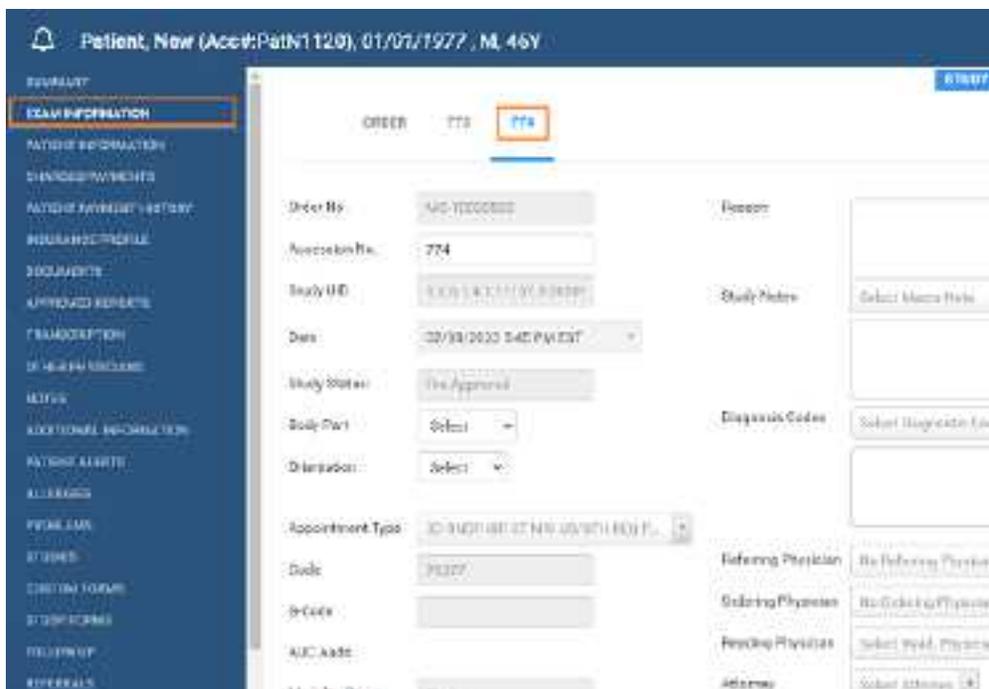
An order containing studies with accession numbers 773 and 774

2. Make changes to the following settings.

Setting	Description
Order No.	The order number to which the study belongs (to change, reschedule).
Accession No.	The accession number of the study (users with rights can edit here).
Study UID	The study UID as determined by the selected appointment type.
Date	The date of the study (to change, reschedule).
Study Status	The current status of the study in the Exa PACS/RIS study flow.
Body Part	Select the relevant body part for the study (for example, hand).
Orientation	Select which side of the body (for example, right).
Appointment Type	Select the study's appointment type (the type of exam for scheduling purposes).
Code	The internal procedure code of the study (associated with the appointment type).
G-Code	If CDSM was used to create the order, the G-Code appears, which identifies the CDSM application (such as LogicNets).
AUC Audit	If CDSM was used to create the order, a link is available to the AUC audit, which shows the AUC decision tree used by the physician.
Modality Room	The modality room where the study is performed (to change, reschedule).
Reason	Type the patient-specific reason for performing the study.
Study Notes	Type or select study notes (such as basic study history or notes from technologist to radiologist).

Setting	Description
Diagnosis Codes	Select diagnosis (e.g. ICD10) codes for the study.
Referring Physician	Select the physician who referred the patient for the study.
Ordering Physician	Available when using Mobile RAD. Select the physician who ordered the study. If left blank, Exa PACS/RIS automatically enters the referring physician.
Reading Physician	Select the radiologist or other physician who will read the study.
Attorney	Select the attorney for the patient. This attorney is given access to the study through Attorney Portal.
Department	Type the department of the facility performing the study.
Institution	Type the institution of the facility performing the study.
Station	Type an identifier for the station of the location performing the study.

3. If DICOM settings are not available to edit, at the bottom of the screen, select **DICOM STUDY**, and then make changes to DICOM settings as needed.

4. To edit or add CPT codes, at the bottom of the screen, select the edit ✎ or add ➕ button, enter changes, and then select **SAVE.**

5. Select **SAVE.**

About changing appointment types

Authorized appointments

Appointment types contain one or more CPTs. If you change a study's appointment type from one that has only one CPT to another than also has only one CPT, Exa PACS/RIS automatically copies any authorization information from the original CPT to the new one. However, if the old and/or new appointment types have multiple CPTs, you can copy insurance authorization information from selected CPTs in the original appointment type to any matching CPTs in the new one.

Clinically relevant Medicare appointments (CDSM)

If you change the appointment type of a study that was approved by CDSM and there exists a CPT that matches the old and new appointment types, the approval remains (Exa PACS/RIS copies the AUC modifier and G-code, and retains the original AUC Audit link). However, if a matching CPT does not exist, new modifiers and codes are not copied, and the AUC Audit link is removed.

See also:
Change an authorized appointment

Change an authorized appointment

The following feature is not available on all installations. To change an appointment type:

Procedure

1. Go to <u>Worklist</u> > <u>Edit Study screen</u> > **EXAM INFORMATION >** study sub-tab.
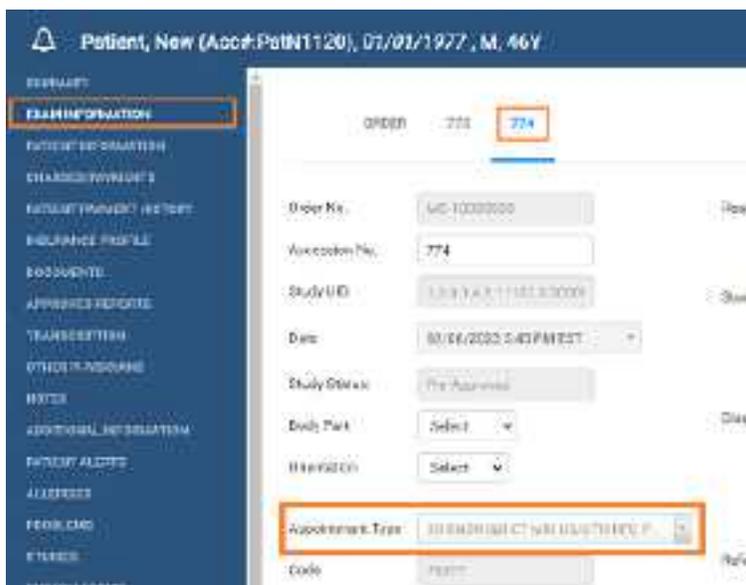
2. In the **Appointment Type** dropdown list, select a different appointment type.

3. In the **Change Appointment Type** dialog, to copy authorization information, select **YES**.
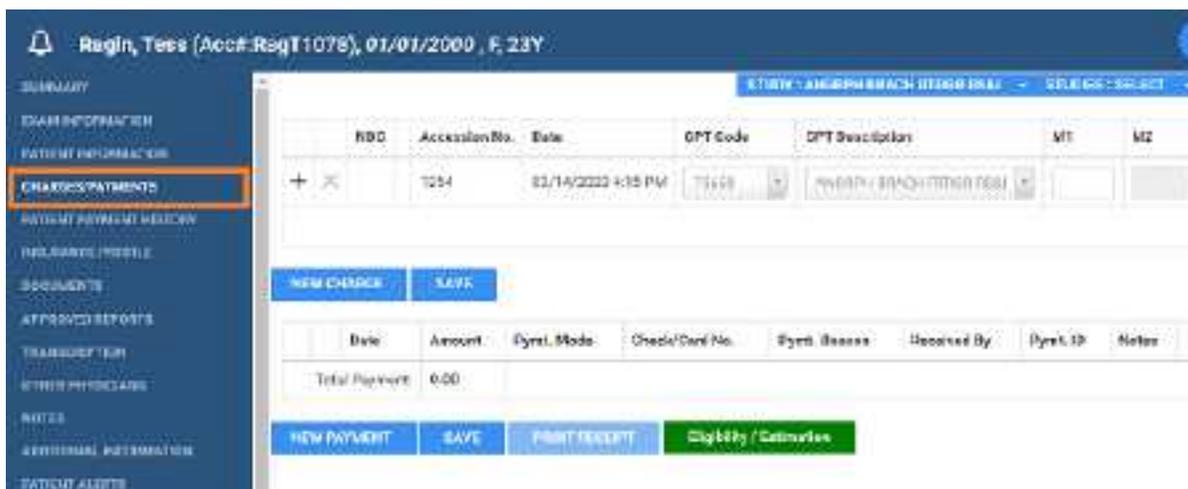
4. In the **Authorization** screen, select the **COPY** button of any CPTs whose authorization information you want to copy.

5. Select **SAVE**.

See also:

About changing appointment types
Authorize an exam

Edit basic patient demographics

The Edit Study screen gives you convenient access to some patient demographics in the patient chart.

Procedure

1. Go to Worklist > Edit Study screen > **PATIENT INFORMATION**.

2. Make changes, and then select **SAVE.**

See also:

[Create and modify a patient chart](#)

Add or edit a patient's portal account

You can edit a patient's portal credentials and other account information.

Procedure

1. Go to [Worklist](#) > [Edit Study screen](#) > [PATIENT INFORMATION](#) **> PORTAL ACCOUNT**.

Create a patient account

1. In the **Create Portal Account** dialog, under **Patient Account**, type the patient's email address, and then click **CREATE**.

    Result: A email is sent to the patient to verify and finalize their patient portal account.

2. Click **SAVE**.

Create a representative account

- Under **Representative Account**, fill in the options and click the save 🖫 button.

    Result: A email is sent to the representative to verify and finalize their patient portal account.

Assign a representative account

If you created more than one representative, you can select which one to assign to the current patient.

- Under **Representative Account**, select the account in the dropdown list and then click the save 🖫 button.

Edit a representative account

1. Under **Representative Account**, select the account in the dropdown list.

2. Change information as needed, and then click the plus ✚ button.

Reset passwords

After an account is verified, you can reset the password.

1. Under **Patient Account** or **Representative Account**, click **RESET PASSWORD**.

2. Type a new password, and click the corresponding Save button.

See also:

Generate a patient check-in code

View and print a patient statement from the claim inquiry

You can view and print a patient statement from the claim inquiry.

Procedure

1. Go to Worklist > Edit Study screen > PATIENT INFORMATION **> INQUIRY**.

2. Optional. In the **Patient Claim Inquiry** dialog, select **PRINT**.

   A printable claim summary appears in a separate browser window.

Scan a patient's driver's license

You can search for a patient by the name and DOB on their driver's license. If Exa PACS/RIS finds a matching patient in the system, it opens a dialog in which you can reconcile that record against the information on the license. If it does not find a matching patient, it uses the information on the license as a basis for you to create a new patient.

Procedure

1. Go to Worklist > Edit Study screen > PATIENT INFORMATION **> SCAN LICENSE**.

   Scan License

   Ready for Driver's License Scan

2. When the **Scan License** dialog appears, scan the driver's license.

   Result: Relevant information appears in fields.

Generate a patient check-in code

You can generate a code that the patient can use to check-in for an exam when using Patient Kiosk.

Procedure

1. Go to Worklist > Edit Study screen > PATIENT INFORMATION **> CHECK-IN CODE**.

   Check-in Code

   Test, Richard

   B1QPQK

   COPY TO CLIPBOARD

2. Optional. Select **COPY TO CLIPBOARD**, and then paste the code in an email to send to the patient.

See also:

Use Patient Kiosk as a patient

Export a patient CCD

A patient CCD (continuity of care document) contains medical information that you can send to other providers without loss of meaning. You can export the information, download it to your Windows Downloads folder, and send it to an email recipient.

Procedure

1. Go to Worklist > Edit Study screen > PATIENT INFORMATION **> EXPORT CCD**.

2. Select type and encryption functions.

3. Select **PROCESS PATIENT INFO**, and then select **DOWNLOAD**.

4. To send the zipped file, select **SEND** and follow the on-screen instructions.

Enter a new charge

You can modify charges from the Edit Study screen.

Procedure

1. Go to Worklist > Edit Study screen > **CHARGES/PAYMENTS**.
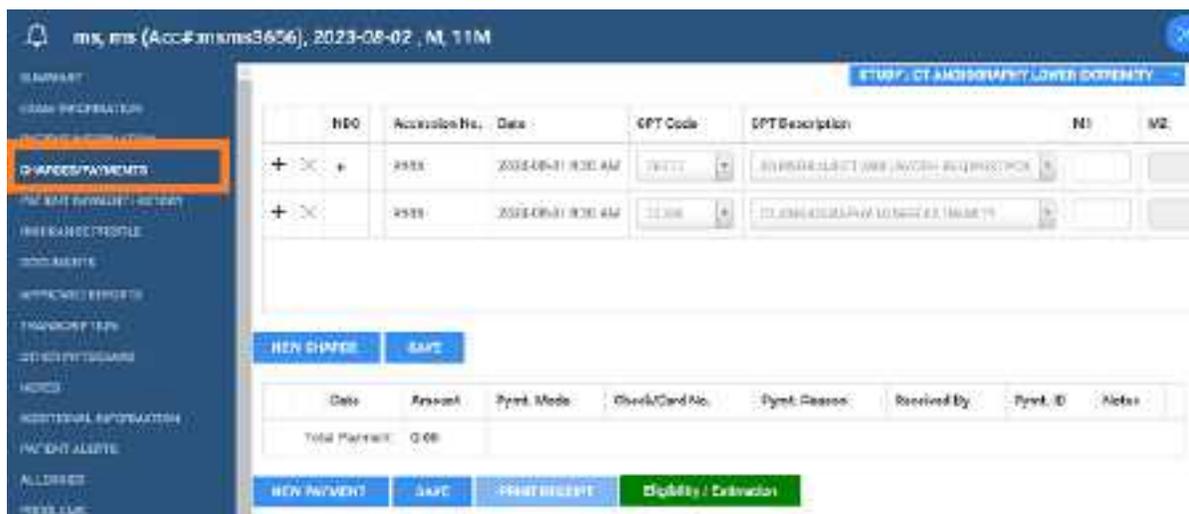
2. Edit settings for an existing charge, or select **NEW CHARGE**, enter charge information, and then select **SAVE.**

3. Optional. Select **Eligibility/Estimation** follow the steps in the following topics to verify eligibility and estimate coverage. (Available with Eligibility user rights.)

4. Select **SAVE.**

See also:

Enter a claim for a study

Verify eligibility and estimate coverage with ImagineSoftware

Verify eligibility of preorders and studies with PokitDok

Manually verify or clear eligibility of orders

Enter payments and print receipts

You can enter payments, print receipts, and create an invoice for the balance due from the Edit Study screen.

Procedure

1. Go to Worklist > Edit Study screen > **CHARGE/PAYMENTS**.

2. Select **NEW PAYMENT**, enter payment information, and then select **SAVE.**

3. Optional. To print a receipt, select **PRINT RECEIPT**.

4. Select **SAVE.**

See also:

Record a payment

View payment history and print receipts

You can view a history of payments made on behalf of the current patient, and print receipts.

Procedure

1. Go to Worklist > Edit Study screen > **PATIENT PAYMENT HISTORY**.

2. Select a payment for which to print a receipt, and then select **PAYMENT RECEIPT**.

   Result: The receipt opens in a browser tab.

3. Use the functions of the browser to download or print the receipt.

Add or edit an insurance profile

An *insurance profile* contains all relevant information about an insurance policy applied to an order. By creating primary, secondary, and/or tertiary insurance profiles for your patients who have insurance policies, you can take advantage of billing and other features throughout the patient encounter workflow.

You can create an insurance profile from the patient chart or the Edit Study screen, but in the Edit Study screen you can modify authorization information specific to the associated order or study.

Editing an insurance profile with authorizations

When you edit an insurance profile (change the carrier or policy number) of an order that is partially or fully authorized, and the new profile contains one or more of the authorized studies, Exa PACS/RIS prompts you with the choice to copy the authorization information to the edited insurance profile. This saves you from having to reauthorize studies unnecessarily.

Procedure

1. Go to Worklist > Edit Study screen > **INSURANCE PROFILE**.

2. Select **ADD**.

3. Enter the following insurance details.

Setting	Description
Insurance Details	
Set As Default[2]	Select to set the current policy as the default policy. Useful when the patient has multiple policies at the same level.
Level	Select whether the insurance is the patient's primary, secondary, or tertiary policy.
Inactive	Select to inactivate the policy while retaining its information. The Valid To Date is automatically set to the current date.
Existing Insurance[1]	To edit a previously entered policy, select it in the dropdown list.
Insurance Carrier	Select the insurance carrier.
Insurance Provider Type	Entered automatically.
Policy Number	Type the patient's insurance policy number.
Group No.	Type the insurance group number of the policy.
Pre-Cert. Phone / Fax	Type contact information getting pre-certification.
Accept Assignment	Select if the insurance policy can accept assignments.
Address / Phone No.	The contact information of the insurance carrier.
Website	The website of the insurance carrier.
Group Name	Type the name of the insurance group.
Valid From/To Date	Select the period during which the current policy is effective.
Medicare Ins. Type	Select the Medicare insurance type of the policy.

Available:

1. When adding from Edit Study; 2 = On the Patient chart

4. Enter contact information for the patient, and determine eligibility and/or obtain an insurance estimate (your options may vary).

Eligibility & Estimation	
Service Type	Select to search for and select a service type.
Benefit On Date	Select the date on which the policy becomes effective.
Eligibility & Estimation	Select to verify eligibility and/or estimate coverage.
Contact Information	
Relationship	Select an emergency contact person for the patient.
Subscriber Name	Type the name of the insurance policy subscriber.
Sex	Select the sex of the subscriber.
Country	Select the country of the subscriber.
Address	Type the address of the subscriber.
DOB	Select the date of birth of the subscriber.
Employee Status	Select the employment status of the subscriber.
Work / Home Phone	Type the phone numbers of the subscriber.

5. Optional: To authorize the study, see <u>Authorize an exam</u>.

6. Select **SAVE.**

See also:

<u>About active and inactive insurance</u>

Verify eligibility of pre-orders and studies with PokitDok

If the insurance provider is a PokitDok trading partner, you can verify eligibility by using the following procedure.

Procedure

1. Go to <u>Worklist</u> > <u>Edit Study screen</u> > **INSURANCE PROFILE.**

2. Double-click a profile to open it.

3. Select a service type, and then select the green **Eligibility / Estimation** button.

Result: If the verification succeeds, an eligibility report appears.

See also:

<u>Verify eligibility and estimate coverage with ImagineSoftware</u>
<u>Manually verify or clear eligibility of orders</u>

Verify eligibility and estimate coverage with ImagineSoftware

With purchase of a license, you can verify insurance eligibility and estimate primary insurance coverage from within Exa PACS/RIS. The following procedure describes accessing the verification and estimation screen from the Edit Study screen, but the verification and estimation steps are the same when you access the screen from other parts of the program.

Prerequisites:

- [Add an insurance provider](#) and include the trading partner ID for ImagineSoftware.
- Obtain Eligibility user rights from your administrator.

1. Go to [Worklist](#) > [Edit Study screen](#) > **INSURANCE PROFILE.**

2. Double-click a profile to open it.

3. Under **Eligibility & Estimation**, select a service type, and then select the green **Eligibility / Estimation** button.

4. Continue to the topics below.

Verify eligibility

1. Select the **ELIGIBILITY** sub-tab.

Result: If not eligible, the screen above appears. If eligible, the eligibility breakdown appears.

2. To view patient, study, and insurance details, select the down arrow 🔽 button.

3. Optional. If conditions changed since the benefits on date, select **RECHECK ELIGIBILITY**.

4. Optional. To print a copy of the verification, select **PRINT**.

Estimate coverage

1. Select the **ESTIMATION** sub-tab.

Result: If not eligible, the screen above appears. If eligible, the coverage details are shown including the estimated patient balance.

2. To view patient, study, and insurance details, select the down arrow 🔽 button.

3. Optional. If conditions changed since the benefits on date, select **RE-ESTIMATE**.

4. Optional. To print a copy of the estimate, select **PRINT**.

5. Optional. To generate a formal estimation letter, select **LETTER**.

   a) To print the letter, select **PRINT**.

   b) To send the letter in an email, type the recipient's email address and select **EMAIL**.

See also:

Verify eligibility of preorders and studies with PokitDok
Manually verify or clear eligibility of orders

View or add patient documents

You can view all documents attached to a patient record and their metadata, and add new documents.

Procedure

1. Go to Worklist > Edit Study screen > **DOCUMENTS**.

2. To view a document in the list, double-click it.

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3. To add a document by scanning, place the document in the scanner, and do one of the following.

- To scan one page without scanning options, select **QUICK SCAN**.
- To scan with scanning options, select the **QUICK SCAN** arrow ⌄ button, and in the shortcut menu, select a scan type.

4. To upload the document to RIS, select **UPLOAD**. To add document to the patient chart, select the arrow ⌄ button for and select **Patient Document**.

- Enter metadata for the document.
- Select **SELECT FILES**, browse for and select a file, and then select **Open**.

5. Select **SAVE.**

View approved reports

Procedure

1. Go to <u>Worklist</u> > <u>Edit Study screen</u> > **APPROVED REPORTS** to open a window and display the report.

   Result: If an approved report is available, it opens (may take time).
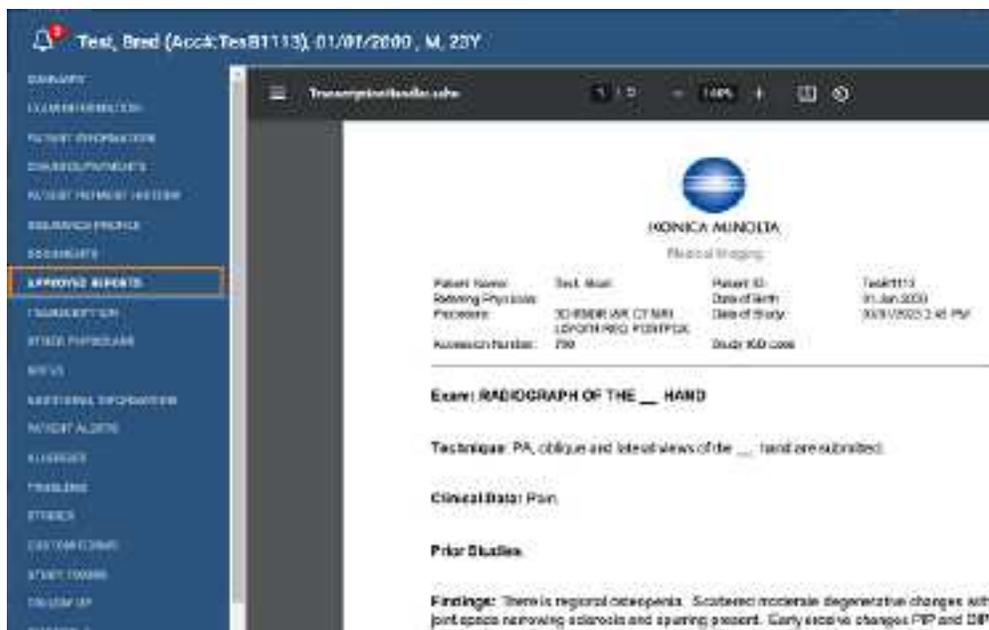
Open the transcription screen

Use this procedure to open the transcription multipanel from the Edit Study screen.

Procedure

1. Go to Worklist > Edit Study screen > **TRANSCRIPTION** to open a window and display the transcription editor within the multipanel.

See also:

Dictation and transcription with WebTrans

Dictation and transcription with Exa Trans and Dragon

Dictation and transcription with Exa Trans and nVoq

Manage other physicians

You can add or delete other physicians (ones other than the primary, referring, or reading physicians) who are associated with the current study.

Procedure

1. Go to <u>Worklist</u> > <u>Edit Study screen</u> > **OTHER PHYSICIANS**.

2. Optional. To add a physician, in the **Select Other Physician** dropdown list, select a physician.

3. Optional. To remove a physician, select the trash ▯ button.

Enter notes and reasons for study

You can enter patient notes, study notes, schedule notes, and reasons for the patient's studies. Generally, you can use: *patient notes* for patient specific information; *study notes* for basic study history or notes from technologist to radiologist; *schedule notes* for messages from the front desk; and *reason notes* for more specific study history.

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Notes are permanent, and may be visible to the patient.

Procedure

1. Go to <u>Worklist</u> > <u>Edit Study screen</u> > **NOTES**.

2. Select the **PATIENT NOTES**, **STUDY NOTES**, or **SCHEDULE NOTES** sub-tab.

3. Select **ADD**, type notes, and then select **SAVE.**
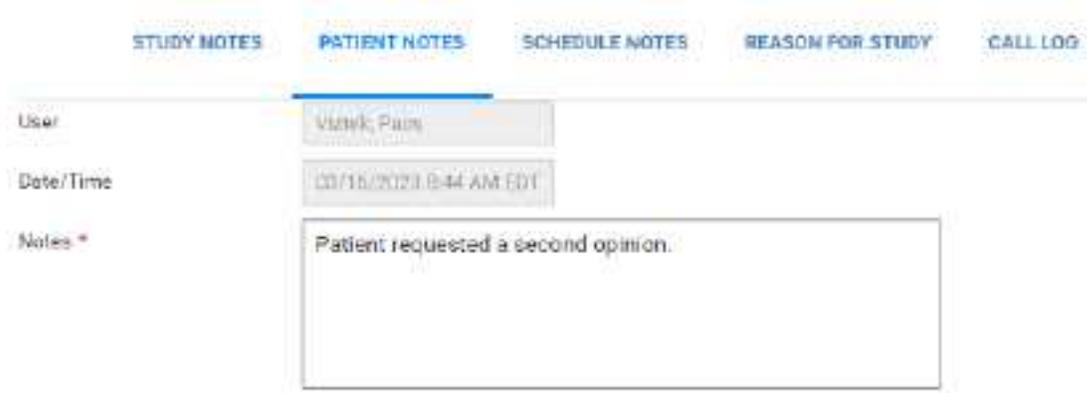
4. Select the **REASON FOR STUDY** tab.

5. Type reasons in the box, and then select **SAVE.**

Update the patient call log

You can use the call log to save a record of communication to and from a patient regarding an appointment or order. The worklist has columns for displaying the following information that you enter in the call log: last call made, last call category, and last call notes. To update the call log:

Prerequisite: Add call categories (see App settings).

Procedure

1. Go to Worklist > Edit Study screen > **NOTES**.

2. On the **CALL LOG** sub-tab, select **ADD**.
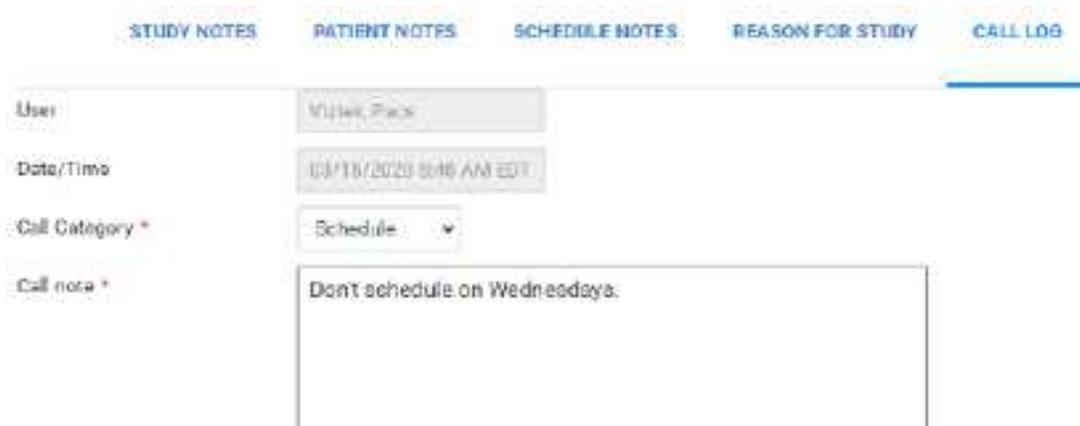
3. In the **Call Category** dropdown list, select a call category.

4. In the **Call Note** box, type notes, and then select **SAVE**.

Enter employment and transfer-related information

You can enter various information on whether the illness or injury was employment-related, the dates of illness, work absence, and hospitalization. You can also enter information related to the source of a transferred patient.

Procedure

1. Go to [Worklist](#) > [Edit Study screen](#) > **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**.

2. Enter the information as needed and then select **SAVE.**

Assign or remove patient alerts

⚠ Failure to add a needed patient alert could result in incorrect treatment or diagnosis.

You can assign or remove alerts for a patient.

Procedure

1. Go to [Worklist](#) > [Edit Study screen](#) > **PATIENT ALERTS**.
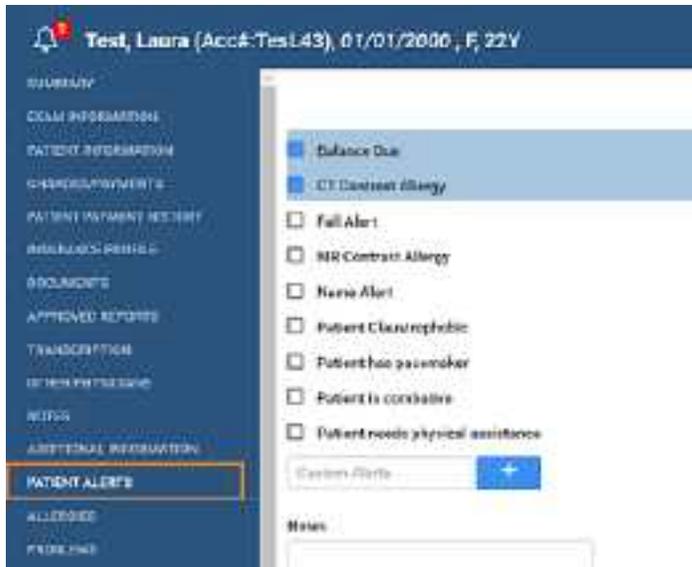
2. Select or clear the checkboxes corresponding to the alerts that you want to assign or remove.

3. Optional. To create a new alert, type it in the **Custom Alerts** box and then select the plus button.

4. Select **SAVE.**

Add allergy information

If your facility uses Rcopia, you can add information about a patient's allergies.

Procedure

1. Go to Worklist > Edit Study screen > **ALLERGIES**.

2. Select **ADD**, and then add the information as needed.

3. Select **SAVE.**

View problems

You can view problems associated with the study.

Procedure

1. Go to <u>Worklist</u> > <u>Edit Study screen</u> > **PROBLEMS**.
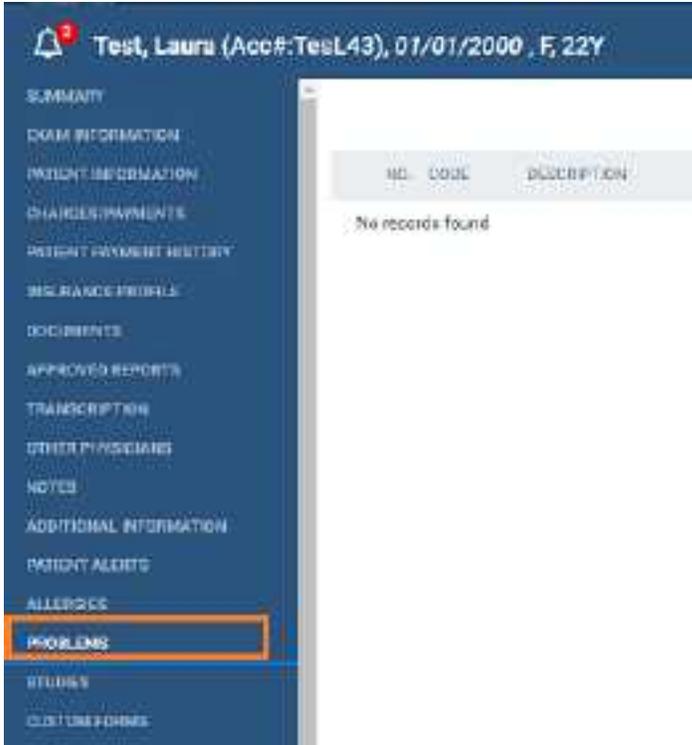
View prior studies and add a new study

You can view a list of prior studies for a patient, and view reports attached to the priors. You can also start the workflow to add a new study from this part of the Edit Study screen.

Procedure

1. Go to [Worklist](#) > [Edit Study screen](#) > **STUDIES**.
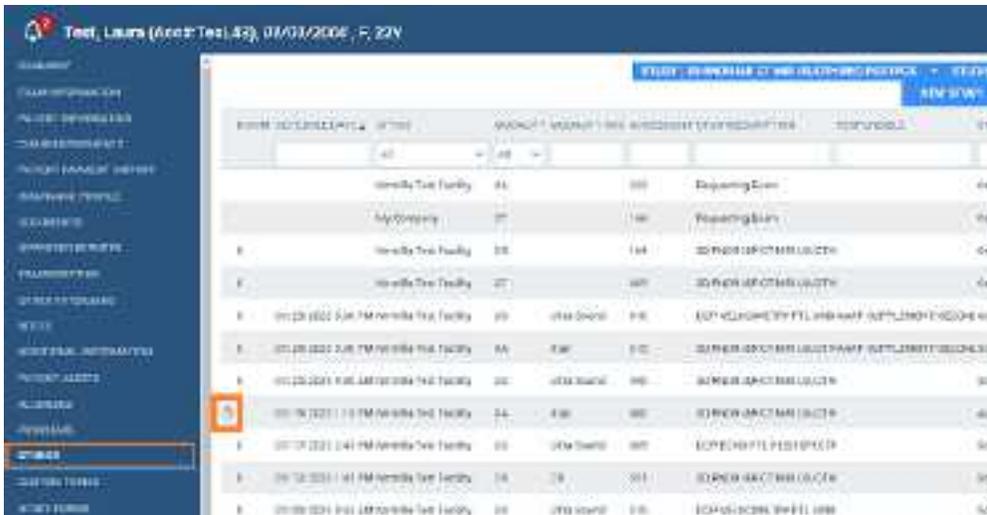
2. Optional. If a prior study includes reports, select the reports ▯ button on the study row to open the reports.

3. Optional. To add a new study, select **NEW STUDY** and then see <u>Set up a patient</u>.

About custom forms and study forms

Custom forms have basic formatting options, and cannot accept electronic signatures. *Study forms* have more advanced formatting options, and can accept electronic signatures.

Add a custom form to a patient record

You can open a custom form template, fill it out, save the completed form to the current patient record, sign it electronically, fax, and print it.

Prerequisite: <u>Create a custom form</u>.

Procedure

1. In the worklist, select the edit [pencil icon] button of a study.

2. In the **Edit Study** screen, on the left pane, select **CUSTOM FORMS**.
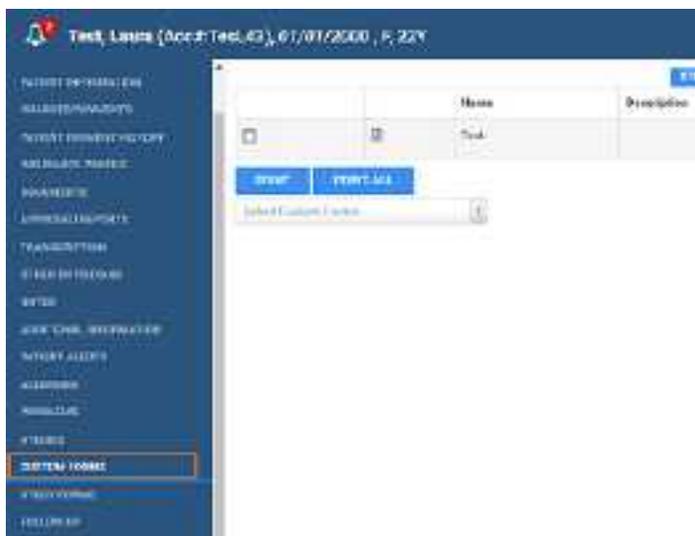
3. In the **Select Custom Forms** dropdown list, select a form to add it to the forms table.

4. To view, modify, or sign a form, select the form [document icon] button in the table.

5. Optional. To add an electronic signature, select **SIGNATURE**, enter signature information, sign by drawing with the mouse, and then select **SAVE.**

   Note: To make electronic signatures available, add a signature merge field when setting up the form.

6. Optional: To print the form, select **PRINT**.

7. Optional: To fax the form, select **FAX**, select the recipient physician, enter optional information under **Other**, and then select **SEND FAX**.

Add a study form to a patient record

You can open a study form template, fill it out, save the completed form to the current patient record, sign it electronically, and print it. You can also make forms available on the patient portal so that they can fill them out before an appointment.

Prerequisite: Create a study form.

Procedure

1. Go to Worklist > Edit Study screen > **STUDY FORMS**.

2. In the **Select Study Forms** dropdown list, select a form to add it to the forms table.

3. To view, fill in, or sign the form, double-click it in the table.

4. Fill in as necessary, and then select **SAVE.**

5. Optional. To add an electronic signature, select **ADD SIGNATURE**, enter signature information, sign by drawing with the mouse, select **SAVE** or **SAVE TO PATIENT DOCUMENTS**, and then close the signature dialog.

6. Close the form.

7. Optional: To print forms in the list, select their checkboxes and then select **PRINT SELECTED**.

8. Optional: In the forms table, next to the **Patient Portal** column header, select the checkbox to make the forms available in the patient portal.

See also:

[Draw on a study form image](#)

Draw on a study form image

While filling out a form, you can draw basic shapes on any images included in the form.

Prerequisite: [Create a study form](#)

Procedure

1. Go to [Worklist](#) > [Edit Study screen](#) > **STUDY FORMS**.

2. Double-click the form name to open it.

2. Hover over an image on the form to display the drawing toolbar.

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Do any of the following:

- Select **Color Picker** (7) and then select a color to apply to items that you draw.
- Select **Rectangle** (2), **Ellipse** (3), and then drag on the image to place the shape.
- Select **X-Stamp** (4), and then click to place the stamp.
- To edit a shape, select **Select** (5), select the shape, and then drag to move the shape, or drag the shape's handles to resize.
- To delete selected shapes or stamps, select them and then select **Delete** (6).
- To delete all shapes and stamps, select **Clear** (1).

See also:

Add a study form to a patient record

Specify a follow-up exam

If a patient needs a follow-up exam, you can specify the need for the follow up and the general time frame. To schedule follow-up exams, see Schedule a follow-up.

Procedure

1. Go to Worklist > Edit Study screen > **FOLLOW UP**.
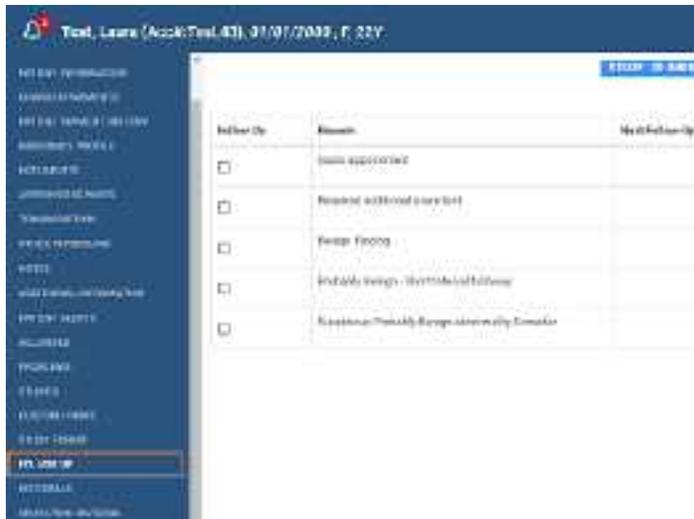
2. In the **Follow Up** column, select a reason for the follow-up.

3. In the **Next Follow-Up** column, select a time horizon for the follow-up.

4. Select **SAVE.**

Refer a patient

You can refer a patient to a provider, and view existing referrals.

Procedure

1. Go to Worklist > Edit Study screen > **REFERRALS**.
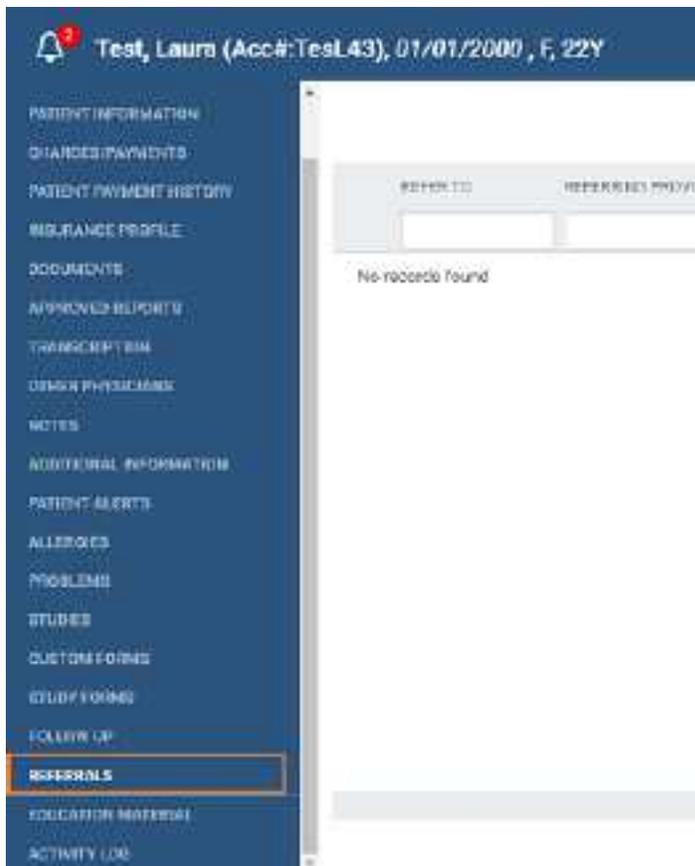
2. In the upper-right part of the editing pane, select **ADD.**
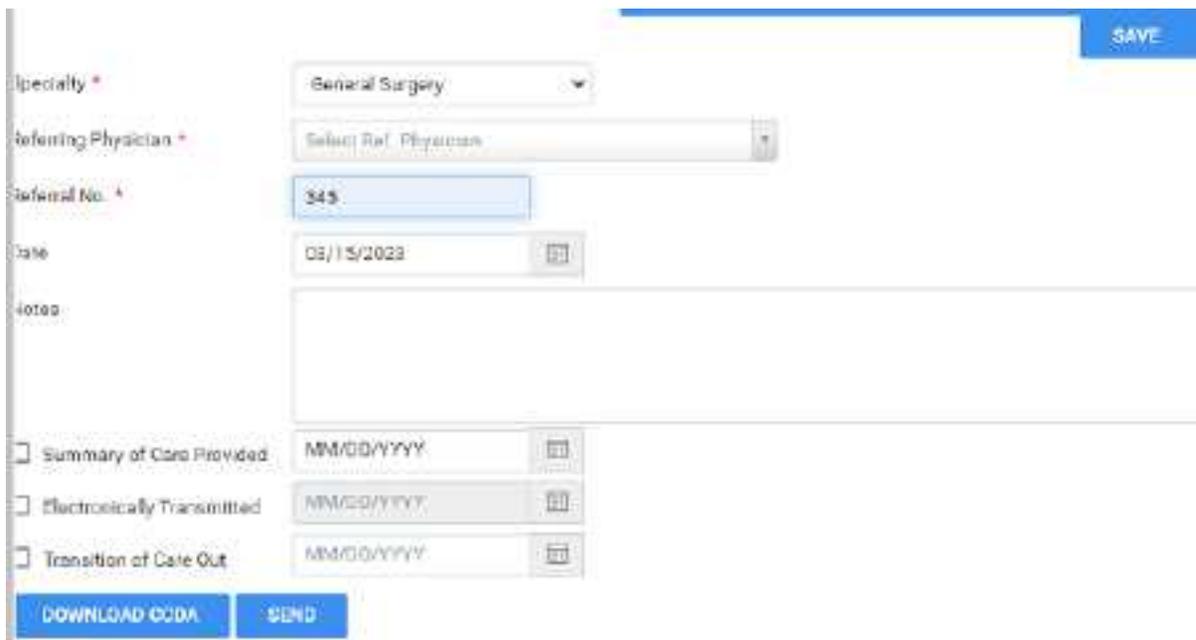
3. Enter referral information and then select **SAVE.**

4. To send the referral to the provider, select **SEND**, enter message information and attach documents, and then select **SEND**.

View activity logs

You can view a log of program activity and export the log to Excel.

Procedure

1. Go to Worklist > Edit Study screen > **ACTIVITY LOG**.
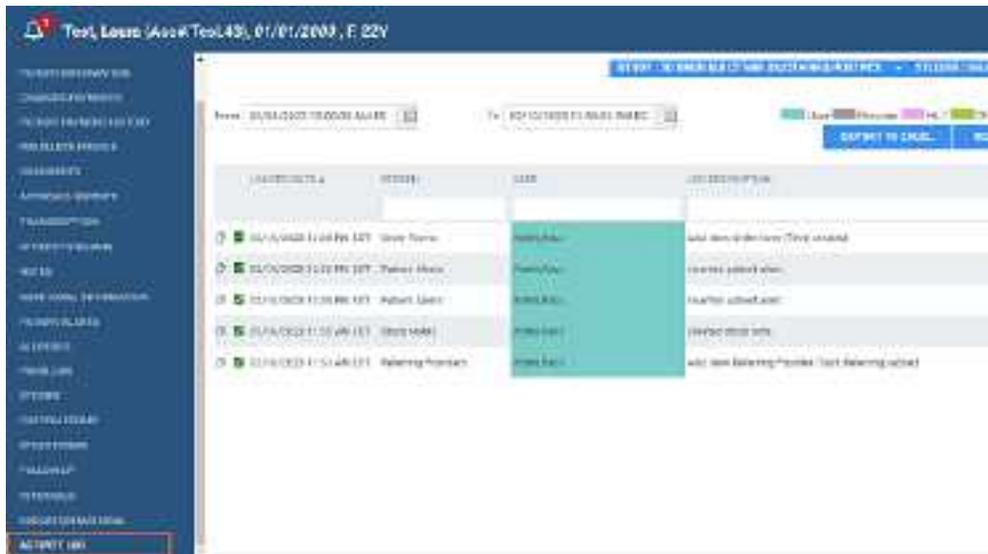
2. Change the range of dates to filter the activity that you want to view.

3. To view details of an entry, double-click the entry.

4. Optional. To export the longs, select **EXPORT TO EXCEL**.

Exam screen for technologists

Users signing in with a technologist user account see a technologist-specific version of the Edit Study screen that helps them work more efficiently. To open the screen, select the edit ✎ button in a worklist study row.

Exam screen for technologists: top left (left) and top right (right)

See also:

[Configure a technologist](#)
[Use the exam screen for technologists](#)

Use the exam screen for technologists

To use the exam screen for technologists (the *Technologist screen*):

Prerequisites: [Configure a technologist](#).

Procedure

1. Sign in to Exa PACS/RIS as a technologist or a user linked to a technologist.

2. Select the edit ✎ button in a worklist study row.

   Result: The Technologist screen opens.

3. Near the upper-left part of the screen, select a study tab (an accession number).

4. Proceed with technologist workflow, using the settings and tools described in the following table.

Setting	Description
🔔	View patient alerts.

Setting	Description
Appointment Type	If the original appointment type was incorrect or otherwise changed after scheduling, you can select a new one. Note: It may be necessary to authorize all or parts of any new appointment type you select.
[Other settings]	Select as needed.
TECH START/END	Select upon starting and ending the exam. Exam duration statistics are recorded based on the times these buttons are selected, and are used in reporting.
TECH PAUSE	Select when an exam is interrupted, such as by a difficult patient.
UNREAD	Select to reset the study's status to Unread.
Notes (Study, Schedule, Patient, Reason)	Select a category of note, and then type notes. If macro notes were configured (see Configure macro notes), you can select them from the dropdown list.
ABORT	Select to abort the exam, such as in an emergency.

5. Select **SAVE**.

6. Optional. In the lower-right part of the screen, select one or more of the following.

Setting	Description
Documents	Select to view or add documents to the study or order. See Scan to a patient.
Studies	Select to view a list of prior studies for the current study. Opens the STUDIES tab of the Edit Study screen.
Study Forms	Select to add, edit, or delete study forms from the study. Opens the STUDY FORMS tab of the Edit Study screen.
Add Charges	Add new charges to an exam (see Add charges and NDCs in the exam screen for technologists).

7. Select **SAVE**.

Add charges and NDCs in the exam screen for technologists

Technologists can add charges to an exam if needed for such things as when contrast is used. The charges correspond to CPT codes, and any associated NDC codes.

Procedure

1. Open a study in the **Technologist** screen, and then select **Add Charges**.

2. In the **Add Additional Charges** dialog, select **ADD CHARGE**.

3. In the **CPT Code** column, select the CPT code for the additional charge.

   Note: Alternatively, you can select the CPT Description.

4. Optional. In the **NDC** column, select the add ⊕ button, and then search for a code to add in the **Search NDC Codes** list.

5. Modify the following settings as necessary.

Setting	Description
NDC Package Code	Type the code from the manufacturer.
Strength	Type the strength of the active ingredient, then select the units of strength in the list.
Unit of Measure	Type the unit of measure.
Lot Number	Type the lot number of the drug.
Amount Used	Type the amount of drug administered.
Route	Select the administration method for the drug.
Needle Gauge	If a needle was used, select the gauge.
Reaction	Select if any reaction occurred.
Package Description	Type the description of the package from the manufacturer.
Labeler Name	Type the name of company corresponding to the labeler code segment in the Product NDC.
Expiration Date	Type the expiration date of the drug.
Units	Type the number units (e.g. vials) used.
Admin Site	Select the site where the drug was administered.
Administered By	Select the person who administered the drug.

6. Select **SAVE**.

See also:

Use the exam screen for technologists

Dictation and transcription with Exa Trans and nVoq

With Exa Trans, you can dictate and transcribe simultaneously with nVoq voice recognition. One advantage of nVoq is that it is a "zero footprint" solution for higher performance. Alternatively, you can dictate findings in Exa Dictation and transcribe them manually. If your implementation of Exa PACS/RIS offers nVoq, the Dragon feature is not available.

Turn on Exa Trans and nVoq

You must turn on Exa Trans and nVoq before using them.

Prerequisites:

- nVoq is only available if a user account was created for you when Exa PACS/RIS was installed.

- Install Exa Trans. Refer to Confluence articles to install and update the latest version supported by the version of the Exa platform on which it is installed.

Procedure

1. Go to Worklist > **Settings** > User Settings.

2. On the right side, under **Voice recognition**, select **nVoq (Exa Trans)**.

3. Select **SAVE.**

4. Sign out of Exa PACS/RIS, and then sign in again.

Configure substitutions

You can add substitutions (voice macros) to nVoq.

Prerequisite: Turn on Exa Trans and nVoq.

Procedure

1. In the worklist, find an unread study and select its transcription ▤ button.

2. In **Exa Trans**, on the **nVoq Options** tab, select **Substitutions**.

3. Optional. To view previously saved substitutions, select **Substitution List**.

4. In the **New Substitution** dialog, enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Level	Select Account to make the substitution available only to you. Select Organization to make the substitution available to all.
Spoken	Type the voice macro command (the word or phrase spoken to activate the substitution).
Description	Type a description of the substitution.
Written	Type the text that nVoq substitutes (inserts) when the voice macro command is spoken.

5. Select **Save**.

Configure vocabulary

You can add words and phrases to nVoq's vocabulary so that it can recognize proper names of people, places, product names, and uncommon words.

Prerequisite: Turn on Exa Trans and nVoq.

Procedure

1. In the worklist, find an unread study and select its transcription button.

2. In **Exa Trans**, on the **nVoq Options** tab, select **Vocabulary**.

3. In the **Vocabulary** screen, select one of the following:

- **Account** - The current vocabulary is available only to the current user.
- **Organization** - The current vocabulary is available to all users in the facility.

4. In the **Written** box, type a word or phrase.

5. Optional: In the **Sounds Like** box, type pronunciation.

    Note: Usually leave this blank. Try adding pronunciation if nVoq frequently fails to recognize the word or phrase.

6. Select **Save**.

Dictate and transcribe a study

With the integrated nVoq application, you can use Exa Trans to dictate and transcribe findings simultaneously. If you pause dictation, during the next 30 seconds you can use voice commands or resume dictation without losing the connection to nVoq. After the 30 seconds, dictation "stops," and the connection closes. To dictate multiple studies at once, see About Linked Reporting.

Prerequisite: Turn on Exa Trans and nVoq.

Procedure

1. In the worklist, find an unread study and select its transcription ▣ button.

2. In the **Exa Trans** window, in the **Templates** dropdown list, select a template.

    - You can "call in" (open) a template with a macro keyword if it appears in the template list.

    - Select **All** to show all templates, or clear to show only templates applicable to the current study.
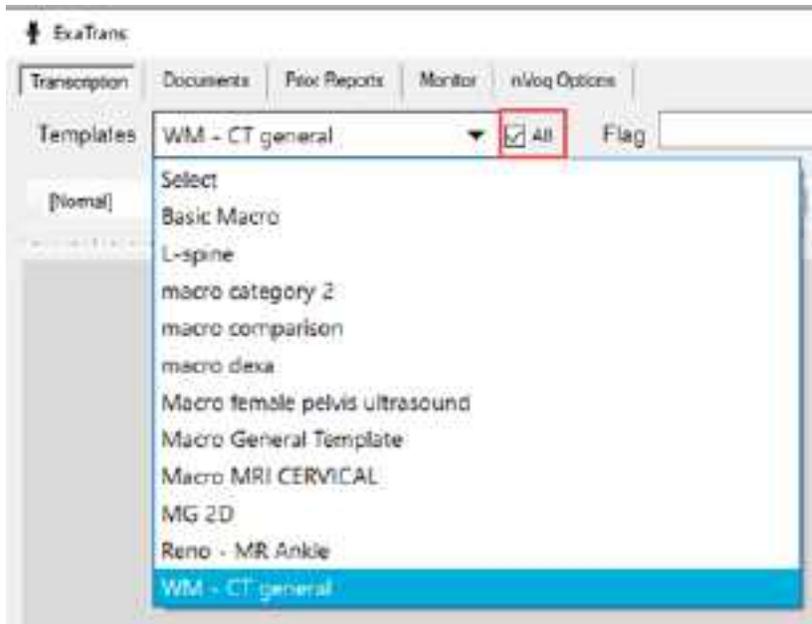
3. Press the button on the microphone, and then begin dictating. Press the button again to pause/stop.

   Note: You can also select the dictation 🎙 button in the bottom-right corner of the screen to start recording, and 🎙 to pause.

4. Optional. To view the hypothesis during dictation, select the **Show Hypothesis** link.

5. Select **Save**.

See also:
Configure substitutions
Configure vocabulary
Use voice commands
Customize Exa Trans for nVoq

Use voice commands

When using nVoq in Exa Trans, in addition to substitutions, you can use the voice commands described in the following table.

Command	Description
[voice macro keyword]	Runs the pre-configured voice macro to open a transcription template.
Select [word or phrase]	Selects words and phrases. Example: Say, "Select cardiac arrest" to select the word "cardiac" followed by the word "arrest."
Select [word] through [word]	Selects a range of words

Command	Description
	Example: Say, "Select food through department" to select the phrase "food and beverage department."
Next variable Next field	Selects the next set of brackets within the report and their contents.
Previous variable Previous field	Selects the previous set of brackets within the report and their contents.
Next line New line	Adds a line after the current line
Letter Capital	Capitalizes the current letter
Caps	Capitalizes the first letter of the current word
Caps on Caps off	Turns capitalization off the first letter of all words ON and OFF
All caps	Capitalizes all letters in the current word
All caps on All caps off	Turns capitalization of all letters of all words ON and OFF
Lowercase Overwrite	Sets the first dictated word in lowercase
Numeral one period One period	Creates a numbered list and capitalizes the first letter of each list item
Number next Next number	Creates a numbered list, capitalizes the first letter of each list item, and adds a new line before each item
Letter next Next letter	Creates a lettered list, capitalizes the first letter of each list item, and adds a new line before each item.
Scratch that Delete that	If text is currently selected, deletes the selection. If text is not currently selected, deletes the previously transcribed phrase. Repeat the command to delete the 10 most recently entered instances of stable text.
Undo	Undoes the 10 most recent user actions, including dictation of text or use of other voice commands (same as the Windows Undo command).
Punctuation	
Period	.
Comma	,
Colon	:

Command	Description
Semicolon	;
Hyphen Dash Minus sign	-
Question mark	?
Exclamation mark Exclamation point	!
Open paren Open parenthesis	(
Close paren Close parenthesis	)
Open brace Open curly brace	{
Close brace Close curly brace	}
Open bracket Open square bracket	[
Close bracket Close square bracket	]
Less than sign Open angle bracket	<
Greater than sign Close angle bracket	>
Hash sign Number sign Pound sign	#
At sign	@
Asterisk Asterisk sign	*
Ampersand And sign	&

Command	Description
Tilde sign	~
Forward slash Slash	/
Back slash	\
Double slash	//
Quote Open quote Open double quote Start quote	"
Unquote Close quote Close double quote End quote	"
Open single quote	'
Close single quote	'
Apostrophe	'
Apostrophe S	's
Percent sign	%
Ellipsis	…
Dollar sign	$
Equal sign	=
Plus sign	+
Multiplication sign	*
Division sign	÷
Plus or minus sign	±
Underscore sign	_
Vertical bar		
One quarter sign	¼
One half sign	½

Command	Description
Three quarters sign	¾
Dates and Times	
March seventeen two thousand twenty-three March seventeen twenty twenty-three	March 17, 2023
Three seventeen twenty twenty-three Three slash seventeen slash twenty twenty-three	3/17/2023
Three dash seventeen dash twenty twenty-three	3-17-2023
Two p m	2 p.m.
Two thirty a m	2:30 a.m.
Between two p m and five p m	Between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m.
Zero eight hundred hours Oh eight hundred hours	0800 hours
Zero zero twenty two hours Zero zero two two hours	0022 hours
Numbers, dollars, and cents	
One hundred	100
one hundred twenty	120
Three hundred fifty two	352
Point five Zero point five	0.5
Seventy five dollars and fifty cents	$75.50
Roman fifteen (1-19 available only)	XV

See also:

Add a transcription template

Edit and approve transcriptions

You can edit and approve saved transcriptions.

Note: If approving a main study, any activity related to TAT recording affects any of its linked studies (see About Linked Reporting).

Prerequisite: Turn on Exa Trans and nVoq.

Procedure

1. In the worklist, select the transcription ▦ button of a dictated study.

2. In the editing screen, review the transcription, make any needed changes, and then select **Save**.

3. Select **e-Sign & Approve**, or **Approve and Next**.

Add a dictation or transcription addendum

After approval, transcriptions cannot be edited. However, physicians and transcriptionists can add addendums in order to correct mistakes or insert new information.

Prerequisite: Turn on Exa Trans and nVoq.

Procedure

1. In the worklist, select the transcription ▦ button of an approved study.

2. To add a *dictation* addendum, repeat the steps in Dictate and transcribe a study.

   Exa PACS/RIS reverts the status of the dictation from Approved to Dictated.

3. To add a *transcription* addendum, select **Add Addendum**.

4. Type new text, and then select **Addendum Save**.

5. Select **Addendum Submit for Review**.

   Exa PACS/RIS reverts the status of the dictation from Approved to Transcribed.

Customize Exa Trans for nVoq

1. In a text editor, open **..Exa/trans/bin/KMHA.exaTrans.WinApp.exe.Config**.

2. Edit the following lines in the file per customer preferences.

Setting	Line	Value
Microphone record button	<add key="HoldRecord" value="0" />	0 = Set to toggle on/off. (default) 1 = Set as a Hold to Record/Deadman switch
Show/hide hypothesis text	<add key="ViewHypothesisText" value="1" />	0 = Hide 1 = Show
Pin hypothesis text	<add key="PinHypothesisText" value="1" />	0 = Unpin (text moves with the cursor) 1 = Pin (pins text to the left side of the Exa Trans window)
Mic button triggers Approve	<add key="ApproveOnMic" value="Off" />	Off = Mic buttons do not trigger Approve and Approve & Next On = Mic buttons trigger Approve and Approve & Next

Dictation and transcription with WebTrans

You can dictate findings in Exa Dictation and transcribe them in Web Trans. Web Trans features a multipanel interface with advanced functionality.

See also:

[Dictation and transcription with Exa Trans and Dragon](#)
[Dictation and transcription with Exa Trans and nVoq](#)

Turn on Exa Dictation and WebTrans

Depending on your installation configuration, you must turn on Exa Dictation and Web Trans before using them by following these steps:

Prerequisite: [Install Exa Dictation](#).

Procedure

1. On the worklist, select the settings button, and then in the button shortcut menu, select **User Settings**.

2. On the right side of the screen, under **Voice recognition**, select **Dictation**.

3. Select **SAVE.**

Dictate a study

The Web Trans transcription editor does not currently support dictation, but radiologists can use the following procedure to record dictation without simultaneous transcription (while Dragon is OFF). This feature uses a dictation toolbar with record, rewind, play/pause/stop, fast forward, and upload buttons.

Procedure

1. In the worklist, double-click an unread study to open it in the viewer.

2. Select a template from the dropdown list, or use a voice macro to open it.

3. On the dictation toolbar, select the record button, and then dictate your findings.

   Note: If needed, you can select pause during dictation.

4. When finished, select the stop button.

5. To review your dictation, rewind the recording and then select the play button.

   Note: You can record over parts of your dictation that you want to change.

6. When you are satisfied with the results, select the upload button to add your dictation to the study.

   Note: Skip this step if you selected Auto Upload Dictation on Close.

See also:

Add a transcription template
Configure autosave options

Open and organize WebTrans

The WebTrans window contains dedicated panels for managing transcription, notes, documents, and prior reports.

Prerequisite: Turn on Exa Dictation and WebTrans.

Procedure

1. In the worklist, find an unread study and select its multipanel transcription button.

2. In the WebTrans multipanel, on the toolbar, select one or more of the following buttons:

   1 Open or close **all** panels

   2 Open or close the **Notes** panel

   3 Open or close the **Documents** panel

   4 Open or close the **Prior Reports** panel

3. Drag panels within the WebTrans screen to reposition them.

Edit and approve transcriptions in WebTrans

The WebTrans transcription editor does not currently support dictation playback, but you can edit and approve submitted transcriptions.

Note: If approving a main study, any activity related to TAT recording affects any of its linked studies (see About Linked Reporting).

Prerequisite: Turn on Exa Dictation and WebTrans.

Procedure

1. On the worklist, in the relevant study row, select the multipanel button.

2. In the **Transcription editor** panel, review the transcription, make any needed changes, and then select **Save**.

3. Select **Approve** or **Approve & Next**.

4. In the **Providers** dialog, select the approving provider and select **Approve**.

Enter notes in WebTrans

You can add study notes and reasons for study in the Notes panel of WebTrans.

Procedure

1. On the worklist, in the relevant study row, select the multipanel ▦ button.

2. In the multipanel, open the **Notes** panel.

3. In the **Notes** panel, select the **STUDY NOTES** or **REASON FOR STUDY** tab.

4. If entering a study note, select a study date.

5. Type notes in the space provided, and then select **SAVE**.

Manage documents in WebTrans

You can view all documents attached to a study in the Documents panel of WebTrans. The Documents panel displays up to two documents at once, and you can select which documents to display.

Procedure

1. On the worklist, in the relevant study row, select the multipanel ▦ button.

2. In the **Documents** panel, select the document buttons to show or hide currently open documents in viewing frames.

The buttons labels indicate the document selected for viewing, the default document type set by the user in the panel, or the last-viewed document types

3. If more than two documents are available, you can open a new one by dragging a document metadata block from the top of the panel into a document viewing frame.
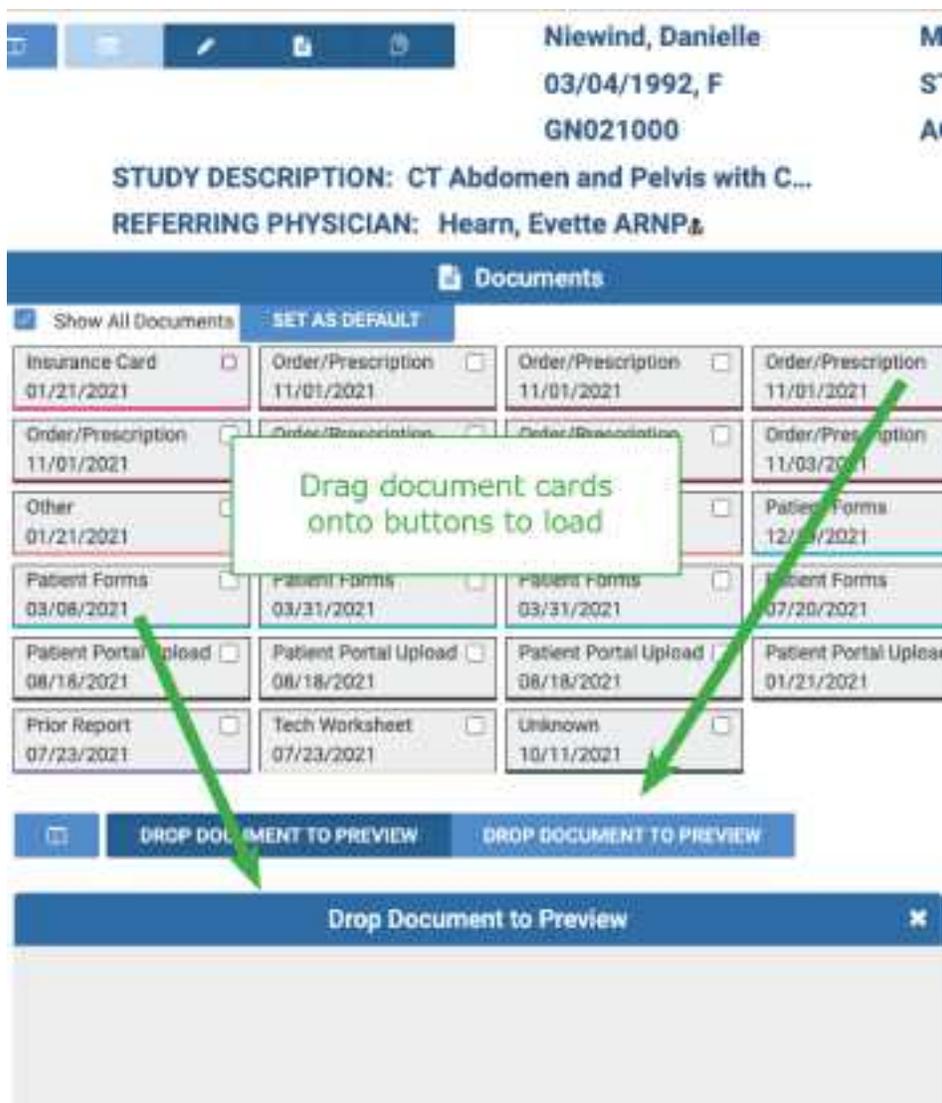
Manage prior reports in WebTrans

You can view, download, and print prior reports from the Prior reports panel of WebTrans.

Procedure

1. On the worklist, in the relevant study row, select the multipanel ▦ button.

2. In the **Prior reports** panel, in the left pane, select the block of metadata corresponding to the report that you want to view.

3. To download or print the report, in the right pane, hover over the report, and then select the download or print button in the toolbar that appears.

Dictation and transcription with Exa Trans and Dragon

With Exa Trans, you can dictate and transcribe simultaneously with Dragon voice recognition. Alternatively, you can dictate findings in Exa Dictation and transcribe them manually. If your implementation of Exa PACS/RIS offers Dragon, the nVoq feature is not available. To use the features of the Exa Panel for transcription related tasks, see Dictation and transcription with WebTrans.

Turn on Exa Trans and Dragon

You must turn on Exa Trans before using it by performing the steps that follow. You turn on Exa Trans indirectly by turning on the Dragon speech-to-text option in the user settings.

Prerequisite: Install Exa Trans.

Procedure

1. On the worklist, select the settings 🔧 button, and then in the button shortcut menu, select **User Settings**.

2. On the right side, under **Voice recognition**, select **Dragon**.

3. Select **SAVE.**

Dictate and transcribe a study

With the integrated Dragon speech-to-text application, you can use Exa Trans to dictate and transcribe findings simultaneously.

Prerequisite: Turn on Exa Trans and Dragon.

Procedure

1. In the worklist, find an unread study and select its transcription 📋 button.

2. In the **Exa Trans** window, in the **Templates** dropdown list, select a template.

3. Optional. To use a voice command, with the **Templates** dropdown list open, say, "Macro [*template name*]."

4. Place the cursor where you want to add text.

5. On the Dragon toolbar, select the record 🔴 button, and then begin dictating.

   Select stop when finished.

6. Select **Save**.

Edit and approve transcriptions

You can edit and approve saved transcriptions. If approving a main study, any activity related to TAT recording affects any of its linked studies (see About Linked Reporting).

Prerequisite: Turn on Exa Trans and Dragon.

Procedure

1. In the worklist, select the transcription button of a dictated study.

2. In the editing screen, review the transcription, make any needed changes, and then select **Save**.

3. Select **e-Sign & Approve**, or **Approve and Next**.

Add a dictation or transcription addendum

After approval, transcriptions cannot be edited. However, physicians and transcriptionists can add addendums in order to correct mistakes or insert new information.

Prerequisite: Turn on Exa Trans and Dragon.

Procedure

1. In the worklist, select the transcription button of an approved study.

2. To add a *dictation* addendum, repeat the steps in "Dictate a study."

   Exa PACS/RIS reverts the status of the dictation from Approved to Dictated.

3. To add a *transcription* addendum, select **Add Addendum**.

4. Type new text, and then select **Addendum Save**.

5. If not using Dragon, select **Addendum Submit for Review**.

   Exa PACS/RIS reverts the status of the dictation from Approved to Transcribed.

About using Exa Trans and WebTrans

Exa Trans and WebTrans (with the multipanel) are designed to work in sync. Exact behavior depends on various user rights, actions, and settings, as in the following examples.

Action/Condition	Effect
Close Exa Trans	Also closes WebTrans
WebTrans rights assigned	WebTrans available
Exa Trans rights assigned	Exa Trans available only if the Dragon user setting is also turned ON.

Action/Condition	Effect
Auto-Open Orders + "Documents" selected	If an order auto-opens, the Documents screen auto-opens.
Auto Open Orders enabled AND Viewer Settings > General > Display Settings > Monitor 1 = Documents	Documents auto-open in the Documents screen of the multipanel in Monitor 1.
Auto Open Orders disabled AND Viewer Settings > General > Display Settings > Monitor 1 = Documents	Documents do not auto-open, but if manually opened, they open in the multipanel in monitor 1.
Exa Trans and WebTrans enabled within Auto Open Orders	Exa Trans and WebTrans both open when an order auto-opens. You can configure which monitor they open in in the Display Settings, or leave blank to open in the main monitor.
Exa Trans set to auto-open AND WebTrans not enabled in Auto Open Orders	Only Exa Trans opens when a study opens (but you can still manually open WebTrans).
Set Exa Trans or WebTrans to open on a specified monitor	Manually opening Exa Trans or WebTrans opens it in the specified monitor.
WebTrans set to auto open in Auto Open Orders, but not Exa Trans	WebTrans auto opens when the viewer is opened, in the specified monitor, if so configured.
User selects the Exa Trans or WebTrans button on the worklist	Exa Trans or WebTrans opens on the same monitor as the worklist.
Exa Trans Esign & Approve	Study is approved, viewer closes, Exa Trans minimized.
Exa Trans Approve & Next	Study is approved, viewer and Exa Trans open with next available study.
Exa Trans Not Approve	Study status changes to Not Approved, viewer closes, and Exa Trans minimizes.
Exa Trans Skip	Study stays in Unread status, viewer and Exa Trans open with the next available study
Exa Trans Save	Study status changes to Draft, viewer and Exa Trans remain open with current study
Exa Trans Pre Approve	Study status changes to Pre-Approved, viewer closes, and Exa Trans minimizes
Exa Trans and WebTrans Esign & Approve	Exa Trans closes, WebTrans minimizes or closes
Exa Trans and WebTrans Approve & Next	Study status changes to Approve, viewer, Exa Trans, and WebTrans open with the next available study

Action/Condition	Effect
Exa Trans and WebTrans Not Approve	Study status changes to Not Approved, viewer, Exa Trans, and WebTrans minimize or close.
Exa Trans and WebTrans Skip	Study status remains Unread, the viewer, Exa Trans, and WebTrans open the next available patient or study.
Exa Trans and WebTrans Save	Viewer, Exa Trans, and WebTrans remain open. If the user closes the viewer, Exa Trans and WebTrans also close.
Exa Trans and WebTrans Pre Approve	Study status changes to Pre-Approved, viewer and WebTrans close.

QC operations

All DICOM studies from other AEs initially appear on the QC tab, and are automatically evaluated for conflicts with PACS studies, RIS orders, and other data based on user-defined receiver rules. The topics in this section describe how to resolve conflicts.

See also:

Understanding receiver rules

Prepare the QC tab

When received studies fail to match studies in the database, they appear on the QC tab of the worklist. To find conflicts needing reconciliation more easily, you can sort studies in the QC tab of the worklist by their QC status.

Procedure

1. On the worklist, select **Settings** > **User Settings**.

2. Under User Settings, select **Show QC**.

3. To show exams in *Completed* status, select **Show Completed in Pending List**.

   To show exams in *Conflict* status only, clear the checkbox.

4. Select **SAVE**.

5. On the worklist, select the **QC** tab.

6. On the search bar, click inside the **STATUS** box.

7. Select a status (such as "Conflicts") and select **APPLY FILTER**.

See also:

Reconcile conflicts by matching to a RIS order
Reconcile conflicts by manually editing demographics
Reconcile conflicts by creating an order
Move QC studies to the All Studies tab

Reconcile conflicts by matching to a RIS order

When received studies fail to match studies in the database, they appear on the QC tab of the worklist. To reconcile conflicts, start by trying to match the conflicting study to a RIS order.

Prerequisite: Prepare the QC tab.

Procedure

1. On the worklist **QC** tab, find a study whose status is **Conflicts**, and select the "reconciliation dot."

2. In the **Reconcile** dialog, under **Suggestions**, if an order in the list matches the **Current Study**, select its **SELECT** button, and then select **OK**. If no suggestion matches, skip to the next step.

   Result: The conflict is reconciled.

3. Under **RIS Orders**, search for more potential matches by typing criteria in the search boxes. If a match is found, select its **SELECT** button and continue as above.

   Hint: Find patients in your EHR or other sources for possible matches.

See also:

Reconcile conflicts by manually editing demographics
Reconcile conflicts by creating an order
Move QC studies to the All Studies tab

Reconcile conflicts by manually editing demographics

When received studies fail to match studies in the database, they appear on the QC tab of the worklist. If the conflict reason on screen is **Multiple matches/Account# conflicts for patients**, you can edit the demographics of the conflicting study to match a patient in the Exa PACS/RIS database, or vice versa (edit a patient in the database to match the conflicting study).

Prerequisite: Prepare the QC tab.

Procedure

1. On the worklist **QC** tab, find a study whose status is **Conflicts**, and select the "reconciliation dot."

2. In **Chrome**, open another instance of Exa PACS/RIS, and on the burger ▤ menu, select **PATIENT**.

3. Search for a patient chart that is likely to be the match for the conflicting study.

   Hint: Find patients in your EHR or other sources for possible matches.
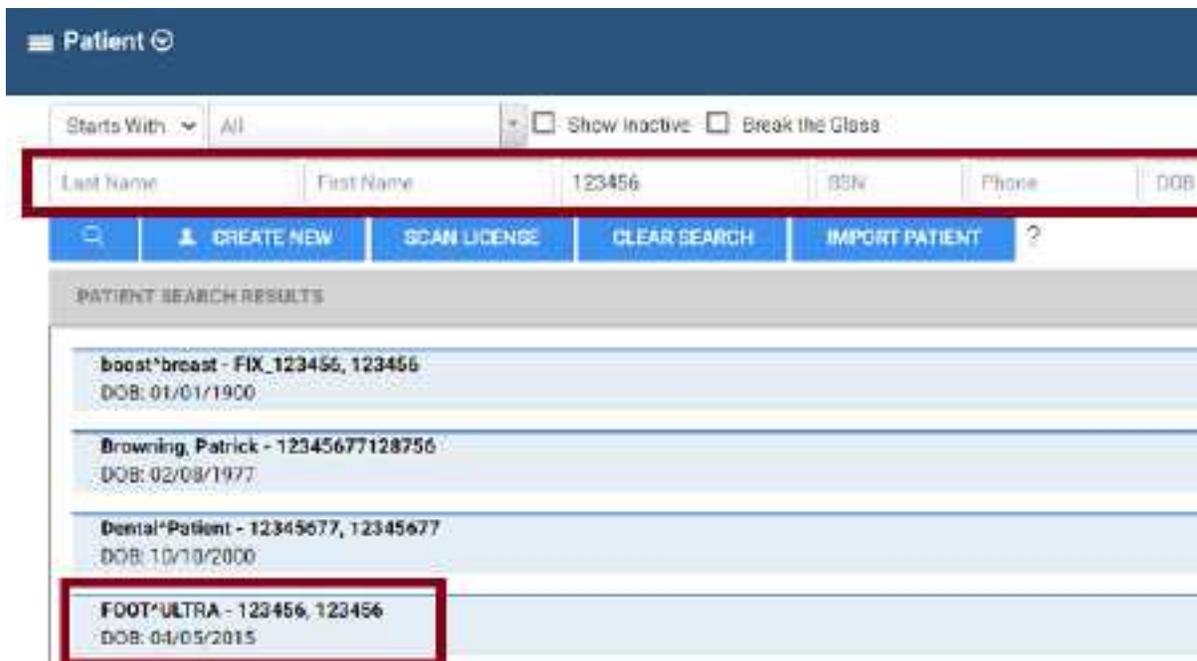
In the example, the MRN matches multiple studies -- select the correct one

4. Open the likely matching chart, edit demographics as necessary, and then select **SAVE.**

5. Confirm that the study no longer has a status of Conflicts.

See also:

Reconcile conflicts by matching to a RIS order
Reconcile conflicts by creating an order

Reconcile conflicts by creating an order

When received studies fail to match studies in the database, they appear on the QC tab of the worklist. If you cannot find a RIS order that matches or should match a conflicting study, you can reconcile by creating a new order that matches.

Prerequisite: Prepare the QC tab.

Procedure

1. On the worklist **QC** tab, find a study whose status is **Conflicts**.

   Record demographics you need to create an order (patient demographics, MRN, study information, etc.).

2. Create an order for the conflicting study by following the steps in A typical scheduling workflow.

3. On the **QC** tab, in the conflicting study's shortcut menu, select **Reconciliation**.

4. In the **Reconciliation** dialog, under **RIS Orders**, find the order you just created and select its **SELECT** button.

5. Confirm that the study no longer has a status of Conflicts.

See also:

Reconcile conflicts by matching to a RIS order
Reconcile conflicts by manually editing demographics
Move QC studies to the All Studies tab

Move QC studies to the All Studies tab

You can move a study in the QC tab to the All Studies tab without reconciling.

Prerequisite: Prepare the QC tab.

Procedure

1. In the worklist, select the **QC** tab, and then find a study that you want to move.

2. In the study's shortcut menu, select **Move to All Studies**.

See also:

Reconcile conflicts by matching to a RIS order
Reconcile conflicts by manually editing demographics
Reconcile conflicts by creating an order

Work with the Exa PACS/RIS viewer

Standard viewing tasks

Open a study in a viewer

In this manual, *viewer* refers to the Exa PACS/RIS viewer unless otherwise specified. To open a study, on a worklist study row, do one of the following:

- Select the ⊕ button to open the Exa PACS/RIS viewer.

- Select the 👁 button to open the Opal viewer.

- Configure Exa PACS/RIS to open studies in the viewer when you double-click them. Follow the steps in "Miscellaneous user settings" to configure the double-click behavior setting.

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CAUTION: Check for the presence of the lossless indicator in the lower-left corner of the image frame before proceeding with a diagnosis. If you adjust the image, wait until the lossless indicator turns green before diagnosis.

The red lossless indicator means the image has not yet fully loaded.

View priors and prior reports

From the Exa PACS/RIS viewer, you can open priors from a list, open then from the prior bar, and open prior reports.

Open a prior from a list

1. On the viewer toolbar, select the **Show Prior List** P button to open the list.

If an **R** appears in the R column, the prior includes a report. If the priors are linked:

> **R'**   The report is the main report.
>
> **R***   The report is a linked report (linked to the main report).

2. In the list, double-click a prior to open it in the viewer.

View priors with the Prior bar

If priors are included in a study that you open, you can view them by using the Prior bar. To show the Prior bar in the viewer, configure the **Use Modified Toolbar** setting (see Configure other interface settings).

The Prior bar contains the current and prior studies on the top row, and their image thumbnails on the bottom row (see figure). The study boxes show the age of the study, and depending on configuration, let you do one or more of the following:

- Hover over a study to display its details.
- Select a study to open the thumbnail bar.
- Double-click a thumbnail to open its image or series (for example, the right box in the top row of the figure).
- If a report is included, select its symbol to view.

Open a prior report

1. On the viewer toolbar, select the Prior Reports 🇷 button.

2. In the **Approved Reports** screen, on the left pane, select a prior report.

   Result: The report appears in the right pane (may take time to load).

   Note: If reports are linked, the link symbol appears (in the red circle in the figure).
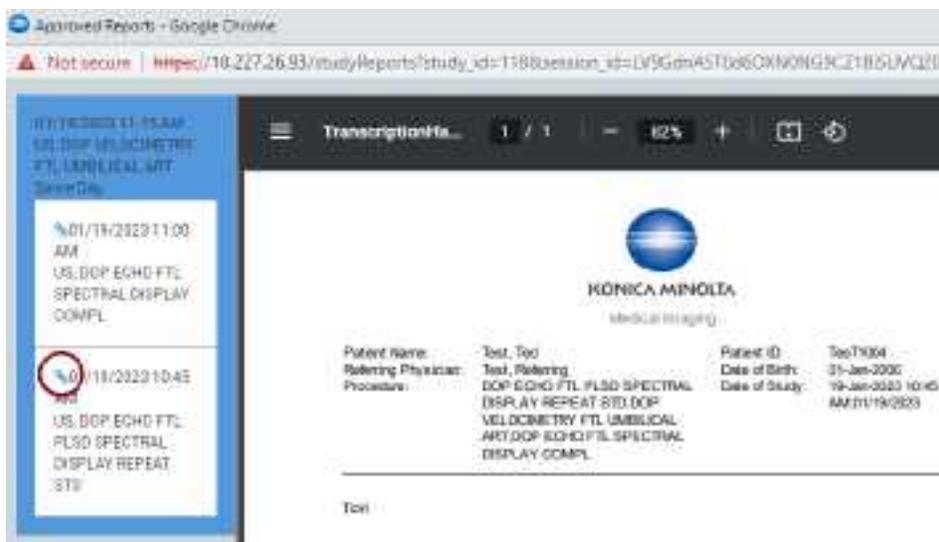
About viewing CAD findings

The Exa PACS/RIS viewer automatically displays image markers contained in SR data from supported manufacturers such as iCAD, DiA, Hologic (Malc findings, see below), and CureMetrix (such as the CureMetrix mammography calcification and density markings). To control which markings to display, select options in the SR CAD list (see Configure mammography).

Exa PACS/RIS uses tracking IDs in the SR data to ensure that when you click a 2D/synthesized image annotation it jumps correctly to the corresponding 3D/BTO image. Additionally:

- If the BTO series is not already open, it opens next to the 2D/synthesized view in a 1 x 2 layout. You can go back to the original layout by selecting the backslash key (if the DM was not interrupted).

- When 3D CAD SR markings are present and you hover over a CAD SR marking on the synthesized or 2D view, the color changes to the hover color configured in viewer interface settings.

Hologic Malc findings

Hologic ImageChecker CAD has a finding type called a Malc, which is a combination of one mammography breast density and one calcification cluster. When Malc findings are present in a CAD SR, the Exa PACS/RIS viewer displays them as a "compass" shape. The center point marking of the compass is determined by the center point of the child breast density. The total count of Malc findings appears in the top overlay next to the count for densities and calcifications.
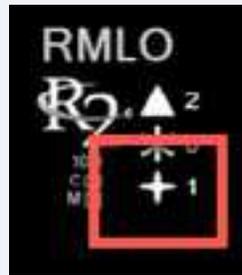
The Malc "compass" marking and count

See also:

Configure annotation colors
View studies with CAD findings

View studies with CAD findings

The Exa PACS/RIS Viewer supports 2D CAD findings for mammography and 3D tomographic series. Findings are displayed as overlays. To view CAD findings:

Prerequisites: Configure mammography (especially SR CAD options).

Procedure

1. Open a study containing CAD findings in the Exa PACS/RIS viewer.

   Result: The CAD button becomes available.

2. Select the CAD ▨ button, and then select findings to show.

   Example: **Calcification Clusters(3)** > **Show**

3. Optional: Select a finding to select a value for the 2D or synthesized view.

   Result: The screen changes to a 1 x 2 temporary view with the 2D image in one cell and the BTO series moved to the slice with the finding in the other. For example, if you select the RCC finding, the BTO series opens at the RCC slice.

CAD-related keyboard shortcuts

To easily move through series that include 3D CAD findings, you can use keyboard shortcuts (see Assign toolbar keyboard shortcuts). For example, you can use a keyboard shortcut to jump to the next finding in a BTO study, or turn Malc markings on and off.

See also:

About viewing CAD findings

View priors with the Prior bar

If priors are included in a study that you open, you can view them by using the Prior bar. To show the Prior bar in the viewer, configure the **Use Modified Toolbar** setting (see Configure other interface settings).

The Prior bar contains the current and prior studies on the top row, and their image thumbnails on the bottom row (see figure). The study boxes show the age of the study, and depending on configuration, let you do one or more of the following:

- Hover over a study to display its details.
- Select a study to open the thumbnail bar.
- Double-click a thumbnail to open its image or series (for example, the right box in the top row of the figure).
- If a report is included, select its symbol to view.

Send an image from the viewer

You can send the current image in the viewer to an application entity. If the image includes annotations, those annotations are included with the image according to the method you specify in the **Send Annotations as** setting (see Configure application entities).

Procedure

1. Optional: To send an annotated image back to its original AE, select **Viewer Settings** > **General** > **Auto Send Annotated Images on Close**.

2. Open a study in a viewer.

3. Optional: Add annotations.

   Note: ROI annotations are automatically sent as **weighted**.

4. Right-click the image and select **Send Image/Annotation**.

5. In the **Send Study** dialog, in the bottom pane, select one or more AEs.
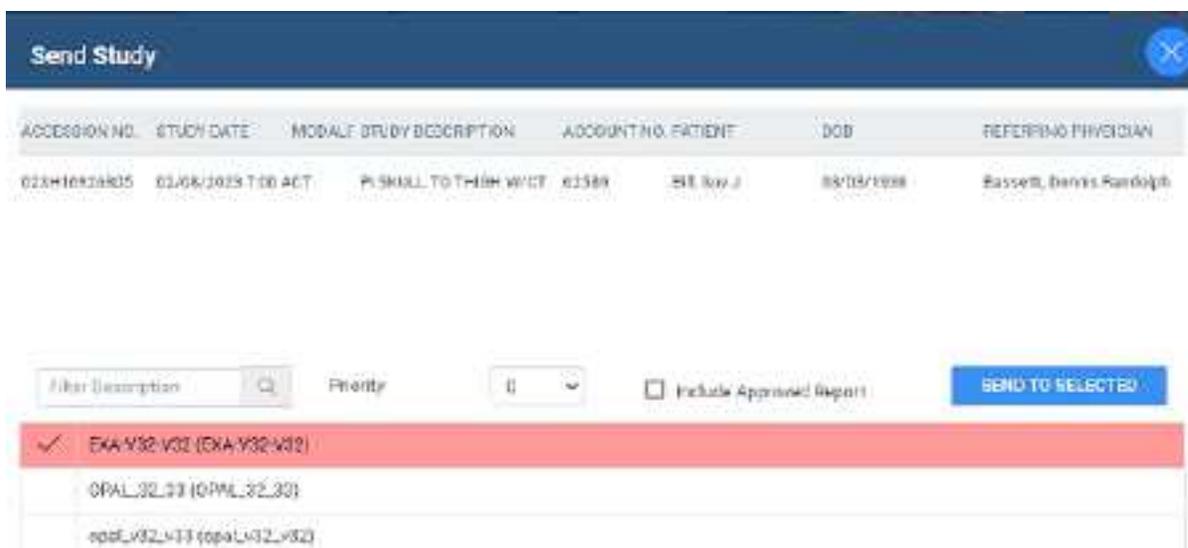
6. Select **SEND TO SELECTED** or **SEND TO ALL**.

See also:

DICOM-send studies, series, or images

DICOM-print a study

You can print the currently viewed image to a preconfigured DICOM printer. The current image prints, including any displayed annotations and overlays. See also Print images to a standard printer.

Note: You cannot print multiframe MR/CT or MG tomography images, or US echocardio series.

Prerequisite: Add the relevant tools to the image shortcut menu.

Procedure

1. Open a study in the Exa PACS/RIS viewer, right-click any image, and then select **DICOM Print**.

2. In the **DICOM Print** dialog, in the **Printer** dropdown list, select a printer.
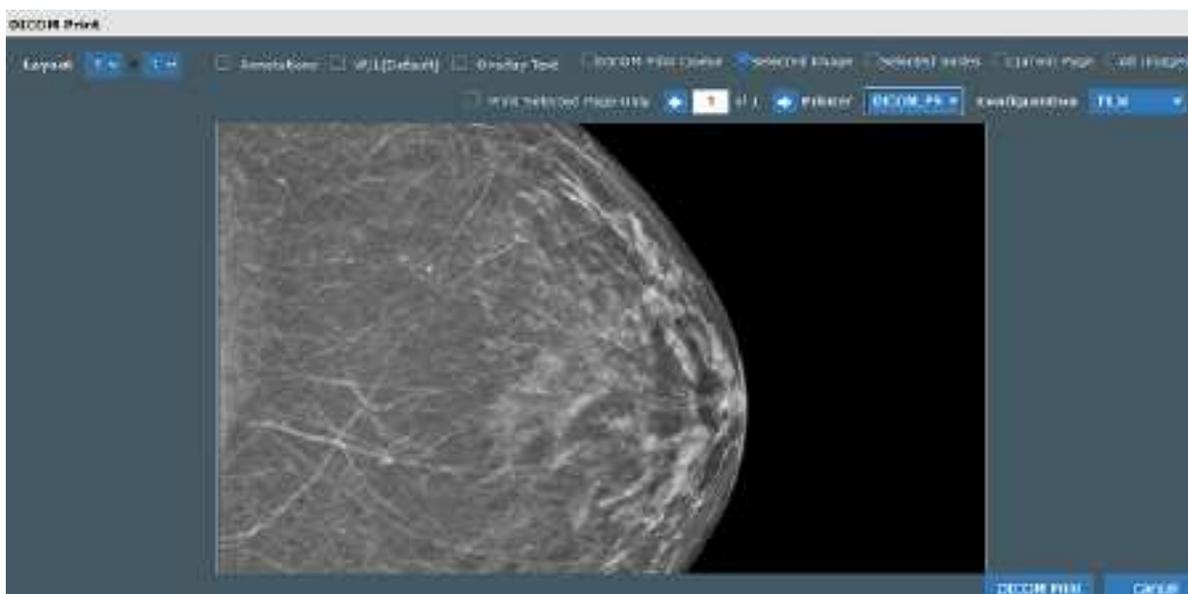
3. Enter the following remaining settings.

Setting	Description
Layout	Select Selected Series (see below) and then adjust the frame layout.
Annotations	Select to include annotations, or clear to exclude.
W/L (Default)	Select to print the image with its original window/level settings. Clear to select the current window/level setting.
Overlay Text	Select to include the DICOM overlay (as per-image detail), or clear to exclude.
Selected Image Selected Series Current Page Key Images All Images	Select to print the selected image, selected series, current page of images, key images, or all images.
Print Selected Page Only	
Prev / Next	Select to move through pages of the print preview.
Printer	Select a printer (selected earlier in this procedure).
Configuration	Select a printer configuration for the target print medium. To add or edit configurations, see Configure a DICOM printer.

4. Select **DICOM Print**.

Delete images and series

You can delete images and series from unapproved studies. When you delete a series, only images in the current stack and cell are deleted (even if a series is split across multiple cells). You cannot delete MPR-generated images.

Prerequisites:

- Obtain the **Study Delete** right from your administrator.
- Add the **Delete Series** and/or **Delete Images** commands to the shortcut menu (see "Add or remove tools from the image shortcut menu").

Procedure

1. In the Exa PACS/RIS viewer, right-click an image or series.

2. In the shortcut menu, select **Delete Image** or **Delete Series**.

Configure the viewer

In the Viewer Settings dialog, you can configure a wide variety of viewer options including display, interface, modality, toolbars, and shortcut menus. For details on operations in the Viewer Settings dialog, see other topics in this section. There are two ways to open the Viewer Settings dialog.

- In the Exa PACS/RIS viewer, in the upper toolbar, select the setting ⚙ button.
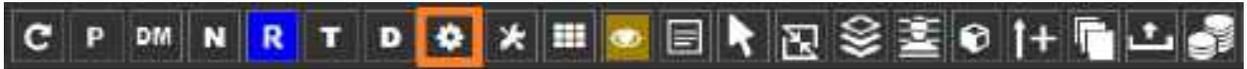
- In the worklist, on the upper toolbar, select the settings ⚙ button, and then in the button shortcut menu, select **Viewer Settings**.

Set up connected displays

Configure all connected monitors that you intend to use with Exa PACS/RIS. These settings act as default behavior for what study items open in which monitor. If DMs conflict with the settings you enter here, the DM takes precedence.

Prerequisite: Add the Chrome extension.

Procedure

1. Go to Viewer Settings > GENERAL.

2. Under **Display Settings**, in the **Monitors on System** box, select the update ↻ button to update the monitor count (or enter manually), and then select the identify 👁 button.
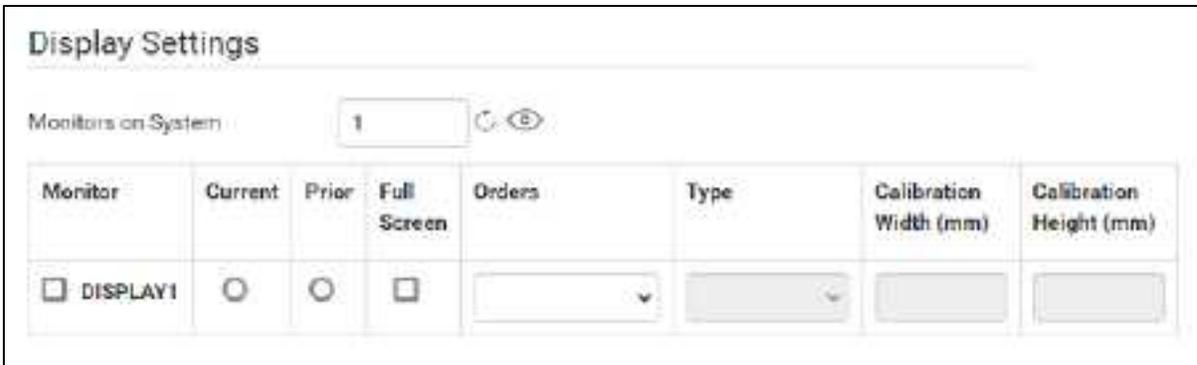
3. In the table of monitors, enter the settings in the following table.

   Note: At any time you can select the update ↻ button to preview your changes.

Setting	Description
Monitor	Select to make monitors available for image viewing. To display orders and studies on the monitor, clear this option.

Setting	Description
Current	Select to make monitors available to display current studies.
Prior	Select to make monitors available to display prior studies, if available.
Full Screen	Select to default to full screen view.
Orders	Select a screen of the program to open in the corresponding monitor when manually opening that section with a viewer tool, or when configured to open automatically. **Documents**: Opens the document list in the corresponding monitor when you select the ■ button in the viewer, or when Auto Open Documents is enabled. **Notes**: Opens the Notes screen in the corresponding monitor. **Transcription**: Opens the Transcription screen (Exa Trans, Web Trans, or other) in the corresponding monitor. **Other**: Select other screens in the list. To make options available, select them in the Auto Open Orders list (see Configure other interface settings).
Type	The color or grayscale display type.
Calibration Width/mm	Type a manual calibration width (appears on horizontal calipers)
Calibration Height/mm	Type a manual calibration height (appears on vertical calipers)

4. Select **SAVE.**

Configure autosave options

You can configure how the viewer performs automatic saving and other functions.

Procedure

1. Go to Viewer Settings > GENERAL.
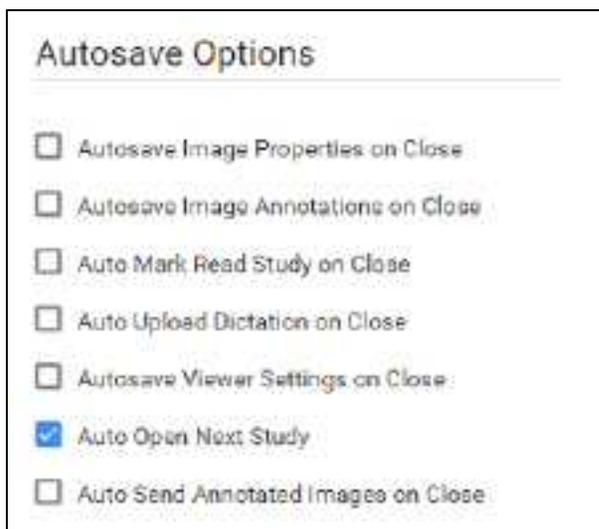
2. Under **Autosave Options**, enter the settings in the following table.

Setting	Description
Autosave Image Properties on Close	Automatically saves image properties such as the W/L when the image is closed. Saved properties are restored the next time the image is opened.
Autosave Image Annotations on Close	Automatically saves image annotations when the image is closed. Saved annotations are restored the next time the image is opened.
Auto Mark Read Study on Close	Automatically marks the study as "Read" when the study is closed. If Exa Dictation is in use and the workflow includes dictation and transcription, this option is disabled.
Auto Upload Dictation on Close	Automatically uploads recorded dictations to add to the study when the study is closed.
Autosave Viewer Settings on Close	Automatically saves any changed viewer settings such as toolbar configuration when closing the viewer.
Auto Open Next Study	When the current study is closed, automatically opens the next study in the worklist that is not partially deleted.
Auto Send Annotated Images on Close	Automatically sends images if they include annotations when the current study is closed.

3. Select **SAVE.**

Configure the toolbar

You can configure the appearance and other properties of the viewer toolbar. To configure specific toolbar buttons, see Add or remove toolbar tools.

Procedure

1. Go to Viewer Settings > INTERFACE.

2. Under **Toolbar**, enter settings described in the table below.
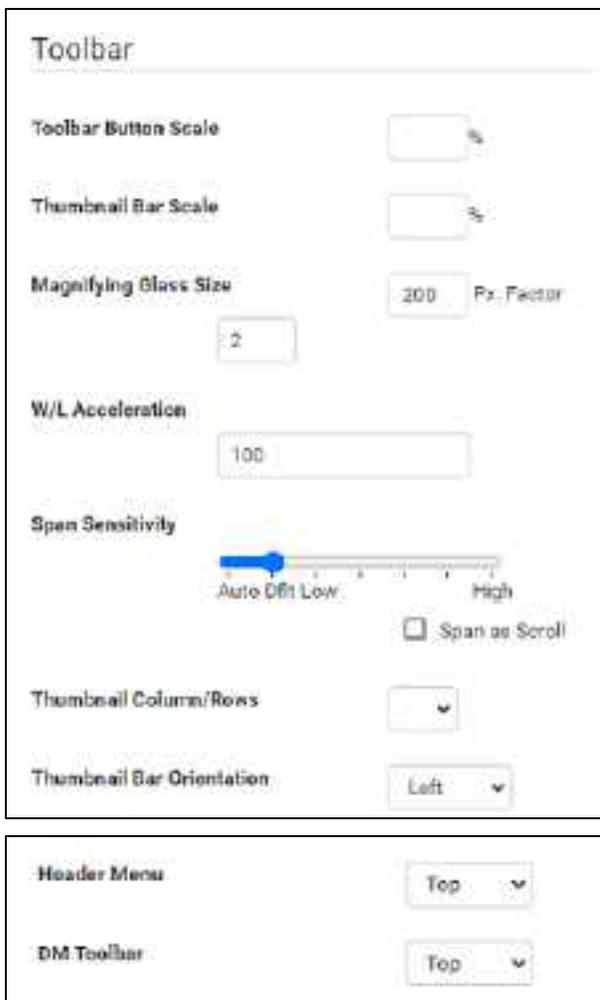
Note: You may need to update the viewer for changes to take effect.

Setting	Description
Toolbar Button Scale	Adjusts the size of toolbar buttons as a percentage of the screen resolution.
Thumbnail Bar Scale	Adjusts the size of the thumbnail bar.
Magnifying Glass Size	Adjusts the size of the area affected by the magnifying glass, and the pixel magnification factor (the single digit in the text box).
W/L Acceleration	Sets the rate or sensitivity of W/L adjustments. Typical range is 100–600.
Span Sensitivity	Sets the rate or sensitivity of span adjustments. **Auto** - Adjusts the speed automatically based on the number of images in the series. **Dflt** - The default sensitivity after upgrading to version 1.4.32_P1. This is the same sensitivity as the "0/Auto" sensitivity used in version 1.4.29. **Low/High** - Spans slowly or quickly.

Setting	Description
	Span as Scroll - Spans in correlation with the scroll bar. For example, if the series has 400 images, you can drag from the middle to the bottom of the frame on image 1 to span from 1 to 200.
Thumbnail Column/Rows	Sets the number of columns and rows for the thumbnail bar.
Thumbnail Bar Orientation	Sets the position and resultant orientation of the thumbnail bar. If you select Mirror, the thumbnail bar in the left monitor appears on the left side of the screen, and the thumbnail bar in the right monitor appears on the right side of the screen (available when the modified toolbar is not available).
Header Menu	Sets the position of the toolbar and other header items.
DM Toolbar	Sets the position of the DM toolbar.

3. Select **SAVE.**

See also:

Configure other interface settings

Configure calipers

You can configure the number and placement of calipers.

Procedure

1. Go to Viewer Settings > INTERFACE.

2. Under **Caliper Position**, select checkboxes for each caliper that you want to display, and then select **SAVE.**

Configure other interface settings

You can configure miscellaneous viewer toolbar and other settings.

Procedure

1. Go to Viewer Settings > INTERFACE.

2. Under **Other Toolbar**, enter the settings in table below.

Top...   ...middle...   ...bottom
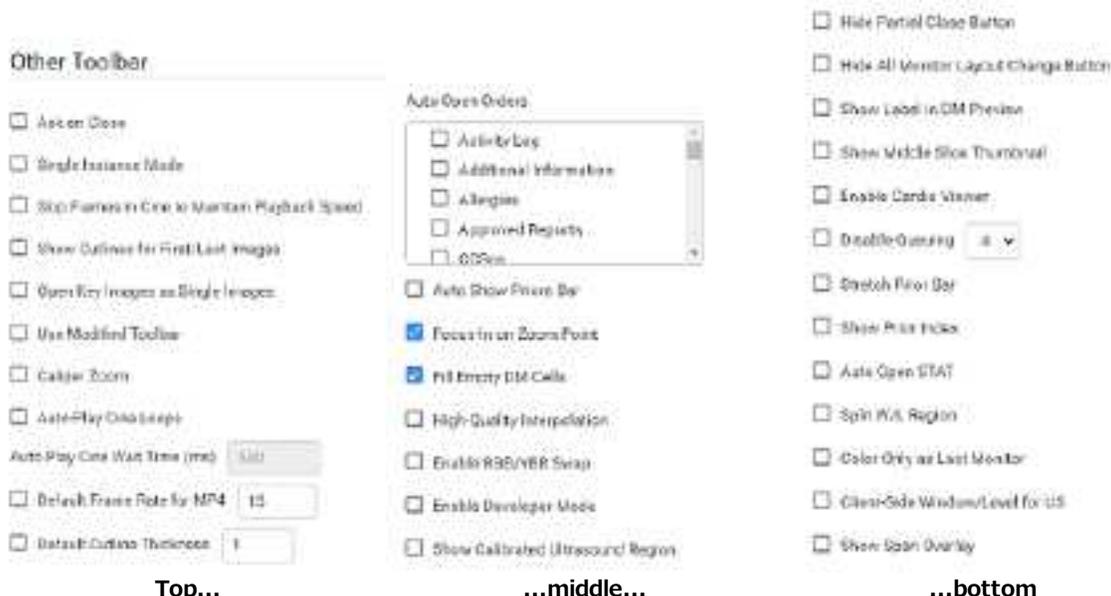
Setting	Description
Ask on Close	Prompts you to specify which items to save before closing the viewer, related to the Autosave options.
Single Instance Mode	Limits the viewer to one display frame per browser.
Skip Frames in Cine to Maintain Playback Speed	Skips large images in a cine loop so that the cine plays a fixed speed. Helpful with slower computers or video cards.
Show Cutlines for First/Last Images	Shows any available cutlines only on the first and last images of a series.
Open Key Images as Single Images	Displays any available key images separately in the thumbnail area. When cleared, shows all series images in the key image thumbnail area.
Use Modified Toolbar	Temporarily hides the thumbnail bar, and adds a Prior bar at the top of the screen that displays patient priors in order. You can hover over a prior to display series/image thumbnails, and select the thumbnails to open the images. Works in conjunction with the Auto Show Priors Bar option.
Caliper Zoom	If selected, you can drag the calipers to zoom the current image.
Auto-Play Cine Loops	Automatically plays cine loops when opened.
Auto Play Cine Wait Time (ms)	Sets a pause time before auto-playing cine loops.
Default Frame Rate for MP4	Sets a default frame rate for MP4 files.
Default Cutline Thickness	Sets a default thickness for cutlines.
Auto Open Orders	Selects the options that appear in the Orders dropdown list in Viewer Settings > General > Display Settings.

Setting	Description
Auto Show Priors Bar	Shows all prior studies in a separate bar at the top of the viewer.
Focus-In on Zoom Point	When selected, the user can drag on an image to zoom in and out at the initial pointer position.
Fill Empty DM Cells	Fills undefined DM frames with the next available images in the current study.
High-Quality Interpolation	Select to use high-quality image interpolation. Frequently used to enhance X-ray quality. You can use this option to remove unwanted "gridlines" if switching between earlier and high-resolution monitors.
Enable RGB/YBR Swap	Makes the color settings supported by the user video settings available. Corrects Red/Blue color reversal errors in venous US and other color-based modalities.
Enable Developer Mode	Shows development mode logs, and displays a vertical green line in the right side of each frame when the server performs a prefetch.
Show Calibrated Ultrasound Region	Server side setting.
Hide Partial Close Button	Hides the partial close button, an "X" that appears next to the logoff button. Partial closing closes the study, but leaves the viewer open for faster loading of future studies.
Hide All Monitor Layout Change Button	Hides the toolbar's monitor layout change button that appears when two or more monitors are made available.
Show Label in DM Preview	Shows the previews of hanging protocols in the DM bar.
Show Middle Slice Thumbnail	Shows only the thumbnail of the middle slice in a series on the thumbnail list.
Enable Cardio Viewer	[Unused]
Disable Queuing	Forces synchronous communication; client message and server response occur one at a time. CAUTION: We do not recommend changing this setting. Consult with your Konica-Minolta representative.
Stretch Prior Bar	Extends the prior bar across multiple monitors. If the prior bar exceeds the total available screen width, a scroll bar appears.
Show Prior Index	Displays the Prior index number in the thumbnail and Prior bars.
Auto open STAT	When you open a study in the Exa PACS/RIS viewer, this option automatically opens any STAT images, if included.
Split W/L Region	[Unused]
Color Only as Last Monitor	Chooses the color monitor as the last monitor on which to display images.

Setting	Description
Client-Side Window/Level for US	Processes the Window/Level for ultrasounds on the client side. May reduce lag by bypassing the server.
Show Span Overlay	Shows a span sensitivity adjustment slider on images.

3. Select **SAVE.**

See also:

Configure the toolbar

Configure annotation tool functionality

You can configure annotation tool functionality.

Procedure

1. Go to Viewer Settings > INTERFACE.

2. Under **Annotation**, enter the settings in the table below.

Setting	Description
Show Annotation	Shows annotations by default. The user can still hide them manually in the viewer.
One-Click Annotations	Changes from the selected annotation tool to the default cursor after each use. If cleared, the user can reuse the tool repeatedly without re-selecting the tool.

Setting	Description
Show One-Click Annotations Button	Shows a button in the viewer toolbar for turning one-click annotation on and off.
Annotation Edit Mode	Selects the Edit command in the image shortcut menu by default, to move, resize, or delete annotations.
Use Dot Cursor	Changes the standard arrow pointer to a dot pointer.
Edit Annotations after Creating	Causes the viewer to enter Edit mode after initial placement of an annotation.
Allow Drag Create	Creates annotations by dragging instead of selecting.
Confirm Annotation Delete	Prompts the user for confirmation when deleting annotations.
Persistent Annotation Tool	Makes a selected annotation tool available until the user selects a different tool. If cleared, the pointer changes to the default operation after using the tool.
Show Measurements In	Sets the units for any length measurements taken.

3. Select **SAVE.**

Configure annotation colors

You can configure the color of annotations to indicate whether they are selected, in edit mode, or applied.

Procedure

1. Go to Viewer Settings > INTERFACE.

2. Under **Colors**, to add an annotation color, select inside a color or grayscale box and then use the color picker to select a color.

Anno Color 1–5: Annotations appear in these colors by default.

Anno Color Edit: Annotations change to this color when you edit them.

Anno Color Hover: Annotations change to this color when you hover over them.

3. Select **SAVE.**

Configure annotation size and scaling

You can configure the pixel or font size of annotations, and scale annotation points.

Procedure

1. Go to Viewer Settings > INTERFACE.

2. Under **Miscellaneous**, enter the settings in the table below.

Setting	Description
Scale in Pixel Size	Determines the annotation font size by the pixel size.
Scale Annotation Font By	Sets the font size for annotations. Scale Pixel Size **ON**: Default is approximately 10 Scale Pixel Size **OFF**: Default is approximately 1 to 1.5
Scale Annotation Point By	Sets the size of annotation handles (from 0.1 to 5).
Invert SR Reports	If an SR appears within a cell, displays it in reverse video (such as white text on black background).
Default SR Report Font Size	Sets the default font size for text in SR reports that appear within a cell.

3. Select **SAVE.**

Configure recording

You can configure audio recording options for Exa Dictation.

Procedure

1. Go to Viewer Settings > INTERFACE.

2. Under **Record Control,** enter the settings in the table below.

Setting	Description
Hold for Record	Requires you to hold down the button for the duration of recording.
Beep on Record	Beeps when recording starts. The beep may be audible on resultant recordings.
Blink on Record Pause	Causes the microphone light to blink when recording is paused.
Monkey Chatter on Rewind	Plays "monkey chatter" sound when rewinding.
FFWD/RWD Factor (200–500)	Changes the rate of fast forward and rewind, in milliseconds.
Lag (0–5000)	Delays the response after selecting play or record by the specified amount of time, in milliseconds.

3. Select **SAVE.**

Show or hide tool buttons

You can hide certain tool buttons.

Procedure

1. Go to Viewer Settings > INTERFACE.

2. Under **Tool Buttons**, select the checkboxes of the items that you want to hide.

Tool Buttons

☐ Hide Document

☐ Hide Notes

☐ Hide Print

☐ Hide Reports

☐ Hide Transcription

3. Select **SAVE.**

About ROI and SUV values and units

Exa PACS/RIS can calculate selected types of SUV values and display them in selected units. When using these functions, consider the following.

- DICOM data from Philips – To calculate SUV values based on DICOM data from a Philips modality, if the data uses CNTS units, Exa PACS/RIS converts pixel values to BQML by using Philips private tags Scaling Factor [7053,xx00] and Activity Concentration Factor [7053,xx09]. However, if those tags are missing, the CNTS units are retained regardless of the SUV type you configure.
- If data required for calculations is not found in the DICOM source file, Exa PACS/RIS displays N/A in place of measurements.
- If ROI Selection Weighting is set to Exclusive, largest-valued or smallest-valued pixels falling partially outside an ROI are excluded from calculations.
- If DICOM-sending images with ROI annotations, they are automatically set to Weighted regardless of the user selection.

See also:

Configure fusion, ROI, and SUV options

Configure fusion, ROI, and SUV options

You can configure options for fusion, ROI, and SUV.

1. Go to Viewer Settings > INTERFACE.

3. Under **Fusion**, and under **ROI & SUV**, enter the settings in the table below.

Group	Setting	Description
Fusion	Auto Adjust for CT/PT Frame Count Mismatch	Select to reconstruct PET anatomy on fusion overlays between absent slices. Disable to display PET overlays only for slices originally included in the PT series.
ROI & SUV	ROI Show Size	Adds length and area measurements to ROI.
	Show Number of Pixels in ROI Selection	Select to show the number of pixels selected when annotating an ROI or selecting with the freehand tool.
	Show Number of Slices in ROI Selection	Select to show the number of slices selected when annotating an ROI or selecting with the freehand tool.
	ROI Selection Weighting	Select which pixels are included in an ROI. When **DICOM-sending** images with ROI annotations, they are sent as **Weighted** regardless of this setting. **Weighted**: Include pixels touching or within the ROI border, and assign a value based on the percentage of the pixel lying within the ROI. **Inclusive**: Include pixels touching or within the ROI border, and use the full pixel value.

Group	Setting	Description
		Exclusive: Include only pixels completely within the ROI border, and use the full pixel value.
	Enable SUV Calculations	Select to add SUV calculations to ROI annotations of PET SUV series and CT-PET fusion studies. Prerequisite: Your system administrator must also enable SUV in a separate procedure.
	Show SUV Type and Measurements in the ROI Header	Select to include the SUV type and measurements in the ROI header.
	Show SUV Units after Measurements	Select to include the SUV units following the measured values in the ROI header.
	Use Standard SUV Type Units (g/ml, cm2/ml)	Select to display SUV values using standard units for the SUV type. Clear to use the values stored in the DICOM file.
	Default SUV Type	Select the type of SUV calculation to perform.

4. Select **SAVE**.

See also:

About ROI and SUV values and units

Configure modality-specific viewing options

You can configure how studies appear in the viewer for all modalities, or for each specific modality.

Procedure

1. Go to Viewer Settings > **MODALITY**.
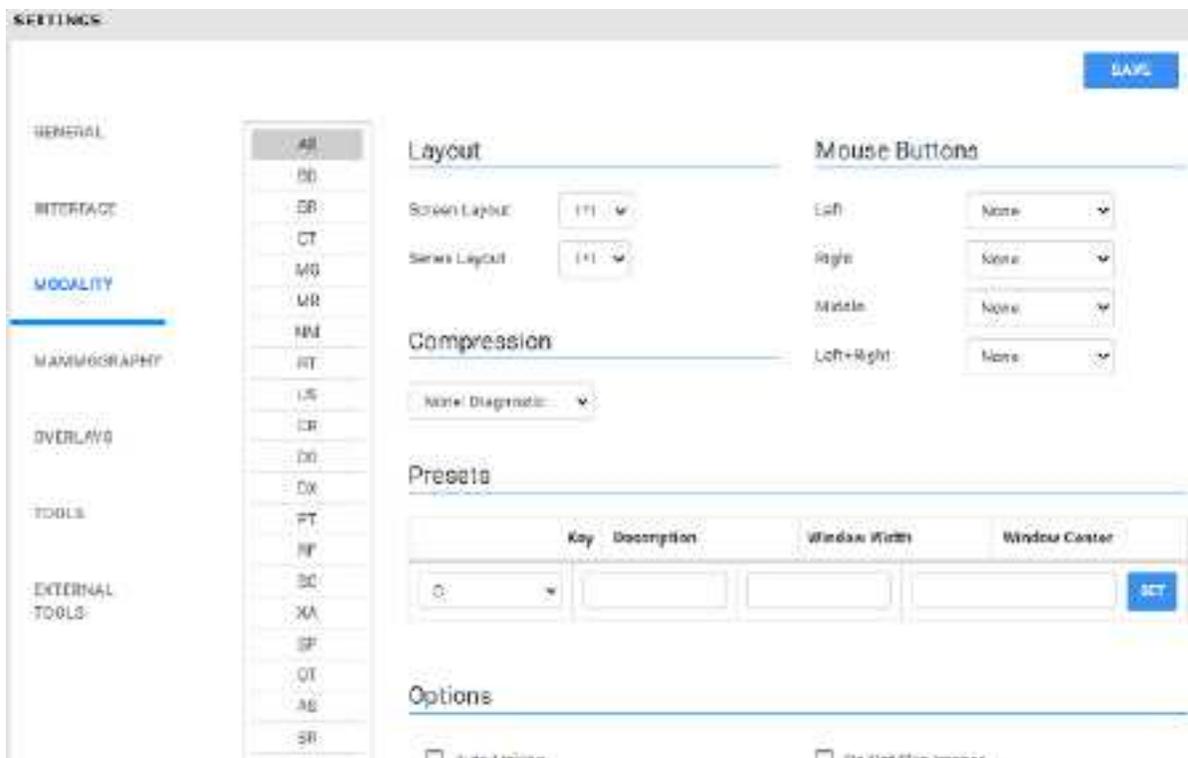
2. In the list of modalities, select a modality to configure.

3. Enter the settings in the following table.

Section	Setting	Description
Layout	Screen Layout	Changes the number and layout of series frames.
	Series Layout	Changes the number and layout of image frames within series frames.
Mouse Buttons	Left/Right/Middle/Left+Right	Assigns functions to mouse buttons. This is frequently used by CAD users to assign functions to extra mouse buttons.
Compression		Sets the image quality, which inversely affects viewer performance.
Presets	Key	Assigns shortcut keys to W/L presets.
	Description	Type a name for the W/L preset.
	Window Width	Sets the window width of the W/L preset.
	Window Center	Sets the window center of the W/L preset.
	Set	Select when finished entering Preset settings.
Options	Auto Linking	Automatically numerically links the current series projection (Sagittal, Coronal, and Axial) with all other like series projections in that study.

Section	Setting	Description
	Assume Color Study	Forces studies of the selected modality to appear in the default color monitor set in the display settings regardless of color.
	Assure All Viewed	Displays a check mark in thumbnails of images that were opened, and warns the user when closing before all images are opened.
	Auto CLAHE	Automatically applies CLAHE, enhancing image contrast.
	Auto Hang DM	Enables the use of DMs. Makes the first instance on the DM preview available to hang on the viewer.
	Auto DM Wrap	Enables moving from the final step of a DM directly to the first step, and back again.
	Auto Hang Priors	Automatically loads the first prior when the viewer opens. Works in conjunction with Auto Open Priors.
	Auto Replace Priors	Automatically replaces prior images in the current layout.
	Auto-Invert SC Images	Inverts white and black of scanned documents such as prior reports. Reduces eye fatigue.
	Auto Next Series	When moving beyond the last image of the current series, automatically opens the next series.
	Auto Next Series Cine	Automatically starts cine play of the next series when the user opens it.
	Auto Next Series Wrap	Automatically opens the first series after viewing the last image of the last series in a study.
	Auto Next Study	Automatically opens the next study in the worklist after closing the current study.
	Auto Swap Red/Blue	Inverts colors that may not be displayed from the modality properly (such as with non-DICOM ultrasounds).
	Auto Show DICOM Overlays	Automatically displays DICOM overlays, if present.
	Auto Show SR Overlays	Automatically displays SR overlays, if present.
	Auto Show Cutlines	Automatically displays cutlines, if present. Note, this setting also applies to synthesized mammogram views, in which the cutlines indicate the position of the currently viewed image on the corresponding BTO view.
	Auto Show Cine	Shows the media control bar when a series is opened.

Section	Setting	Description
	Auto Show W/L Bar	Shows the window/level bar when the viewer opens.
	Detect Pixel Padding	Turns detection of pixel padding ON/OFF.
	DM Allow Missing Cell	Shows a blank cell in the DM if the assigned image is not available.
	DM Save W/L	Saves the window/level with the DM.
	Save Study DM on Close	Creates a new DM for each study when it closed, or when the next study auto-opens. The DM is named with the accession number, and contains the last displayed stack and monitor position.
	Show PDF in Last Stack	Moves PDF files to the last place in the stack: in the viewer, they are loaded last, if an empty cell is available.
	Instance Window/Level	Select to show each image with its own W/L Clear to show each image with the W/L of the first instance.
	Do Not Skip Images	Prevents moving forward if subsequent images are not yet loaded.
	Ignore Frame of Reference within Study	Disables referencing of the study's DICOM frame of reference UID when performing linking and cutline functionality.
	Ignore LUT	If LUT values are corrupted, Exa PACS/RIS ignores the LUT values, and attempts to render the best image possible.
	Ignore Presentation LUT	Same as Ignore LUT, but select for certain vendors that use a "Presentation LUT."
	Keep Rotate	Applies the current rotation to all images in the series.
	Keep W/L	Applies the current W/L to all images in the series.
	Keep Zoom	Applies the current zoom level to all images in the series.
	Extend Image Display (if Stretch)	When Stretch Across Monitors is selected, extends a single image across multiple monitors.
	Pixel Padding as Background	Interpolates missing pixel data to fill in "dead" spots in an image. **Note**: When using this feature, reading physicians should be aware that some pixels may be synthesized.

Section	Setting	Description
	Pre-generate Bitmaps	Pre-generates bitmaps automatically if imported into PACS.
	Reset W/L for Individual Images	Select to use the original W/L of each individual image. Clear to use the first W/L sent by the modality for all images. Frequently used to optimize MRI images.
	Select Last Contrast Entry	When DICOM tags include multiple W/L values, uses the last values for all images in the series. Clear to use the first values.
	Show 3D Spine Labels	Shows the 3D spine label tool on the toolbar.
	Show 'Bone Enhance' on Toolbar	Shows the Bone Enhance (sharp mask) tool on the toolbar.
	Show DM Toolbar	Shows/hides the DM toolbar on initial load.
	Show Spine Labels	Shows the spine labels tool on the toolbar.
	Sort Thumbnails by Date/Time	Sorts thumbnails by date/time of acquisition.
	Stop Thumbnail from Updating	Prevents W/L changes to the current image from affecting its thumbnail.
	Stretch Across Monitors	Turns on extending of images across all active monitors.
	Cine Direction	Sets the cine playback to forward or backward.
	Default FPS	Causes cine play to occur at the default frames per second, depending on modality.
	Enable 4DM	Opens the 4DM viewer for post-processing. (Requires configuration to integrate with the 4DM viewer.)
	Disable CINE Scrolling	Disables cine play of series.
	Active Frame Based Cineplay	Playing a cine loop on one series automatically plays all linked series.
	Disable Caliper on Cine	Hides calipers during cine playback.
Auto-Split Rules	Always	Splits series into individual images.
	Differing Echo Time	Splits series by echo time.
	Differing Series Number	Splits series by series number.
	Differing Series Time	Splits series by series time.
	Differing Acquisition Number	Splits by acquisition number to create stacks for separate acquisitions/scans.

Section	Setting	Description
	Differing Diffusion Value	Splits images within similar series UID by b-value (0018,9087 MR Diffusion Value) into separate series.
	Differing Trigger Time	Splits by trigger time (0018,1060).
	Isolate MPEG	Splits MPEG images or videos.
	Isolate Multiframe	Splits cine loops into multiple images.
Auto Bone Enhance		Highlights the bone portions of images by the percentage you type.
Auto WL Type		Selects which W/L to use (such as when values are not available from the modality). **Normal**: Use the W/L tags from the modality, if available. **Raw Img**: Ignore W/L tags and allow the viewer to auto-contrast the image. **Full:** Allows full range of W/L by bit depth: 8 bit = 256, 10 bit = 1024, 12 bit = 4096
Auto Reorder Images		Automatically changes the order of images in a series to the selected order. **Image Number**: Displays images by DICOM instance number, lowest to highest. **Image Number Reverse**: Displays images by DICOM instance number, highest to lowest. **Slice Location**: Displays images by DICOM slice location, lowest to highest. **Slice Location Reverse**: Displays images by DICOM slice location, highest to lowest. **Image Time**: Displays images by DICOM acquisition time, lowest to highest.
Prior Options	Auto Open Prior	Automatically opens prior studies.
	Relevant Priors	When automatically opening priors, also opens relevant priors from other modalities. See "Define relevant priors" later in this topic.
	Auto Open Prior Count	When automatically opening priors, opens the selected number of studies.
	Force Relevant Only	Opens only the defined relevant priors (see "Define relevant priors" later in this topic).
	Prioritize Current Modality First	When opening relevant priors, display same-modality priors first.

4. Select **SAVE.**

5. Optional. If you selected Relevant Priors, see the next section, "Advanced options for displaying relevant priors."

Define relevant priors

Defining relevant priors allows you to auto-open only priors that are relevant to the current study based on study description, modality, or body part. To write definitions for which priors are relevant you use a syntax called *relevant prior logic:*

```
STRING or (STRING|STRING|...){.*(STRING|STRING|...)}
```

"A single string, or multiple strings delimited with a bar, optionally followed by ".*" plus multiple strings delimited with a bar."

Example 1

When the main study description contains "**CHEST**" or "**THORAX**," the relevant priors to auto-open are **CT** studies whose descriptions also contain "**CHEST**" or "**THORAX**."

Prior settings on the left...   **...main study settings on the right**

Example 2

- When the main study description contains "**CLAVICLE**," **SCAPULA**," or "**SHOULDER**" followed by "**LEFT**," "**LT**," or "**BI**," the relevant priors to auto-open are those whose descriptions also match those criteria.
- The same is true for the **RIGHT** shoulder.
- Priors of the same **modality** as the main study are opened first.

Note: You can also define relevant priors to auto-send (see Configure routing rules).

Configure mammography

You can configure mammography viewing options.

Procedure

1. Go to Viewer Settings > **MAMMOGRAPHY**.

2. Enter the settings in the following table.

Section	Setting	Description
Mammography	Use 2+ Year-Old Priors	Makes available the display of priors that are 2 years old or more.
	Stack Same View	When Auto Next Series is turned on, stacking of 100% matches for a cell becomes available in the Display Manager.
	Auto Orient Mammo Views	Automatically orients mammo views.
	Swap Left/Right Breast Positions (with AutoOrient Only)	When Auto Orient Mammo Views is selected, switches the left and right breast images.
	Remove BTO Projections	Hides the BTO orientation overlay.
	Allow Mammo Switching via Overlay	When selected, the user can switch the side of the overlay if it obscures the image.
	Show BTO Orientation Overlay	Shows a bar in lower left indicating the cranial or caudal location in the breast when moving through a 3D image.
	Show Quick History	Show the Quick History of studies.
	List US Breast Priors after MG Priors	Orders priors in the prior bar.
	Enable DM Scroll	Turns on moving through DMs in the DM toolbar by using the mouse wheel.
	Enable Stack Scrolling	In special cases like BTO there will be multiple images present in the same series, which is received as a single DICOM. In these cases, turn on the stack scroll.
	Disable BTO Scrolling	Turns off moving through BTO views.
	Group DM Preview by Prior	Saves space on the prior bar by stacking DMs with the same prior logic. You can hover over a prior to display matching priors in a vertical pop-out.
	Show Priors in Chronological Order	Orders priors in the prior bar.
	Auto Slab Tomo	Automatically applies a slab thickness to tomosynthesis studies.
	Stack By View And Prior Sort By	Makes it possible to move through prior mammo images within a hanging protocol without needing a specific DM. Select Asc or Desc to move by age of prior.
	Enable SkinLine	Maximizes breast anatomy based on the skin line without degrading image quality.
SR CAD Options	[Select]	Sets what CAD overlays (data) are displayed in the viewer, if present.

Section	Setting	Description
	Apply Changes to All Images	Shows all available SR CADS in the images. Malc - Select to view Malc findings when viewing Hologic studies.
	Enable CAD Findings on ALL BTO Images	Displays all findings within the series on all images. CAD findings on non-referenced images are 67% transparent.

3. Select **SAVE.**

Configure overlays

You can configure the appearance and contents of overlays.

Procedure

1. Go to Viewer Settings > **OVERLAYS**.
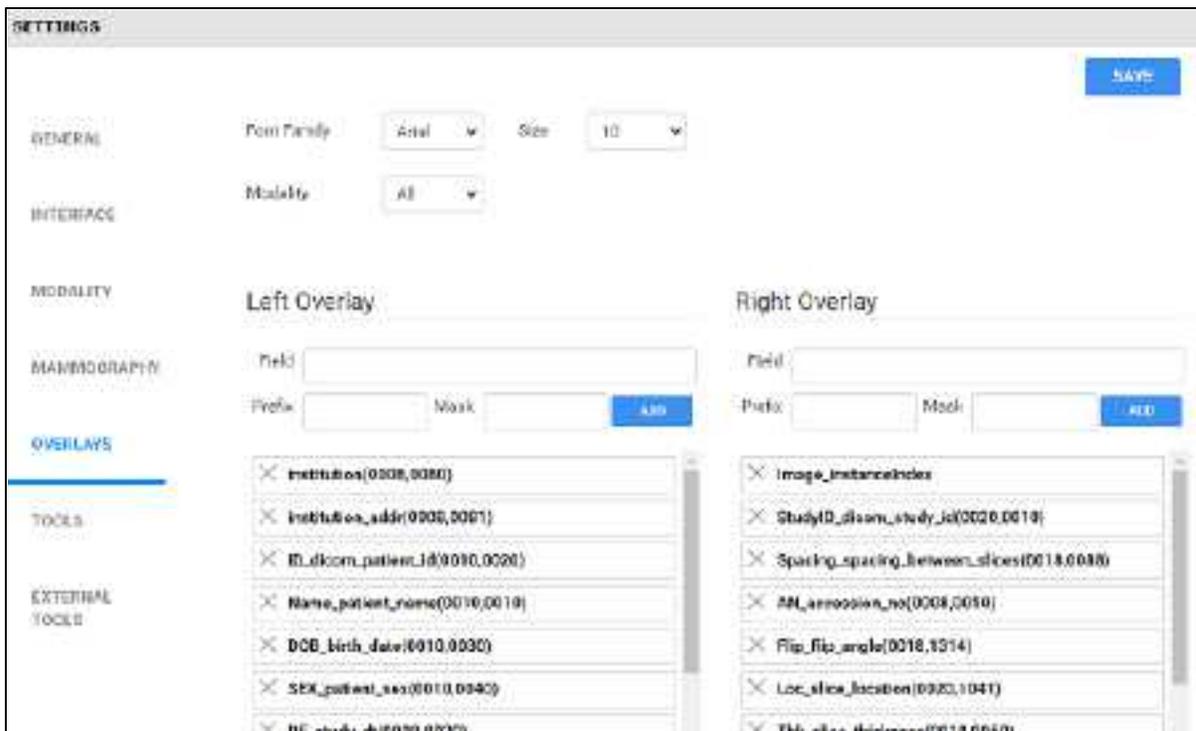
2. Enter the settings in the following table.

Section	Setting	Description
	Font Family	Select the font used for overlays.
	Size	Select the font size used for overlays.
	Modality	Select to which modality the overlay settings apply. You can enter modality-specific settings or select all modalities.

Section	Setting	Description
Left/Right Overlay	Field	Click inside the box and then: • Select a property from the list, or • Type a DICOM tag (e.g. 0020,0010)
	Prefix	If you typed a DICOM tag in the Field box, type a tag prefix. You can use an intuitive prefix such as Series #, DOB, or Time.
	Mask	Optional. Type attributes that describe mask operations for a multi-frame image (see the DICOM standard).
Bottom Overlay	FOV/MAG/W/L	Displays the field of view, magnification, and W/L for each series in the bottom corner.

3. Select **ADD**

   Result: The tag appears at the bottom of the list.

4. Optional. Drag the tag to a new position in the list.

5. Select **SAVE**.

Add or remove toolbar tools

You can add or remove tools from various viewer toolbars in the program, and customize your choices by modality.

> **Note**: Not all toolbar tools can be removed.

Procedure

1. Go to Viewer Settings > TOOLS.

2. Under **Toolbar**, select the modality whose toolbar you want to customize.
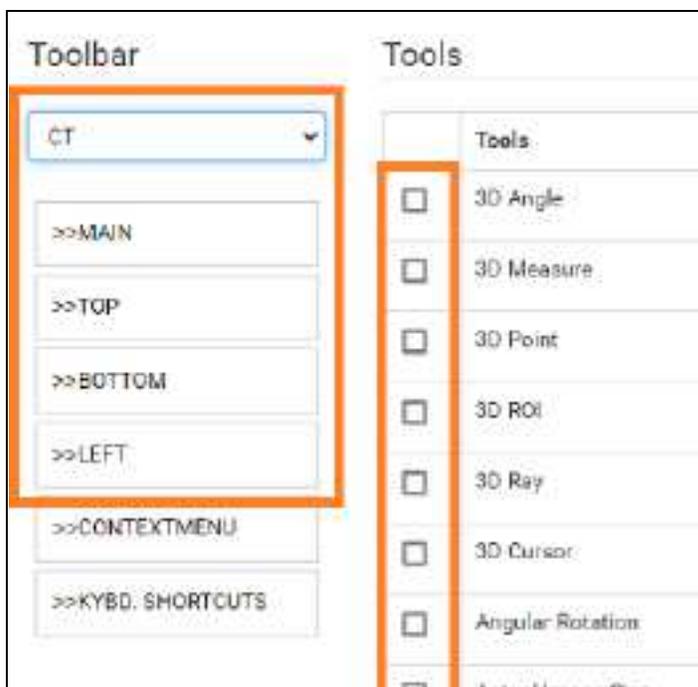
IMPORTANT: The Toolbar **All** setting only defines the default tool settings. If any modality-specific tools were configured, they override the default. Therefore we recommend configuring each modality you plan to use (such as "CT" in the figure above).

3. In the list, select one of the following toolbars to customize.

   MAIN – The toolbar at the top of the viewer.

   TOP/BOTTOM/LEFT – The toolbar accessible by pointing to the top, bottom, or left edge of an image.

4. Under **Tools**, select or clear the checkboxes of the tools that you want to add or remove.

5. Select **SAVE.**

See also:

Viewer toolbar tools

Add or remove tools from the image shortcut menu

You can add or remove tools from the shortcut menu that appears when you right-click an image, and customize your choices by modality.

Procedure

1. Go to Viewer Settings > TOOLS.

2. Under **Toolbar**, select the modality whose shortcut menu you want to customize.
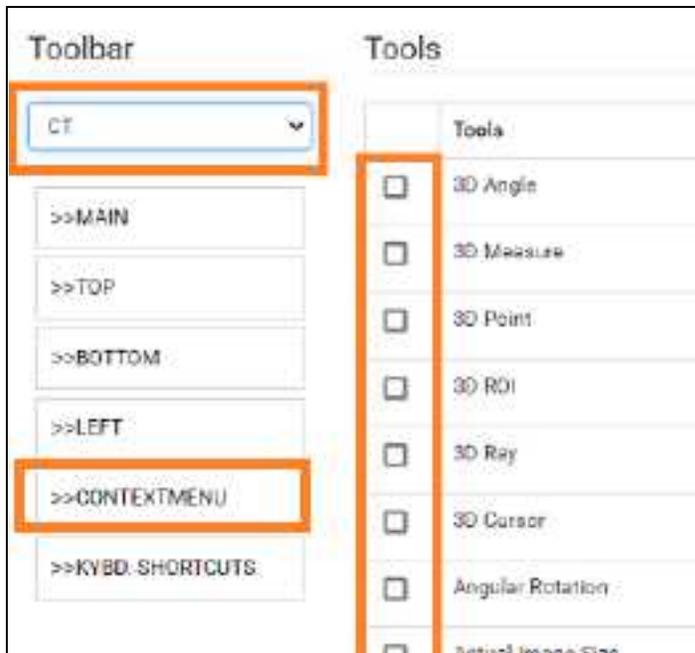
3. In the list, select **CONTEXT MENU**.

4. Under **Tools**, select or clear the checkboxes for tools that you want to add or remove.

5. Select **SAVE.**

Assign toolbar keyboard shortcuts

You can assign keyboard shortcuts ("hot keys") to tools, and customize shortcuts by modality.

Procedure

1. Go to Viewer Settings > TOOLS.

2. Under **Toolbar**, select the modality for which you want to assign shortcuts.
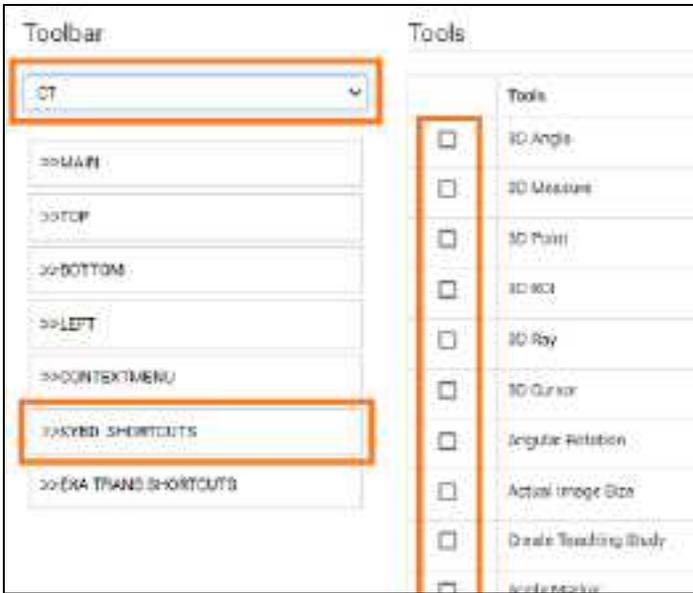
3. In the list, select **KEYBOARD SHORTCUTS**.

4. Under **Tools**, select the checkboxes of the tools to which you want to assign shortcuts.

5. In the **Shortcut** box, type the keyboard shortcut. The shortcut can be one of the following, either by itself or preceded by the **Ctrl** key:

   - Alphanumeric character (**A–Z**, **a–z**, **0–9**)
   - Arrow key (**Up**, **Down**, **Left**, or **Right**)
   - Basic math operator (**+**, **-**, *****, **/**)

6. Select **SAVE.**

Configure opening of a third-party program

You can configure Exa PACS/RIS to open third-party programs such as Ikonopedia, PowerScribe 360, and MModal.

Prerequisites: Install Exa Launch, Add a trusted IP or URL.

Procedure

1. Go to Viewer Settings > GENERAL.

2. Under **Display Settings**, in the table of monitors, on the row corresponding to the monitor on which to open the third-party application, select the row's **DISPLAY** checkbox.

3. In the row's **Orders** dropdown list, select the application (such as PS360 or MModal).

4. In the left pane, select **INTERFACE**.

5. Under **Other Toolbar**, in the **Auto Open Orders** group, select the application (such as **PS360** or **MModal**).

6. In the left pane, select **TOOLS**.

7. Under **Toolbar**, select **MAIN**, and then in the right pane, select the **External Tools** checkbox.

8. In the left pane, select **EXTERNAL TOOLS**.

9. Enter the settings in the following table, and then select **ADD**.

Setting	Description
Title	Type a title for the program.
Description	Type a description of the program.
Command	Type the command to run when you select the toolbar button (such as the path to the executable, or a URL).
Arguments	Type arguments to pass to the command at runtime. Exa PACS/RIS supports the following arguments: {{account_no}} (patient ID) {{id}} (study ID) {{accession_no}} {{facility_id}} {{username}} {{user_id}} {{patientName}} {{patientDOB}} {{patientSex}} {{studyDescription}} {{series_uid}} {{image_uid}}
Initial Directory	Type the path to the root folder.

Setting	Description
Keyboard Shortcut	Optional: Type a keyboard key sequence to use as a shortcut for opening the program.
Toolbar Button	Optional: Select to add a dedicated button for the application on the viewer toolbar.
Do not Base-64 Encode URL Arguments	
Use Facility ID for Subdirectory	Do no select (reserved for PenRad).

See also:

Configure opening of PenRad

Configure opening of OrthoView

Configure opening of PenRad

You can configure Exa PACS/RIS to be able to open mammography and ultrasound breast studies in PenRad by selecting a PenRad button on the viewer toolbar. Each instance of PenRad automatically opens in the configuration corresponding to the facility ID of the study. You must perform this configuration procedure for each user.

Prerequisite: Install Exa Launch.

Procedure

1. Follow the steps in Configure opening of a third-party program, with the following modifications.

   - In Display Settings, in the **Orders** dropdown list, select **PenRad**.

2. In the **EXTERNAL TOOLS** screen, Enter the following settings, and then select **ADD**.

Setting	Description
Title	PenRad
Description	PenRad
Command	`exal://launch/q=`
Arguments1 (variable filename)	`patient_id={{account_no}}&accession_no={{accession_no}}&cmd=penrad&study_id={{id}}&facility_id={{facility_id}}`
Arguments2 (filename)	`patient_id={{account_no}}&accession_no={{accession_no}}&cmd=penrad&study_id=file&facility_id={{facility_id}}`

Setting	Description
Initial Directory	[Leave blank]
Keyboard Shortcut	Optional: Type a keyboard shortcut.
Toolbar Button	Select (adds the PenRad button to the viewer toolbar).
Do Not Base-64 Encode URL Arguments	
Use Facility ID for Subdirectory	Optional: Select to open different instances of the application that are configured for different facilities on the same Exa PACS/RIS installation.

1. Creates a study_id.xml file (e.g. if the study ID is 1234, the file created is 1234.xml).

2. Always creates a file.xml file regardless of the study ID.

Configure opening of OrthoView

You can configure Exa PACS/RIS viewer to open a study in OrthoView by selecting the external app button on a worklist study row.

Prerequisite: [Install Exa Tool](#).

Procedure

1. On the server, use a text editor such as Notepad to open the exatool.toml file (default location is C:\viztek\exa\cfg).

2. Add or edit the file to include the following within the **[tools]** section:

   ```
   # Materialize OrthoView

   [tools.orthoview]

   launchURL = 'http://server_address:90\OrthoView\start.htm'
   ```

   - Where server_address is the IP or fqdn of the server hosting OrthoView.
   - If needed, substitute `http` with `https`.

3. Save and close the file.

4. On the burger ☰ menu, select **Setup**.

5. On the **OFFICE** menu, select **User Management**.

6. On the **EXTERNAL APPS** tab, select **Add**, and type the following settings.

   Integration Name   `OrthoView`

   URL   `exatool:///?tool=orthoview&study_id={{study_id}}&username={{username}}`

Note: You can use the following variables in place of, or in addition to those shown in colored text on the previous line.

{{accession_no}}   The accession number of the study

{{account_no}}   The account number of the patient

{{facility_id}}   The database ID for the facility of the study

{{study_id}}   The database ID for the study

{{user_id}}   The database ID for the currently signed-in user

7. Select **SAVE**.

See also:

Configure opening of a third-party program

Open a study in OrthoView

If OrthoView is installed on your server, you can use the Exa PACS/RIS worklist or viewer to open studies in OrthoView.

Prerequisite: Configure opening of OrthoView.

Procedure

1. On the worklist, select the external app button.

2. In the button shortcut menu, select **OrthoView**.

   Result: Your browser downloads a .jnlp file.

3. Open the .jnlp file.

Configure opening of Visage RIS

You can configure Exa PACS/RIS to integrate with Visage RIS.

Prerequisite: Install Exa Launch and Install Exa Tool.

Enable integration with Visage RIS

1. Go to Viewer Settings > INTERFACE.

2. In the **Auto Open Orders** list, select **Visage RIS**.

Select a monitor

1. In the left pane, select **GENERAL**.

2. Under **Display Settings**, on the **Orders** list of the monitor to use, select **Visage RIS.**
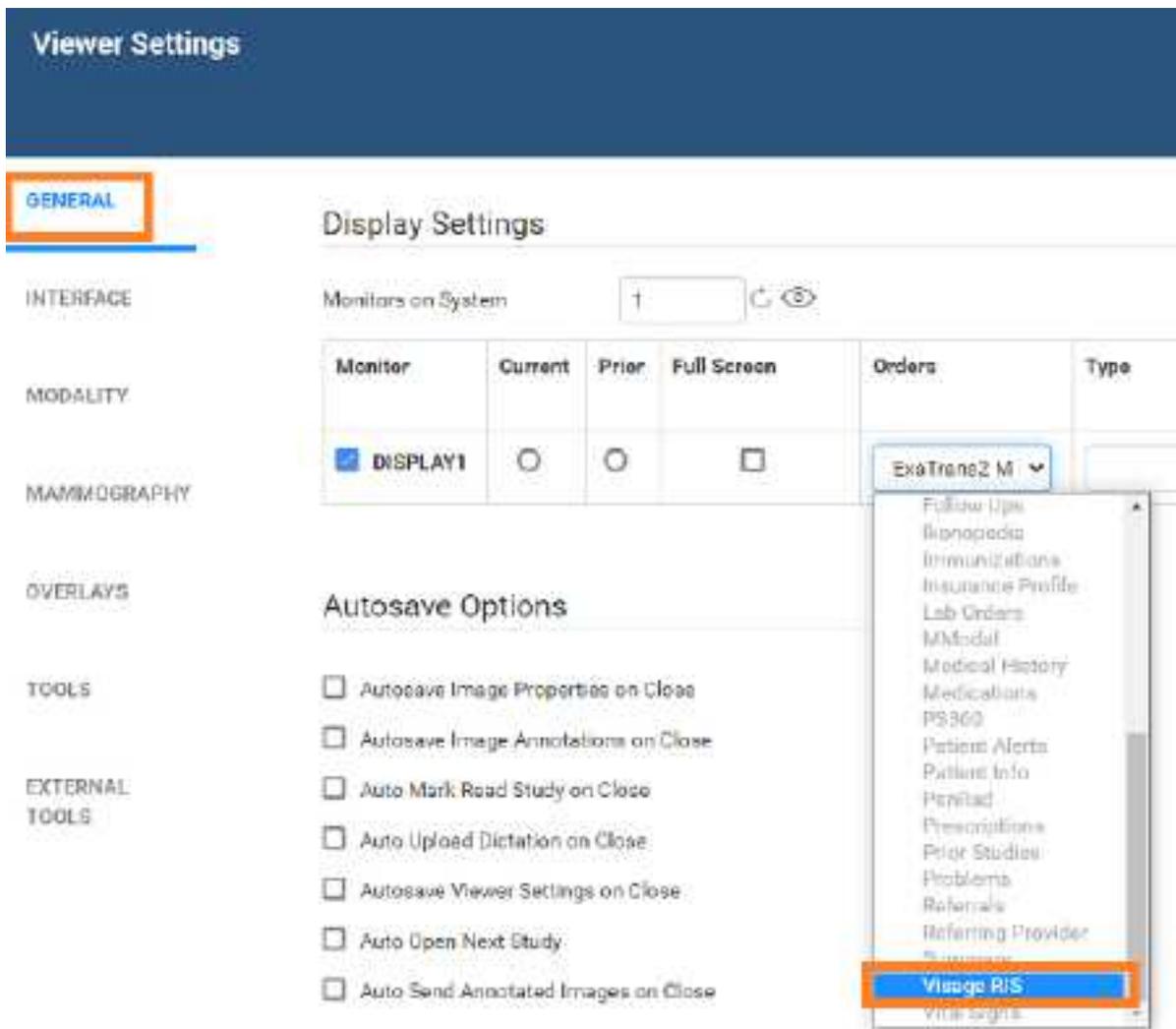
Create a profile for Visage RIS

1. In the left pane, select **EXTERNAL TOOLS**.
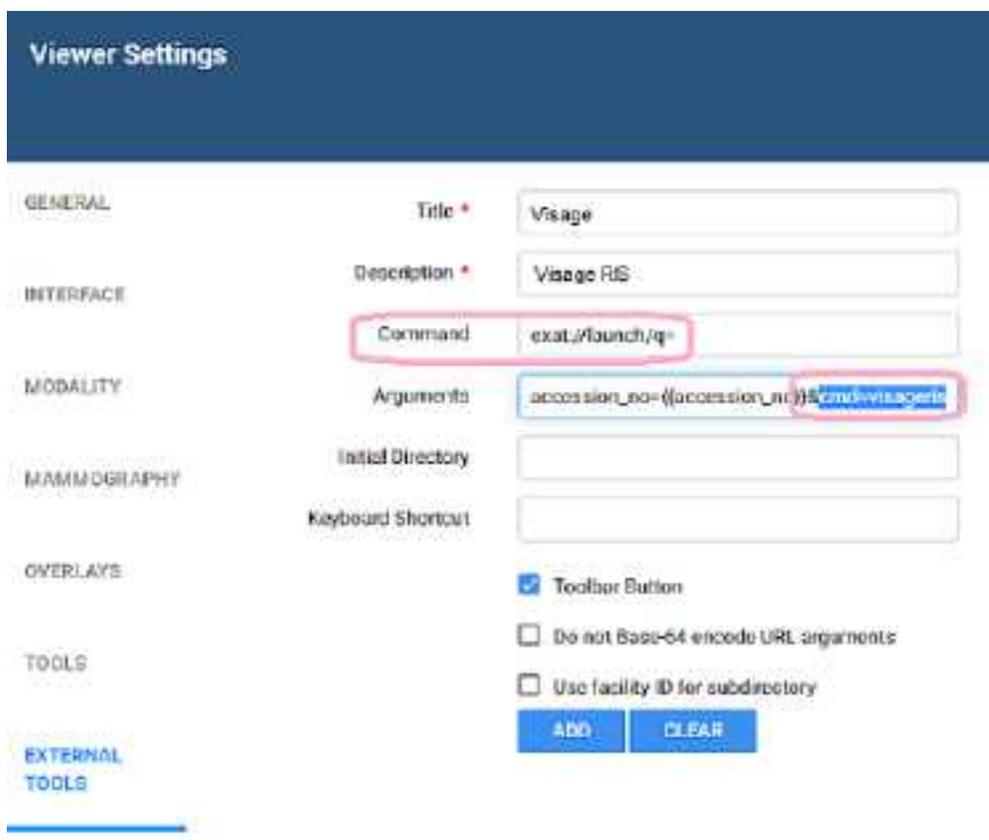
2. Enter the following settings, and then select **ADD**.

Setting	Description
Title	Any, such as "Visage"
Description	Any, such as "Visage RIS"
Command	`exal://launch/q=`
Arguments	`accession_no={{accession_no}}&cmd=visageris`
Initial Directory	[Leave blank]
Keyboard Shortcut	Optional: Type a keyboard shortcut.
Toolbar Button	Select (adds a Visage RIS button to the viewer toolbar).
Do Not Base-64 Encode URL Arguments	
Use Facility ID for Subdirectory	[Leave cleared]

3. Select **SAVE**.

Lines, curves, shapes, and text

You can draw linear shapes and add text to images.

Draw lines and shapes

You can draw rectangles and ellipses on images.

Prerequisite: Add the relevant toolbar tools.

Procedure

1. On the viewer toolbar, select one of the following tools.

   - Rectangle
   - Ellipse
   - Straight line
   - Arrow

2. Drag on the image to create the shape.

   Optional:

   - To move a shape, drag any part of its outline.
   - To resize a shape, drag any of its handles.

Draw freehand lines

You can draw freehand lines on images.

Prerequisite: Add the relevant toolbar tools.

Procedure

1. On the viewer toolbar, select the pencil tool.

2. Drag on the image to draw a freehand line.

3. Optional. You can drag any points along the line to modify it.

Draw a curved shape

You can draw curved shapes on images.

Prerequisite: Add the relevant toolbar tools.

Procedure

1. On the viewer toolbar, select the curve ⌒ tool.

2. Click the image at least three times to specify a start point, a vertex, and a second vertex.

3. Double-click to close the shape.

Add text

You can add a text annotation to an image.

Prerequisite: Add the relevant toolbar tools.

Procedure

1. On the viewer toolbar, select the text **T** tool.

2. In the box, type text and then select **Enter**.

   Note: There is no character limit, but carriage returns are not supported, and long text may extend beyond the visible image boundary.

Markers

You can add markers to images, such as for left and right.

Add a dot

You can add a dot marker to an image.

Prerequisite: <u>Add the relevant toolbar tools</u>.

Procedure

1. On the viewer toolbar, select the dot ![dot] tool.

2. Click the image to place the dot.

Add a vertical or horizontal line

You can add a vertical or horizontal line to an image.

Prerequisite: <u>Add the relevant toolbar tools</u>.

Procedure

1. On the viewer toolbar, select the vertical ![vertical] or horizontal ![horizontal] line tool.

2. To add the line, click the image.

3. Drag the line to position it.

   Note: To reveal the endpoints, you can drag a vertical line up or down, or a horizontal line left or right.

Add a left or right marker

You can add a left or right marker to an image.

Prerequisite: <u>Add the relevant toolbar tools</u>.

Procedure

1. On the viewer toolbar, select the left ![left] or right ![right] marker tool.

2. To add the marker, click the image.

3. Drag the marker to reposition it.

Measurements

You can take various linear and angular measurements of images. Completed measurements remain as annotations. To adjust measurements easily, we recommend turning on Edit mode before taking measurements (see Edit annotations).

Measure an angle

You can measure an angle on an image.

Prerequisite: Add the relevant toolbar tools.

Procedure

1. On the viewer toolbar, select the angle tool.

2. Click the image three times to place a vertex and two endpoints.

3. Move the pointer to position the angle measurement, and then select to finish.

Measure a Cobb angle

You can measure a Cobb angle on an image.

Prerequisite: Add the relevant toolbar tools.

Procedure

1. On the viewer toolbar, select the Cobb angle tool.

2. Drag on the image to place the first angle line.

3. Drag again to place the second line.

4. Move the pointer to position the angle measurement, and then select to finish the angle.

Measure an HO angle

You can measure an HO angle on an image. An HO angle measures the degrees of the angle drawn relative to true vertical and horizontal.

Prerequisite: Add the relevant toolbar tools.

Procedure

1. On the viewer toolbar, select the HO angle tool.

2. Click the image to place a starting point.

3. Click to place the end point.

Measure a radial angle or length

You can measure a radial angle or length on an image.

Prerequisite: <u>Add the relevant toolbar tools</u>.

Procedure

1. On the viewer toolbar, select the radial angle [icon] or radial length [icon] tool.

2. Click the image to place the axes.

3. Drag the axes or their endpoints to take measurements.

Measure an elliptical or freehand ROI

You can measure properties of an ROI by drawing an ellipse or a freehand shape. The viewer displays the ROI's length (mm), area (mm^2), and the minimum, maximum, mean, and standard deviation in Hounsfield units.

Prerequisite: <u>Add the relevant toolbar tools</u>.

Procedure

1. On the viewer toolbar, select the ROI [icon] or free ROI [icon] tool.

2. Drag on the image to place the ellipse or the freehand shape.

3. Drag the outline or handles of the shape to adjust the ROI.

Measure a length

You can measure a length (mm) on an image.

Prerequisite: <u>Add the relevant toolbar tools</u>.

Procedure

1. On the viewer toolbar, select the measure [icon] tool.

2. Drag on the image to place the measurement line.

3. Drag the outline or endpoints of the line to adjust the measurement.

Measure and compare two lengths

You can measure the lengths (mm) from two starting points to an endpoint for comparison.

Prerequisite: Add the relevant toolbar tools.

Procedure

1. On the viewer toolbar, select the M compare ⊟ tool.

2. Click the image three times to place a starting point, endpoint, and second starting point.

3. Drag any of the three points to adjust the measurement.

Take a freehand measurement

A freehand measurement is similar to freehand ROI, but it measures different values: angle; radius (mm); area (mm^2); and length (circumference in mm).

Prerequisite: Add the relevant tools to the image shortcut menu.

Procedure

1. On the image shortcut menu, select **Annotations** > **Measures** > **FH Measure**.

2. Click the image three times to place a vertex and two endpoints.

3. Move the pointer to position the circle measurements, and then click to finish.

Find a center point

You can find the center between two reference points.

Prerequisite: Add the relevant tools to the image shortcut menu.

Procedure

1. On the image shortcut menu, select **Annotations** > **Measures** > **Center Point**.

2. Click the image twice to place the first and second reference points.

   Note: The center point is indicated by an x.

3. Drag either of the reference points to adjust the measurement.

Draw a circle and measure its radius

You can draw a circle and measure its radius (mm).

Prerequisite: Add the relevant toolbar tools.

Procedure

1. On the viewer toolbar, select the circle ◯ tool.

2. Click the image twice to place two loci.

3. Move the pointer to adjust the circle, and then click to add a third locus.

4. Drag any locus to resize or reposition the circle.

Spine labels

You can add preset labels for spinal vertebrae and discs to MR images. Labels are grouped by region (cervical, thoracic, lumbar, and sacral), plus another group for all discs. Basic labels do not include height and width measurements, whereas non-basic labels do. 3D labels appear in all frames and planes, whereas non-3D labels appear only in the individual frames to which you add them.

Add basic spine labels

You can add basic spine labels to vertebra in ascending or descending order.

Prerequisite: <u>Add the relevant toolbar tools</u>.

Procedure

1. On the viewer toolbar, select the basic spine label ![icon] tool.

2. In the button shortcut menu, select a region and starting vertebra.

   Note: Choose "Up" to apply labels in ascending order, or "Down" for descending.

3. Click the first vertebra to add the first label, and then click the second vertebra, and so on.

Add basic 3D spine labels

You can add basic 3D spine labels to vertebrae in ascending or descending order.

Prerequisite: <u>Add the relevant toolbar tools</u>.

Procedure

1. On the viewer toolbar, select the quick 3D spine label ![icon] tool.

2. In the button shortcut menu, select a region and starting vertebra.

   Note: Choose "Up" to add labels in ascending order, or "Down" for descending.

3. Click the first vertebra to add the first label, and then click on the second vertebra, and so on.

Add 3D spine labels

You can add 3D spine labels in ascending or descending order.

Prerequisite: <u>Add the relevant toolbar tools</u>.

Procedure

1. On the viewer toolbar, select the 3D spine label shortcut ![icon] tool.

2. In the button shortcut menu, select a region and starting vertebra.

Note: Choose "Up" to add labels in ascending order, or "Down" for descending.

3. Click a vertebra twice to place a starting point and endpoint.

4. Repeat the previous step to label additional vertebrae.

Use a spine label shortcut

You can use a spine label shortcut to quickly start labeling from a common starting vertebra.

Prerequisite: [Add the relevant toolbar tools](#).

Procedure

1. On the viewer toolbar, select the spine label shortcut ![icon], 3D spine label shortcut ![icon], or 3D quick spine label shortcut ![icon] tool.

2. In the button shortcut menu, click a starting vertebra.

3. Add labels.

3D

3D labels appear in the image where you add them, and the same slice in other series.

Use the 3D cursor

When you place the 3D cursor on one series, the cursor also appears in the corresponding location in any cell of the same study that is open in the viewer.

Prerequisite: Add the relevant toolbar tools.

Procedure

1. Open two or more series of the same study (for example, an axial, sagittal, and coronal view).

2. On the viewer toolbar, select the 3D cursor tool.

3. Hover over an image in one cell.

4. The cursor appears in the same location in the other cells.

Add a 3D point

You can mark a 3D point on an image. The point you place in the current image appears in the corresponding position in all frames and planes.

Prerequisite: Add the relevant tools to the image shortcut menu.

Procedure

1. On the image shortcut menu, select **Annotations** > **3D Point**.

2. Click the image to place the point.

Add a 3D ray

You can mark a 3D ray on an image. The vertex you place in one frame extends as a ray through the stack and is visible in other planes.

Prerequisite: Add the relevant tools to the image shortcut menu.

Procedure

1. On the image shortcut menu, select **Annotations** > **3D Ray**.

2. Click the image to place the vertex of the ray.

Add a 3D ROI

You can mark a circular ROI in one image, and the program adds the ROI to the same image in other series in the viewer. The viewer displays the ROI's length (circumference in mm), area (mm^2), and the maximum, minimum, mean, and standard deviation in Hounsfield units.

Prerequisite: Add the relevant tools to the image shortcut menu.

Procedure

1. On the image shortcut menu, select **Annotations** > **3D ROI**.

2. Click the image twice to place the center point and a tangent point.

Add a 3D length measurement

You can take a linear measurement (mm) in one image, and the program adds the measurement to the same image in other series in the viewer.

Prerequisite: Add the relevant tools to the image shortcut menu.

Procedure

1. On the image shortcut menu, select **Annotations** > **3D Measure**.

2. Click the image twice to place the first and second endpoints of the measurement line.

Add a 3D angle measurement

You can take a 3D angle measurement in one image, and the program adds the measurement to the same image in other series in the viewer.

Prerequisite: Add the relevant tools to the image shortcut menu.

Procedure

1. On the image shortcut menu, select **Annotations** > **3D Angle**.

2. Click the image three times to place the vertex and the first and second endpoints of the angle.

Shutters

You can add rectangular, elliptical, or freehand shutters.

Add a rectangular or elliptical shutter

You can add a rectangular or elliptical shutter to "crop" unwanted areas of an image.

Prerequisite: Add the relevant tools to the image shortcut menu.

Procedure

1. On the image shortcut menu, select **Annotations** > **Shutters** > **Shutter Box** or **Shutter Ellipse**.

2. Click the image twice to place a starting point and endpoint for the shutter.

Add a freehand shutter

You can add a freehand-drawn shutter to "crop" unwanted areas of an image.

Prerequisite: Add the relevant tools to the image shortcut menu.

Procedure

1. On the image shortcut menu, select **Annotations** > **Shutters** > **Freehand Shutter**.

2. Drag on the image to draw the shutter.

Other annotation tasks

Add an AR annotation

You can plot points to represent angular rotation.

Prerequisite: Add the relevant toolbar tools.

Procedure

1. On the viewer toolbar, select the AR ![AR] tool.

2. Click the image six times to place guide points.

Edit annotations

After you finish an annotation, it is fixed in place to prevent accidental alteration. To move, edit, or delete an annotation, either select the tool that created it, or select the edit ![edit] tool to enter Edit mode. You can select the edit tool again to exit Edit mode.

Saving and deleting annotations

You can save or delete annotations as follows.

Prerequisite: Add the relevant toolbar tools.

- To save the current annotations, on the toolbar, select the save annotations ![save] button.

- To delete all annotations, on the toolbar, select the delete all annotations ![delete] button.

- To delete all annotations for the current series, on the image shortcut menu, select **Delete Series Anno**.

- To delete all annotations for the current study, on the image shortcut menu, select **Delete Study Anno**.

Annotate ultrasounds with DiA

With the DiA ultrasound analysis application you can automatically annotate 2-, 3-, and 4-chamber cardio ultrasounds, and populate SDE reports with SR measurements.

⚠ Incorrectly tagging cardio images can result in misdiagnosis. It is the user's responsibility to correctly tag series as 2-, 3-, or 4-chamber studies for purposes of DiA analysis. Neither Konica Minolta nor DiA Imaging Analysis are responsible for any outcomes resulting from mis-tagged images.

Prerequisite: Purchase a license for DiA.

Procedure

1. Open one or more ultrasound images or series in the Exa PACS/RIS viewer.

2. On the toolbar, select the **DiA** ![DiA] button.

3. In the center of each open frame, select the **2CH**, **3CH**, or **4CH** button to tag the image or series as a 2-chamber, 3-chamber, or 4-chamber item.

   Note: Select only one type.

4. In the upper right corner of each frame, select the **SG**, **EF**, or **Both** button to perform annotation and measurement.

5. To save the results, select the save annotations ![save] button.

6. To view the SR data, open the study in the cardio report editor.

Annotate series

You can add the same annotation in the same location to all images in a series. This feature is not available with 3D annotations. Any subsequent edits you make to annotations only apply to the image you edit, not the entire series.

Prerequisite: Add the **Annotate Series** button to the Exa PACS/RIS viewer toolbar.

1. In the Exa PACS/RIS viewer, open a series.

2. On the toolbar, select the **Annotate Series** ![AS] tool.

3. Select another annotation tool (for example, the Ellipse tool).

4. Add the annotation to the current image (for example, draw an ellipse).

   Result: The annotation (such as an ellipse) appears on all images in the series.

Annotate tagged images

To annotate all images in a series, see [Annotate series](#). If you want to annotate multiple—but not all—images in a series, use the procedure below to *tag* (select) them and then annotate only the tagged images. Any subsequent edits you make to annotations added in this way only apply to the image you edit, not the entire series. This feature is not available with 3D annotations.

Prerequisite: Add the **Tag Images** and **Annotate Tagged Images** tools to the viewer toolbar.

1. Open series or multiple images in the Exa PACS/RIS viewer.

2. On the viewer toolbar, select the **Tag Images** ![TI] tool.

3. Click on an image to tag it.

   Result: The image is tagged for annotation.

4. Repeat for all images you want to annotate.

5. On the toolbar, select the **Annotate Tagged Images** ATI tool.

6. Select another annotation tool (for example, the Ellipse tool).

7. Add the annotation to one of the tagged images (for example, draw an ellipse).

   Result: The annotation (such as an ellipse) appears on all tagged images, and the images are no longer tagged.

Reset an image in the viewer

When making non-permanent modifications to images in the viewer (zoom, rotation, Window/Level etc.), you can reset the image to its original state.

Prerequisite: <u>Add the relevant toolbar tools</u>.

- On the viewer toolbar, select the reset viewer C button.

Change elements in the viewer

Show or hide overlays

You can turn overlays on or off. Note, PR (GSPS) DICOM objects from Intelerad are supported as overlays.

Prerequisite: Add the relevant toolbar tools.

- On the viewer toolbar, select the **Overlays** or **Toggle DICOM Overlay** button to turn overlays on or off.
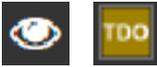
See also:

Configure overlays

Show or hide annotations

You can turn annotations on or off. Note that

Prerequisite: Add the relevant toolbar tools.

Procedure

- On the viewer toolbar, select the toggle annotations button to turn annotations on or off.

Show series and stacks

If the viewer is showing only a single frame of a series or stack, you can change it to display all series and stacks.

Prerequisite: Add the relevant toolbar tools.

- On the viewer toolbar, select the reset series and stacks button.

Show or hide cutlines

Cutlines show the intersection between two open series. The cutlines update dynamically as the user moves through a series. A dashed cutline indicates where the first image starts and the last image ends. A solid cutline indicates the intersection of the currently displayed locations in the series. If a series includes intersecting images, you can show or hide cutlines.

Prerequisite: Add the relevant toolbar tools.

- On the viewer toolbar, select the cutlines button.

Split series by slab thickness

You can use slab tools to split series by image thickness.

Procedure

1. In the upper-right corner of a frame, right-click the menu icon .

2. In the shortcut menu, select **Slab Tools**, and then select a slab thickness.

Recalibrate the scale

You can manually recalibrate the scale measurement, which is shown on the caliper of the current series.

Procedure

1. In the upper-right corner of a frame, right-click the menu icon .

2. In the shortcut menu, select **Recalibrate**.

3. In the dialog, type a new value (mm) for the scale, and then select **OK**.

Change the series layout

You can change the number of series panels displayed in the viewer.

Procedure

1. In the upper-right corner of a frame, right-click the menu icon ▤.

2. In the shortcut menu, select **Series Layout**, and then select a layout.
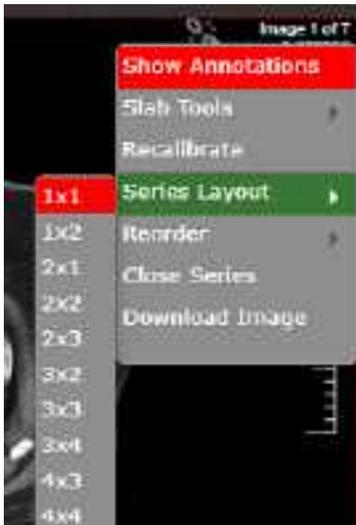
Reorder a series

You can change the order of images in a series.

Procedure

1. In the upper-right corner of a frame, right-click the menu icon ▤.

2. In the shortcut menu, select **Reorder**, and then select one of the following options.

Image Number – Arranges the images by number in ascending order.

Image Number Inverse – Arranges the images by number in descending order.

Slice Location – Arranges the images by relative location (in mm) in the plane in ascending order.

Slice Location Inverse – Arranges the images by relative location in the plane in descending order.

Image Time – Arranges the images by the time they were taken.

Change the appearance of images

How the viewer chooses the initial window/level

There are many sources of window/level settings. When the viewer displays an image, it chooses the window/level settings from the first available of the following sources, in order.

- Last display state, if "Auto saved image properties on close" is turned on

- LUT (from prefetch), unless "Ignore LUT" or "Ignore Presentation LUT" is turned on

- DICOM tags – the window center and window width tags

- VOI LUT DICOM tags – value of interest LUT tags

- Manual W/L settings, if adjusted by the user

Turn on auto window/level

The viewer can automatically adjust the window/level so that images are, to the extent possible, neither too dim nor too bright.

Prerequisite: Add the relevant toolbar tools.

- On the viewer toolbar, select the auto window/level 🖫 button.

Adjust the window/level

You can manually adjust the window/level.

Prerequisite: Add the relevant toolbar tools.

- On the viewer toolbar, select the window/level 🔆 button.

- Drag horizontally over the image to adjust the window.

- Drag vertically over the image to adjust the level.

Apply a window/level preset

You can apply a window/level preset to the current study.

Prerequisite: Add the relevant tools to the image shortcut menu.

- On the image shortcut menu, select **Presets**, and then select a preset.

Apply CLAHE enhancement

You can apply CLAHE to enhance local contrast.

Prerequisite: <u>Add the relevant toolbar tools</u>.

- On the viewer toolbar, select the CLAHE [CL] button to turn CLAHE on or off.

Apply bone enhancement

You can use different levels of bone enhancement to optimize the contrast between bone and other tissues. You can also apply color inversion to further highlight fractures and other features of bone.

Prerequisite: <u>Add the relevant toolbar tools</u>.

Procedure

1. On the viewer toolbar, select the bone enhance [icon] button.

2. In the button shortcut menu, select a percentage.

Invert colors

You can invert black and white values to make certain images easier to read.

Prerequisite: <u>Add the relevant toolbar tools</u>.

- On the viewer toolbar, select the invert colors [icon] button.

Add color to images

You can add color to images.

Procedure

1. Right-click the overlay in the lower-right of the image, and then in the shortcut menu, select **Palettes**.
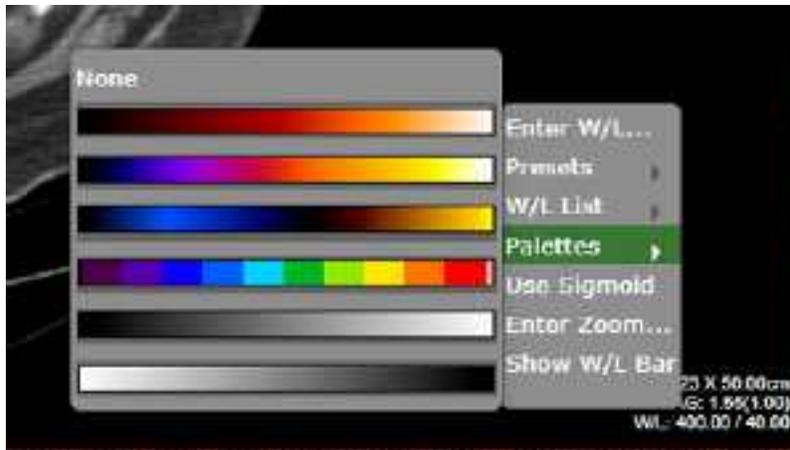
2. Select a color in a palette.

Apply sigmoid processing

You can apply sigmoid processing to enhance low-contrast images.

- Right-click the overlay in the lower-right of the image, and then in the shortcut menu, select **Sigmoid**.

Reset and Reset study object

You can access the Reset and Reset study object commands in the image shortcut menu. *Reset* undoes all unsaved changes (such as W/L and annotations) made to the current series. *Reset study object* updates the viewer after new images are added to a study that is currently open.

Add to new UNQ study

A *UNQ* (unique) study is a teaching study. When you select this command in the image shortcut menu, a button appears on the toolbar to open the teaching study screen. See, "Create a teaching study."

Scaling images

Zoom images

You can zoom in on (enlarge) or out of (reduce) images for optimum viewing. There are several ways to zoom:

Prerequisite: Add the relevant toolbar tools.

- On the viewer toolbar, select the zoom tool and then drag on the image.

- Select the zoom tool in the image shortcut menu: **Tools** > **Zoom**.

- Drag the pointer across a caliper (if Caliper Zoom is selected, see Configure other interface settings).

- Right-click the lower-right overlay, select Enter Zoom, and then type a value from .05 to 7.5.

- "Quad zoom": Use the left or right angle bracket keys (< >).

Display one to one

If you zoomed an image you can restore it to its original DICOM size. This is essentially "life size."

Prerequisite: Add the relevant toolbar tools.

- On the viewer toolbar, select the one to one button.

Display images in their actual size

You can display images in their original size.

Prerequisite: Add the relevant toolbar tools.

- On the viewer toolbar, select the actual image size button.

Fit images to window

You can automatically zoom an image so that its longest dimension fits in the visible frame.

Prerequisite: Add the relevant toolbar tools.

- On the viewer toolbar, select the fit to window button.

Use the magnifying glass

You can use the magnifying glass tool to zoom an area of the current image.

Prerequisite: Add the relevant toolbar tools.

- On the viewer toolbar, select the magnifying glass tool, and then select and hold over the area to magnify.

Linking images

When two series are open side-by-side in the viewer, *linking* them causes moving through images in a second series when you move through images in the first series.

Auto link images

Auto linking means that linking turns on automatically when two or more series of the same plane (such as axial) are open. With auto-linking, the system uses the image numbers to automatically match up the frames in each series so that the frame in the second series is as near in stack order to the image in the first series as possible.

Prerequisite: Add the relevant toolbar tools.

- To auto link images, on the viewer toolbar, select the auto link button.

Manually link images

Manual linking means that you turn linking on and off manually when two or more series are open. This is frequently used to move through a recent image and a corresponding prior, side-by-side.

Prerequisite: Add the relevant toolbar tools.

- To manually link images, on the viewer toolbar, select the manual link button.

    Note: For mammogram images, you can only link LCC and RCC with each other; similarly you can only link LMLO and RMLO with each other.

Use the context tool

You can automatically jump to an image in a linked series that most closely matches the angle (X, Y, and Z position) of the image in the current series.

Prerequisite: Add the relevant toolbar tools.

- On the viewer toolbar, select the context tool .

Reset linked series

You can reset (undo) image linking by selecting the reset linked series button. This may take time depending on the size of the series.

Moving and jumping to images

Pan images

You can pan an image to view any portions that extend beyond the visible frame.

Prerequisite: <u>Add the relevant toolbar tools</u>.

Procedure

1. On the viewer toolbar, select the pan tool.

2. Drag the image in any direction.

Move or span through images

You can move or span through images in a series. *Spanning* means to move rapidly with minimal hand or wheel motion.

To adjust the span sensitivity, see <u>Configure the toolbar</u>.

- To move: Hover over the image and rotate the mouse wheel.

- To span: On the image shortcut menu, select **Tools** > **Span Images**, and then drag on the image.

Flip or rotate images

You can flip images 180 degrees, or rotate them 90 degrees.

Prerequisite: <u>Add the relevant tools to the image shortcut menu</u>.

From the image shortcut menu:

- Select **Transformation** > **Flip Horizontal** or **Flip Vertical**.
- Select **Transformation** > **Rotate Right** or **Rotate Left**.

Play cine loops

When viewing a series, you can play cine loops and shuttle between frames.

Prerequisite: <u>Add the relevant toolbar tools</u>.

Procedure

1. On the viewer toolbar, select the cine button.

2. Cine play starts, and the media control bar appears.
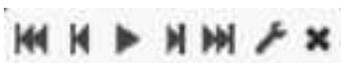
3. Use the media control bar to pause, move to the first or last frame, and move to the previous or next frame.

Specify key images

You can specify key images in a series that you can jump to at any time. You can add key images thumbnails on reports.

Prerequisite: <u>Add the relevant tools to the image shortcut menu</u>.

Procedure

1. Display the image that you want to be a key image.

2. On the image shortcut menu, select **Set Key Image**.

Jump to a key image

If you specified a key image in the current series, you can jump to it (display it in a frame in the viewer).

Prerequisite: <u>Specify key images</u>.

Procedure

1. At the top of the thumbnail pane on the left side, select **Keyimage**.

The thumbnail pane shows thumbnails of your key images.

2. Double-click a key image thumbnail.

Open a series image in a 1×1 frame

If a series is open in a layout other than 1 × 1, double-click any image to open it in a 1 × 1 layout.

Jump to a BTO image by SR finding

To quickly open a BTO image that has a specific SR finding:

Procedure

1. Open the tomosynthesis series that contains the image.

2. On the 2D or synthesized view, select the SR finding of interest.

    Result: The corresponding slice opens. Note the following:

    - The slice that opens is of the same view type (e.g. select a finding on an RCC to open a BTO RCC slice).
    - If the BTO series is not displayed within the current layout, the series opens next to the 2D or synthesized view in a 1x2 layout. To restore the original layout, select the backslash (\ ) key.

Triangulate images

You can move to images and points in multiple series at the same time.

Prerequisite: [Add the relevant toolbar tools](#).

Procedure

1. On the viewer toolbar, open two or more series.

2. Select the Triangulation ▲ button, and then do one or both of the following.

    - Double-click a series to open the corresponding slice in the other series.
    - Move the pointer in one series to move the pointer to the corresponding position in the other series.

Use MPR tools

Multiplanar reformation (MPR) creates images in orthogonal planes (axial, coronal, sagittal or MIP) relative to a base image. The MPR tool is hidden until you open a series.

Perform simple MPR

You can perform simple MPR to generate a single alternate planar view from the base view.

Prerequisites:

- If performing MPR on a fusion study, wait until both series are fully pre-fetched.
- Add the relevant toolbar tools.

Procedure

1. Open a series, and then double-click an image to view it full screen.

2. Select the arrow on the right side of the MPR [MPR ▼] button.

3. In the button shortcut menu, select a plane.

4. The viewer performs MPR and displays the new plane.

Perform standard MPR

You can perform standard MPR to generate three additional planar views of the base image.

Prerequisites:

- If performing MPR on a fusion study, wait until both series are fully pre-fetched.
- Add the relevant toolbar tools.

- Open a series, and then select the MPR [MPR ▼] button.

  Note: The plane of the base image determines the default MPR plane.

Handle MPR images

You can handle MPR images in the following ways by using controls in the base image.

- To move through MPR images, drag the blue region bars. You can also drag the endpoints to adjust the viewing angle.

- To move both region bars at the same time, on the toolbar, select the context tool ![icon], and then drag on the base image.

- To change the slice thickness, double-click the thickness value, and then type a new value (or drag the thickness value).

- To change the slab width, select Region, double-click the slab width value, and then enter a new value (or drag the slab width value).

- To display an MPR image full screen with a large thumbnail of the base image, double-click an MPR image.

Save an MPR series

After you perform MPR, you can save the resultant images and series for later viewing.

Procedure

1. Perform simple MPR or Perform standard MPR.

2. Right-click a generated cell, point to **Save MPR**, and then select **Instance** or **Series**.

3. In the **Create MPR Series/Instance** dialog, type a description, and then click **save**.

   Result: A thumbnail for the saved instance or series appears on the thumbnail bar.

Work with PET fusion studies

Turn PET fusion display on and off

If a PET study was fused with another study such as a CT scan, you can turn display of the fused study on or off.

Procedure

1. To turn on fusion display, hover over the top of an image to display the image's top shortcut menu, and then select **PT**.

2. In the PT button shortcut menu, under **PET selection**, select a source study.
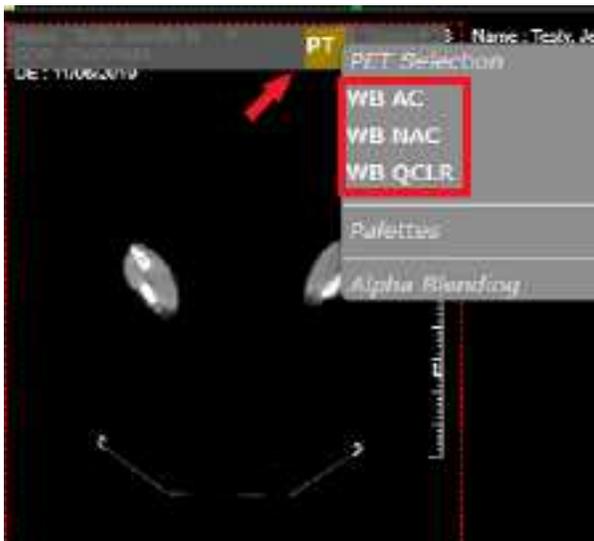
   "Fused" appears in the lower-left part of the image to indicate the display state.

3. To turn off fusion display, in the PT button shortcut menu, select **Remove current PET**.

See also:

Color and blend PET fusion source studies

Color and blend PET fusion source studies

You can add color to source studies in a PET fusion study, and control alpha blending of the two studies. Specifying a color in one image applies the color to all images in the series.

Prerequisite: Turn PET fusion display on.

Procedure

1. In the PT button shortcut menu, under **PET selection**, select the source study to color.
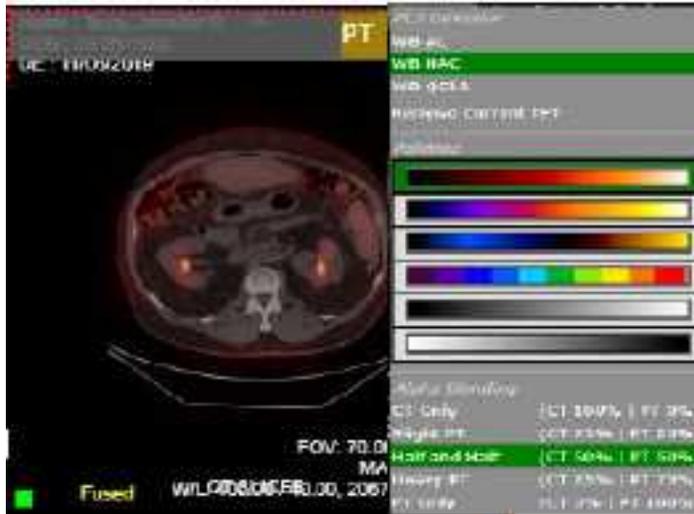
2. In the PT button shortcut menu, under **Palettes**, select a color.

3. In the PT button shortcut menu, under **Alpha Blending**, select a blending option.

Work with Display Management

With the viewer's display management functions you can create and manage highly customized "DMs." The term DM refers to *display management* in general, or to an implementation of a hanging protocol. By using DMs you can precisely customize how images "hang" in the viewer.

Configure viewer settings for DMs

Before working with DMs, configure the settings described in the following sections in this manual.

Configure modality-specific viewing options
Configure mammography
Set up connected displays

Next, configure viewer settings as follows.

Procedure

1. On the worklist, select settings ⚙, select **Viewer Settings**, and then in the **Viewer Settings** dialog, on the left pane, select **MODALITY**.

2. In the list of modalities, select a modality that you work with (such as CT or MG).

3. To turn on DMs, in the settings area under **Options**, select the following checkboxes.

   - Auto Hang DM
   - DM Allow Missing Cell
   - Auto Hang Priors

4. To view priors, under **Prior Options**, configure the following.

   a. Select the **Auto Open Prior** checkbox.

   b. In the **Auto Open Prior Count** dropdown list, select the maximum number of priors to open at once.

5. Select **SAVE.**

6. Repeat for each modality that you work with.

Show the DM toolbar

The DM toolbar gives you quick access to DM related functions. You can manually display the DM toolbar in the viewer, or configure the viewer to display the DM toolbar automatically for selected modalities.

- **Manually**: In the viewer, select the display manager ⬛ button, and then in the button shortcut menu, select **Show DM Toolbar**.

- **Automatically**: On the viewer toolbar, select the settings ⚙ button. Select **MODALITY**, select modalities, select the **Show DM Toolbar** checkbox, and then select **SAVE**.

See also:

Use the DM toolbar

Display images with a DM

You can select from a list of previously configured DMs to hang the current study. If you show the DM toolbar in the viewer, you can select a DM on the toolbar. If you did not show the DM toolbar:

Procedure

1. Open a study in the viewer.

2. On the toolbar, select the DM ⬛ button.

3. On the button shortcut menu, select one of the DMs in the list.

   Note: DMs are listed between the first item in the menu, "None," and "DM Manager."

4. Optional. You can change the view as follows.

   - Rotate the wheel to page through any additional images in the study that the DM can hang.
   - Drag a thumbnail onto a cell to display it there.
   - Use the left or right bracket keys ([or]) to move to the next or previous DM step.

Use the DM toolbar

As in the following figure, the toolbar contains tools on the left, and DMs (RCC 3D and RCC/LCC Tomo) on the right side of the tools. Use the toolbar as follows.

- Save: Saves a new DM based on the current layout.
- Save Study: Saves the current configuration for the current study only.
- Update: Overwrites the current DM with properties taken from currently displayed images.
  CAUTION: Selecting this button deletes all settings of the current DM.

- Manage: Opens the DM manager.
- Reset: Select to apply any newly created or edited DMs.
- Refresh: You can also *refresh* DMs to update the list of applicable DMs.
- [DM]: Select any DM on the DM toolbar to apply it in the viewer.

Find and open a DM for editing

If you have a large number of DMs you can find a specific one, and then open it for editing.

Procedure

1. On the viewer toolbar, select the display manager button.

2. In the button shortcut menu, select **DM Manager**.

3. In the **DM Manager** dialog, enter one or more of the following search criteria.

   User Groups – Select the group to which the DM user belongs.

   Users – Select the DM user.

   Filters – Select whether the DM is private (user-specific) or public.

   Modality – Select the modality associated with the DM.

   Name – Type all or part of the name of the DM.

4. Select **SEARCH**.

   Result: DMs matching your search criteria appear in the list at the bottom of the dialog.

5. To open the DM for editing, double-click it, or select its edit button.

Edit, delete, duplicate, or copy a DM

Each DM has four buttons on the right side of the list:

These buttons do the following.

   Edit – Opens the DM for editing (for configuration, see [Add a DM](#)).

   Delete – Deletes the DM from the list.

   Duplicate – Duplicates the DM and prompts you to name the duplicate.

   Copy – Sends a copy of the DM to a user group or user.

Export and import DMs

You can export DMs for use in other Konica Minolta systems.

Procedure

1. Find and select one or more DMs to export.

2. Select **EXPORT SELECTED** or **EXPORT ALL**.

The DMs are added to a single JSON file and downloaded to your computer.

3. Copy the file to the destination system, display the **DM Manager** dialog, select **IMPORT**, and then open the exported JSON file.

Add a DM

To add a DM:

Procedure

1. On the viewer toolbar, select the display manager button.

2. In the button shortcut menu, select **DM Manager**.

3. In the **DM Manager** dialog, select **ADD NEW DM**.

4. In the second **DM Manager** dialog, enter the following settings.

    Name – Type a name for the DM.

    Inactive – Select to disable the DM until ready for use.

    Private – Select to make the DM available only to you.

    Modalities – Select one or more modalities to which the DM applies.

    Body Part – Prevents all but the selected body part to display.

    To display any body part, leave blank.

    Page Count – The number of monitors that the DM uses to display images.

5. Under **Preview**, in the upper-left corner of the frame, select **1*1** and select a cell layout for the study-level series/images within the monitor.

6. Optional. Select **1*1** in of the cells, and select a series layout for the series-level images within a cell.

7. Optional. To allow missing cells, in the upper-right corner of a page or cell, select the checkbox (see About missing cells).

Figure. In this example, 3 pages (monitors) are configured, with 1, 2, and 4 cells added to each page, respectively. On the second page, Allow Missing Cells is selected at the page level, which means that either the left, right, or both cells can be blank. On the third page, the study will hang if images for the lower-right cell are missing, but not if they are missing in any other cells. The upper left cell is selected for adding a matching rule group and/or matching rule. Because the validation percentage is not yet 100%, matching rules must be added.

8. Note the validation percentage, and then select **SAVE**.

9. If the validation percentage was not 100%, you must add a matching rule that yields 100%. Continue to "Add a matching rule group."

About the order of DMs in the DM manager

When you open a study in the viewer, Exa PACS/RIS finds all DMs that match the study, and then hangs the study using the one that was highest in the list in the DM manager. It also makes all matching DMs available to you in the DM toolbar and in the DM button shortcut menu. You can change the default order of DMs in the DM manager by dragging them in the list.

About missing cells

By default, DM pages and cells do not allow *missing cells*. This means that if no image exists in the study that can hang in one of the cells on a page, no images hang at all on the page. For example, if you configured a DM to display a current image in the left cell and a prior in the right cell, but no prior is found, then the current image does not hang.

Sometimes it is preferable to allow missing cells. For example, if you configured your DM to display up to three priors, but only two priors are found, you still want to display the current image and the two priors.

Add a matching rule group

You can group matching rules and apply AND/OR logic to them. If set to AND, all rules in the group must be true to hang images, and if set to OR, at least one rule must be true. Adding a matching rule group is optional, but we recommend doing so for most applications.

Procedure

1. In the DM Manager, in the list of DMs, double-click to open the DM to which you want to add a matching rule group.

2. Under **Preview**, select a cell.

3. At the bottom of the window, on the **MATCHING RULES** tab, select **ADD GROUP**.

   The new group initially appears as a row of buttons under the ADD GROUP button.

The matching rule group is the row of buttons on the bottom. No rules have been added to the group.

4. Add one or more rules to the group.

5. In the list on the right side of the dialog, select a relationship of AND or OR.

6. At the top of the dialog, select **SAVE.**

See also:

Add a general matching rule to a DM
Add a prior matching rule to a DM
Add a mammo matching rule to a DM
Add a mammo rule for breast implant displacement

Add a general matching rule to a DM

When you add a DM, the modality, body part, and allow missing cell settings you enter *roughly* determine which images hang where in the DM. You can also *finely* determine this by using general matching rules. In most cases you should use a general matching rule, but for mammography, see Add a mammo matching rule to a DM.

General matching rules consist of an argument, logical operator, and matching value. For example:

Study Date (arg.) is Less/Equal (operator) to 01/02/2003 (matching value).

Procedure

1. Open the DM to which you want to add matching rules.

2. Under **Preview**, select the cell to which to apply the rule.

3. At the bottom of the window, on the **MATCHING RULES** tab, select **ADD GENERAL RULE**.

    Note: If you created a group and you want the rule to be included in the group, select the button that is inside the group.

4. In the **Matching Tag** dialog, enter the following settings.

    DICOM Tag/Field – Select a tag to use as the argument.

    Operator – Select an operator.

    Matching Value – Type a matching value, and then select the plus sign.

5. Modify the rule until the validation percentage is 100%, or add another rule.

6. Select **SAVE**.

7. In **DM Manager**, select **SAVE**.

Add a mammo matching rule to a DM

If you assigned the MG modality to a DM, you can add mammography matching rules to it. Mammo rules take the form of mammography-specific properties; if an image matches all properties the DM is applied.

Procedure

1. Open the DM to which you want to add mammo rules.

2. Under **Preview**, select a cell.

3. At the bottom of the window, on the **MATCHING RULES** tab, select **ADD MAMMO. RULE**.

    Note: If you created a group and you want the rule to be included in the group, select the button that is inside the group.

4. In the **Mammo Rule** dialog, enter the following settings.

Setting	Options	Description
Side	Left	Left breast
	Right	Right breast
	?	Either
View	[Various]	Select the primary breast view.
DON'T CARE	[Various]	Select the secondary breast view. Selecting DON'T CARE allows any of the secondary views to display except ID.
Processing Type	Unprocessed	Raw images
	Tomosynthesis	3D images
	CView	2D images taken from a tomosynthesis study
	Processed	Standard 2D images
	?	Images without the "0008,0068" Presentation Intent Type DICOM tag.
Image Index	ANY	Images of any index can hang
	1–20	Only an image of the selected index can hang.

5. Modify the rule until the validation percentage is 100%, or add another rule.

6. Select **SAVE**.

7. In **DM Manager**, select **SAVE**.

See also:

Build a mammography DM

Add a prior matching rule to a DM

To hang priors, add a prior matching rule to the destination DM cell.

Procedure

1. Open the DM to which you want to add prior rules.

2. Under **Preview**, select a cell.

3. At the bottom of the window, on the **MATCHING RULES** tab, select **ADD PRIOR RULE**.

   Note: If you created a group and you want the rule to be applied to the group, select the button that is inside the group.

4. In the **Prior Rule** dialog, select the index of the prior that you want to hang in the cell.

   Note: Selecting ANY allows you to move through all available priors when viewing a single DM.

5. Select **SAVE**.

6. In **DM Manager**, select **SAVE**.

Add a mammo rule for breast implant displacement

You can create a DM for breast views that allows you to displace (effectively hide) the implant.

Procedure

1. Add a mammo rule to a DM cell, and in the **DON'T CARE** list, select **ID**.

2. When viewing implant images, rotate the wheel to switch between displaced and non-displaced views.

See also:

Build a mammography DM
Mammography views

About the DM validation percentage

The DM validation percentage helps you by indicating, roughly, the percentage of cells in a DM you are configuring that would not display any images under the current settings. To achieve 100 percent, apply a valid condition or rule to each cell in the DM. If the percentage is not 100, Exa PACS/RIS prevents you from using the DM at all. You can view the percentage by opening a DM for editing; the percentage appears on the right side of the Preview area title.

Use the Display Management tab

To automatically apply additional processing to all images that hang in a DM, you can use the Display Management tab in the DM manager.

Procedure

1. In **DM Manager**, open a DM, and then select a cell.

2. On the **DISPLAY MANAGEMENT** tab, enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Auto-Orient	[Unused]
Rotation	Select a degree of clockwise rotation.
Mirror	Select to switch the left and right breast view.
View	Select a zoom type.
Invert Sigmoid Linear CLAHE Fusion CAD	Select one or more processing functions to apply.
Current MG Only	Exempts the current cell from the Stack by View and Prior option.
CAD	Select to display CAD values according to the SR CAD settings when the user reaches this step of the hanging protocol.
LUT	Select an LUT to apply.
Bone Enhance	Select a percentage of bone enhancement.
Window/Level	Select Default or Custom. If Custom, type the values to apply.
Reprocess	Select to generate an additional view from the base view.

3. Select **UPDATE**, and then **SAVE**.

See also:

Configure mammography

Create a DM from an existing layout

To create a DM more quickly, you can arrange a layout in the viewer, and then save it as a DM.

⚠️ The rules that are created with this method include as many parameters from the source studies as possible, and may be overly restrictive for general use, or apply unexpected image processing. Therefore to ensure proper hanging and rendering, review the resultant rules in both the MATCHING RULES and DISPLAY MANAGEMENT tabs and modify if necessary.

Procedure

1. Open a study in the viewer and configure the display to your liking.

2. On the toolbar, select the **DM** button, and then in the button shortcut menu, select **DM Save**.

3. In the **DM Information** dialog, type a name for the DM and select or clear the **Private** checkbox.

4. Select **SAVE**.

Example DM with a general matching rule

In this example we add a DM for viewing chest X-rays with an AP view on the left and a lateral view on the right. Continuing after step 3 of "DM examples:"

Add the DM

1. In **Name** box, type CHEST TEST.

2. the **Modality** list, select **CR**, and then select **DX**.

3. In the **Page Count** box, type or select **1**.

4. Under **Preview**, on the page header, select **1*1** and select a 1 x 2 cell layout.

Add a rule group and general rules for the left cell

1. Select the left cell, and on the **MATCHING RULES** tab, select **ADD GROUP**.

2. In the new group, select **ADD GENERAL RULE**.

3. In the **Matching Tag** dialog:

   - In the **DICOM Field/Tag** list, select **Modality**.

   - In the **Operator** list, select **Equal**.

   - In the Matching Value box, type **CR**, select the plus (+) button, and then select **SAVE.**

   Note: In practice you may also want to add the DX modality.

4. Following the previous step, add another general rule:

- **DICOM Field/Tag** = SeriesDescription

- **Operator** = Contains

- **Matching Value** = ap

5. On the right side of the matching rule group, in the list, select **AND**.

   This means that the image must satisfy both rules to hang in the cell.

Add general rules for the right cell

1. Select the right cell, and select **ADD GENERAL RULE**.

2. In the **Matching Tag** dialog, add the following rule:

   - **DICOM Field/Tag** = SeriesDescription

   - **Operator** = Contains

   - **Matching Value** = lat

3. Next to **Preview**, confirm that the validation percentage is 100%.

4. Select **SAVE**, and then close the DM manager.

5. Select **F5** to update the viewer with your new DM.

Add a DM group

To keep different sets of hanging protocols for different appointment types and studies, you can combine DMs into groups.

Procedure

1. On the burger ☰ menu, select **SETUP**.

2. On the **OFFICE** menu, select **DICOM**.

3. On the **HANGING PROTOCOLS** tab, under **DM Group**, select the plus ➕ button.

4. In the **DM Group** dialog, on the left, type descriptive information for your DM group.

5. Under **Associate group to study by**, do one of the following:

   - Select **APPOINTMENT TYPE**, select one or more appointment types in the list, and then select **SAVE**.
   - Select **STUDY DESCRIPTION**. In the **Study Description** box, type a description, and then select the plus ➕ button.

6. Click **SAVE**.

Share DMs with a DM group

To add (share) DMs with a DM group:

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, select **SETUP**.

2. On the **OFFICE** menu, select **DICOM**.

3. On the **HANGING PROTOCOLS** tab, find a DM to add to a group.

4. On the right, select the share ⟋ button.

5. In the **Share** dialog, select the group with which to share the DM, and then select **SHARE**.

Share DM groups with users

By default, DM groups that you create are only available to you. To share a DM groups with other users or user groups:

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, select **SETUP**.

2. On the **OFFICE** menu, select **DICOM**.

3. On the **HANGING PROTOCOLS** tab, under **DM Group**, select a DM group to share.

4. On the right, select the edit ✎ button.

5. In the **Edit DM Group** dialog, select **SHARE**.

6. In the **Copy** dialog, select users or groups with which to share the DM group, and then select **COPY**.

About DM groups and private DMs

When a DM is created by a member of a DM group, the following apply.

Availability	Instance	Users	Access
Private**	Original	Creator	Read/Write
		All Others	None
	Copy	Shared with users	Read/Write
		Shared with user groups	Read-Only
	Copy of shared copy	Shared with users or user groups	Read/Write

Availability	Instance	Users	Access
Non-Private	Original	Creator	Read/Write
		Group members	Read-Only
	Copy	Shared with user group or DM group members	Read-Only

*Read here means view, use to hang studies, or copy to other users.

**Imported DMs are automatically marked as Private for the importing user.

Build a mammography DM

The following is an example of how to build a DM that displays priors on top and current images (RCC, LCC, RMLO, LMLO) on the bottom. This DM shows all main views and specialty views such as spot and cleavage, synthesized views, and implant displaced views.

1. In the viewer, on the toolbar, select the **DM** button, and then in the button shortcut menu, select **DM Manager**.

2. Select **ADD New DM**.

3. Type a name for the DM, and then enter required settings.

   OPTIONAL: In the **Body Part** list, select **Breast**.

4. In the **Page Count** box, type the number of **monitors**.
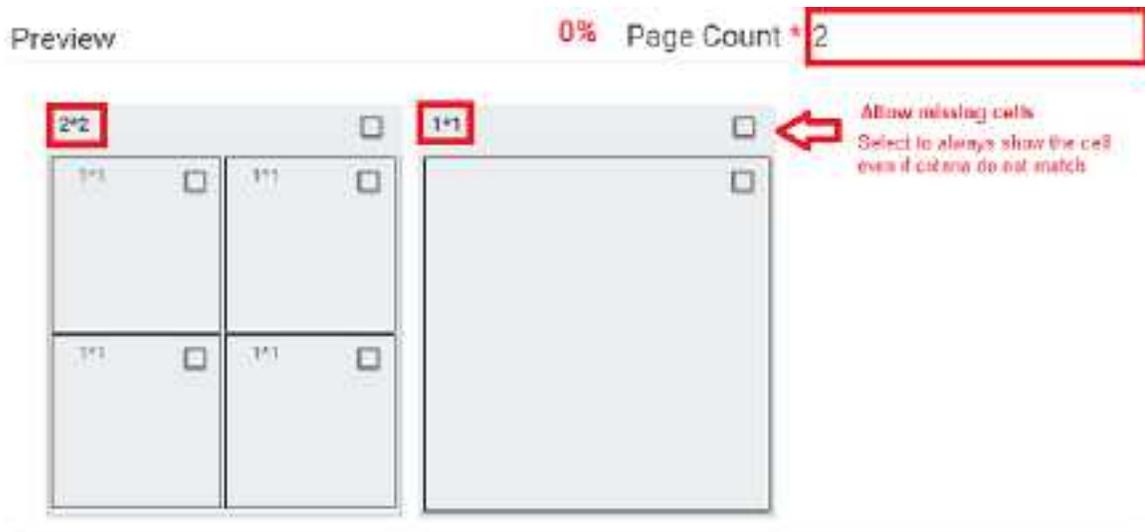
5. Select the layout numbers (such as **2*2** or **1*1**), and then select the number of cells.

6. Select the **Allow missing cells** check box for each page and/or cell that you want to always display, even if empty.

7. Select a cell, and then on the **MATCHING RULES** tab, select **ADD GROUP**.

8. In the list, select **OR**, and then select **ADD MAMMO RULE**.

- "**OR**" means "this rule, OR any subsequent rules." We build mammography DMs in a group to have the system look for multiple views, which allows us to use one DM for multiple scenarios.
- **Groups** allow you to have the system look for multiple views, and use one DM for multiple scenarios.

9. For the top left cell, add the following rule criteria.

This means, "Right side, CC Family (All views), any specialty view except ID (Implant displacement), and processed."

10. Select **SAVE.**

   Result: Rules matching your criteria appear in the list.

11. Within your group, select **ADD MAMMO RULE** and add the following additional rules.

   - Right, CC Family, Don't Care, Synthesized
   - Right, CC Family, ID, Processed
   - Right, CC Family, ID, Synthesized

12. From outside the group, select **ADD PRIOR RULE** for this cell.

   Note: The button outside the group applies the rule to the entire group.

13. For Study Index, select one of the following options.

   - **Any**: Display all allowable MG priors (the allowed number depends on Auto Open settings for the MG modality).
   - **1**: Show the first prior
   - **2**: Show the second prior

14. In the **Display Management** tab, customize the way the image displays with the following options.

Auto orient, rotate, Mirror flip (for Radiologists who view Left on Left, Right on Right), Zoom, Invert, Sigmoid, Linear, Clahe, Fusion, LUT, Bone Enhance, Window/Level, Reprocess.

15. Repeat steps above to configure each cell of your DM.

16. Select **SAVE** at the top.

See also:

[Add a mammo matching rule to a DM](#)
[Add a prior matching rule to a DM](#)
[Add a mammo rule for breast implant displacement](#)
[Add a DM group](#)
[Mammography views](#)

Example DM for ultrasound

In this example we add a DM that hangs a 3 x 2 series layout (3 rows, 2 columns) of only ultrasound images. Continuing after step 3 of "DM examples:"

Add the DM

1. In **Name** box, type US TEST.

2. the **Modality** list, select **US**.

3. In the **Page Count** box, type or select **1**.

4. Under **Preview**, select the 1*1 cell (not the page header), and select a 3 x 2 series layout.

Add a general rule for all images

1. Select inside the page's 1*1 cell to highlight everything around the 3 x 2 series-level cells.

2. Add the following general rule.

   - **DICOM Field/Tag** = Modality

   - **Operator** = Equal

   - **Matching Value** = US

3. Confirm that the validation percentage is 100%, and then save the DM.

Gather information from images

View pixel values in Hounsfield units

You can view the value of a selected pixel in Hounsfield units.

Prerequisite: <u>Add the relevant toolbar tools</u>.

- On the viewer toolbar, select the Hounsfield units ![Hu] tool, and then select and hold the mouse button on the pixel of interest.
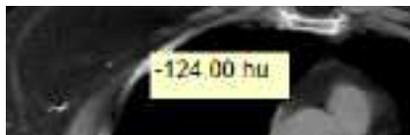
Display DICOM values

You can display the DICOM tag values associated with the current image by doing one of the following.

Prerequisite: <u>Add the relevant toolbar tools</u>.

- On the viewer toolbar, select the DICOM values ![icon] button.

- On an image shortcut menu, select **View** > **DICOM Values**.

Export DICOM values

When you view DICOM values in the viewer you can export them to a CSV. This CSV file can **only** be displayed correctly in **Notepad**, **Notepad++**, or **Wordpad**.

Prerequisite: <u>Add the relevant tools to the image shortcut menu</u>.

Procedure

1. On an image shortcut menu, select **View** > **DICOM Values**.

2. In the title bar of the screen that appears, select the download ![icon] button.

   Result: The file is downloaded to your Windows Downloads folder.

Print images to a standard printer

You can print the current image, series, or study to a TWAIN (non-DICOM) printer. It is a convenient, less-expensive alternative to DICOM printing, but is not suitable for diagnostic purposes. See also DICOM-print a study.

Prerequisite: Add the relevant toolbar tools.

Procedure

1. On the viewer toolbar, select the print ⬛ button.

2. In the **Print Image** dialog, enter the following settings.

   Layout – Select the number and arrangement of frames per page.

   Page Size – Select the paper size and print orientation.

   Compress Large Images – Select to compress large images (for lower quality but faster printing).

   Selected Image – Select to print the current image.

   Selected Series – Select to print all images in the current series.

   Current Page – Select to print the current image in all displayed frames.

   Key Images – Select to print key images from the current series.

   All Images – Select to print all images in the current study.

3. Select **Print**.

4. In the Windows print dialog, configure options and select **Print**.

Open a third-party application or function

If you configured a third-party application or function, you can open it from the toolbar.

- On the viewer toolbar, select the external tool button corresponding to the item to open.

Download images

You can download images and series from studies to your desktop in various formats.

- To download the selected image as a PNG (regardless of the current series layout), on the image shortcut menu, select **Download Image**.

- To download each image in the current series as a separate file, on the image shortcut menu, select **Download Series**, and then select the file format.

About viewing CAD findings

The Exa PACS/RIS viewer automatically displays image markers contained in SR data from supported manufacturers such as iCAD, DiA, and CureMetrix (such as the CureMetrix mammography calcification and density markings). To control which markings to display, select options in the SR CAD list.

Exa PACS/RIS uses tracking IDs in the SR data to ensure that when you click a 2D/synthesized image annotation it jumps correctly to the corresponding 3D/BTO image. Additionally:

- If the BTO series is not already open, it opens next to the 2D/synthesized view in a 1 x 2 layout. You can go back to the original layout by selecting the backslash key (if the DM was not interrupted).

- When 3D CAD SR markings are present and you hover over a CAD SR marking on the synthesized or 2D view, the color changes to the hover color configured in viewer interface settings.

See also:

Configure annotation colors
View tomographic studies with CAD findings
Configure mammography

Work with Advanced Peer Review

Configure peer review

With purchase of a separate license, Exa PACS/RIS provides an advanced workflow for conducting peer reviews of approved studies. Before using advanced peer review, perform the following configuration tasks included in this section.

- Set up peer review by using existing roles, groups, and users

  <OR>

- Set up peer review by creating new roles, groups, and users

- Link peer review users to resources

- Configure peer reviewing provider filters

Set up peer review by using existing roles, groups, and users

Current users of Exa PACS/RIS probably already configured radiologist user roles, groups, and users. If so, perform the following steps to give peer review functionality to radiologists by adding the appropriate rights to the relevant user roles. If one or more roles, groups, or users are not yet configured, see Set up peer review by creating new roles, groups, and users.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **User Management** > **USER ROLES**.

2. Double-click a user role to use for peer reviewing, such as the Radiologist user role (or if useful, you can create a dedicated Peer Reviewer user role).

   Note: The user role must be one that is assigned to the user group whose members you want to be peer reviewers.

3. In the **User Role Permission** area, select the **PeerReview** checkbox.

4. Select **SAVE & CLOSE**.

5. Continue to Link peer review users to resources.

Set up peer review by creating new roles, groups, and users

To add peer review to an existing user role, group, or user, see Set up peer review by using existing roles, groups, and users. To create a new user role for peer review, complete the following steps.

Procedure

1. Following the steps in Create a user role, create a user role for peer review.

   Give the role a fitting name and description, such as PR and Peer Review.

2. In the **User Role Permission** area, select the **PeerReview** user right, and any other rights that you want to assign to peer review users.

3. Select **SAVE & CLOSE**.

4. Following the steps in Create a user group, create a user group for peer review, and select the user role you created previously.

5. Select **SAVE**.

6. Following the steps in Create a user, create peer reviewing users, or edit existing users to add them to the peer review group you created previously.

7. Select **SAVE**.

8. Continue to Link peer review users to resources.

Link peer review users to resources

Ensure that all of your peer-reviewing radiologists were linked to a Provider Radiology resource. If not, use the following procedure.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Providers & Resources** > **RESOURCE** > **ADD**.
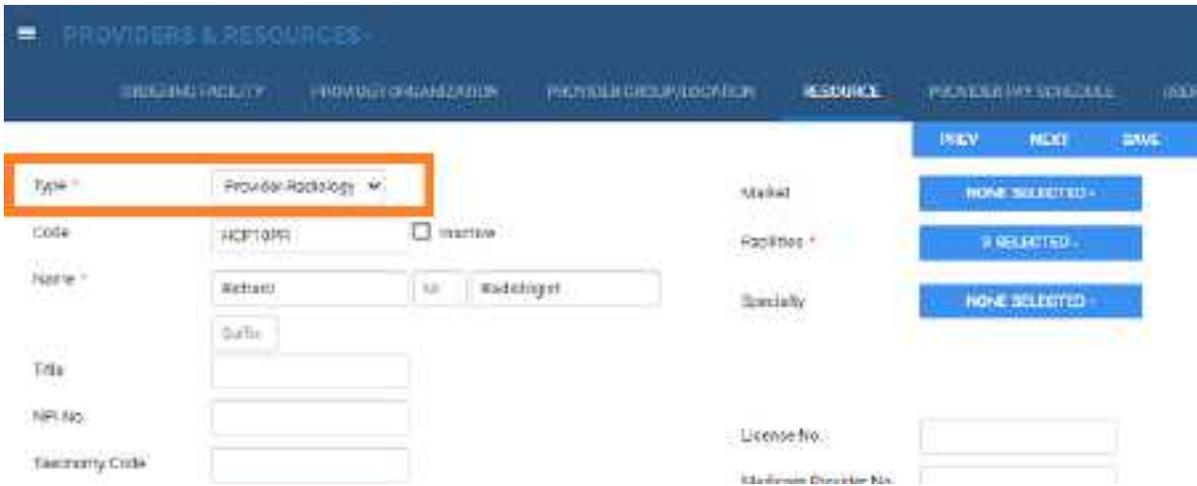
2. Create a and then enter the relevant settings. Most are self-explanatory, but note the following.

Setting	Description
Type	Select **Provider-Radiology**.
Code	Type your internal resource code.
Facilities	Select the facilities whose radiologists perform peer review.

3. Select **SAVE**.

4. On the **LOGIN DETAILS** sub-tab, in the **Select User** dropdown list, select the radiologist and select **LINK USER**.

   Alternatively, you can create a user "on the fly" in the right side of the screen.
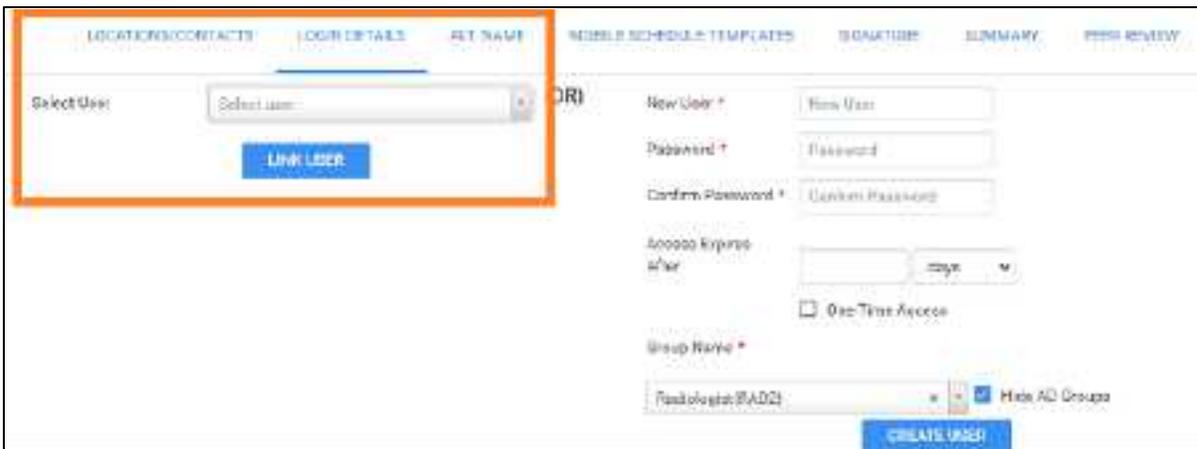
5. Select **SAVE & CLOSE**.

Configure peer reviewing provider filters

Exa PACS/RIS automatically assigns random studies to each peer reviewing provider that are relevant to those providers. To specify which studies are relevant to which providers, configure filters for each peer reviewing provider as follows.

Procedure

1. Go to <u>SETUP</u> > <u>OFFICE</u> > **Providers & Resources** > **RESOURCE**.

2. Double-click the peer-reviewing radiologist resource.

3. On the **PEER REVIEW** sub-tab, enter filtering criteria.

   For example, if the provider can only review studies from the "Angela Facility" facility:

   a. Under **Facility**, select **Is**.

   b. In the list of facilities, select **Angela Facility**.

   Note: A study must meet all of the criteria you specify here to be available to the provider for peer review.

   Note: Leave settings blank to include all items in the filter. For example, leave the Study Description setting blank if the provider can review studies with any description.

4. Select **SAVE**.

Use peer review

Assign a peer reviewer for a study

Exa PACS/RIS automatically appoints peer reviewers and adds studies to their MY PEER REVIEW worklist filters. Additionally, users with the "Peer Review manual appointment" right can manually appoint peer reviewers for their studies with the following procedure.

Prerequisite: Configure peer review.

Procedure

1. On the worklist, right-click a DICOM study, hover over **Exam**, and then select **Assign Study**.
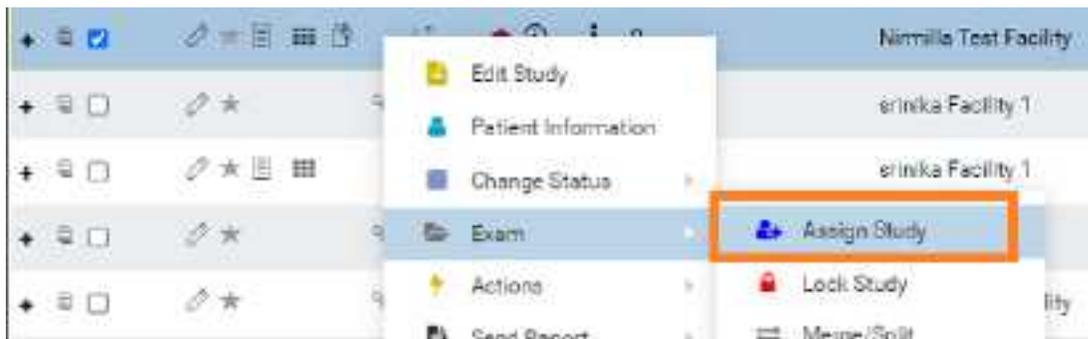
2. In the **Study Assignment** dialog, on the **Assign for peer review** dropdown list, select a peer reviewer resource.
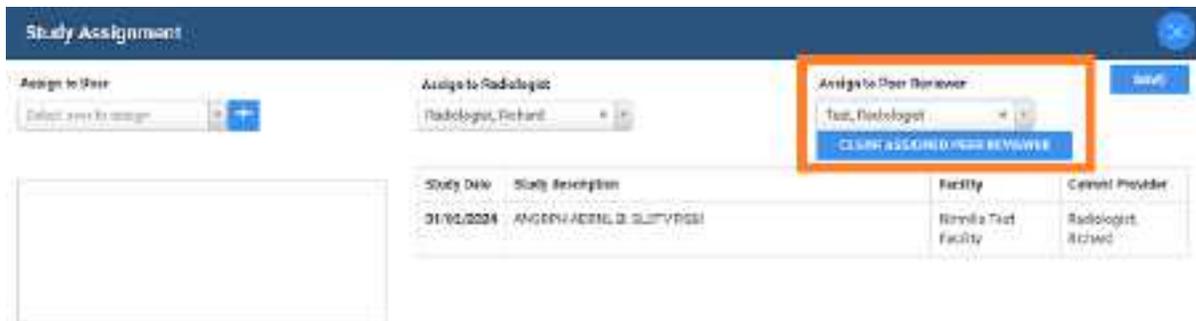
3. Select **SAVE**.

Reassign peer review

You can reassign a previously appointed peer review.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **User Management** > **ASSIGNED STUDIES** > **PEER REVIEW**.

2. Select one or more studies, right-click, and then select **Reassign**.

3. In the **Appoint Peer Reviewer** dialog, appoint a new peer reviewer.

4. Select **SAVE**.

Conduct a peer review of a study

When peer reviewing users sign in to Exa PACS/RIS, a MY PEER REVIEW worklist filter appears with all studies assigned to the user for peer review.

Procedure

1. On the worklist, select the **MY PEER REVIEW** tab

The symbols accompanying studies indicate the following:

👁 Awaiting first review

👁 Awaiting second review

👁 Awaiting third review (disagreement)

2. Double-click a study to peer-review.
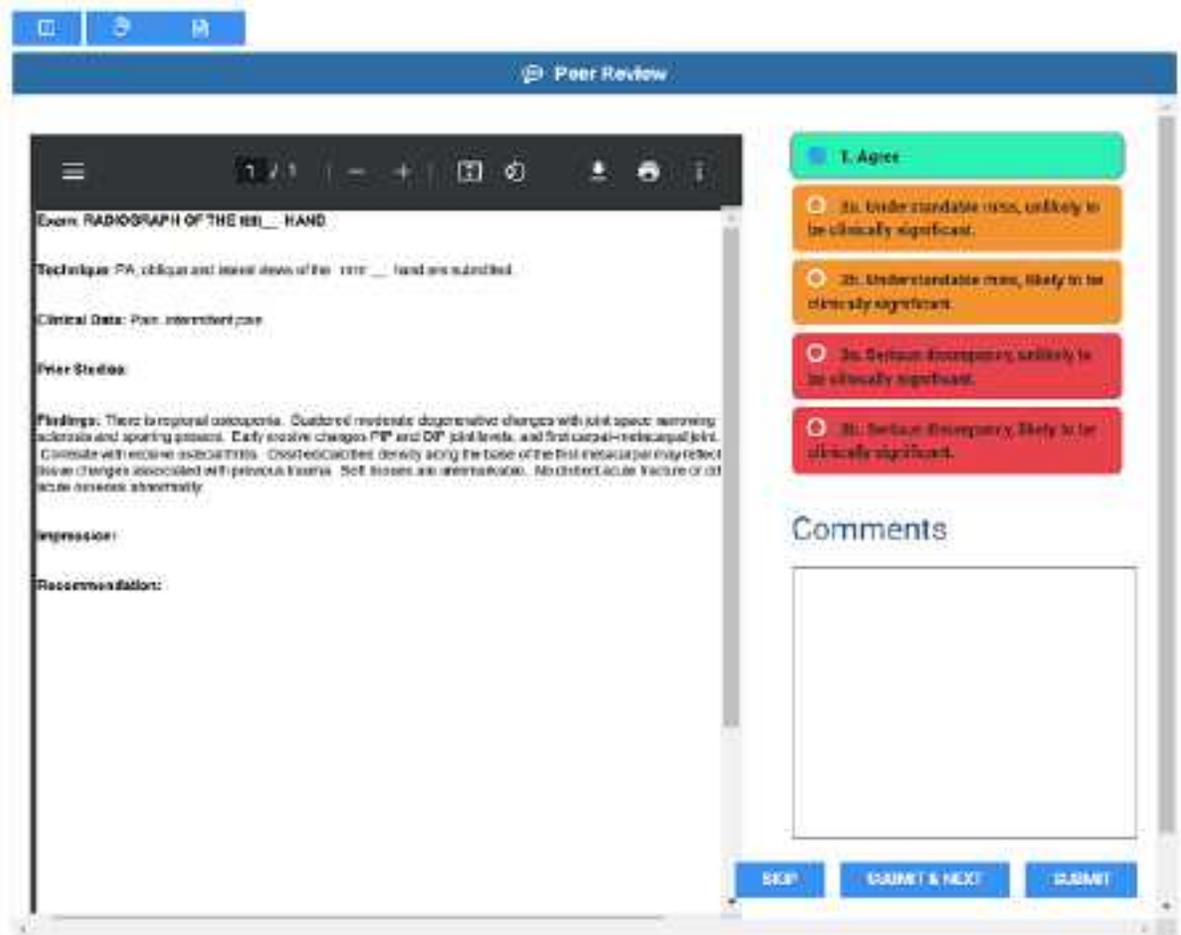
3. In the **Peer Review** panel, select buttons on the toolbar to open any panels you need to conduct the review.

Buttons: Peer Review (always ON), Prior Reports, Documents

4. Optional. To add documents, in the **Documents** area, select **FULL SCAN** (display options before scanning) scan or **QUICK SCAN** (scan without options).

5. In the top-right corner of the **Peer Review** area, select an agreement level, and then type comments as needed.

6. Select one of the following:

    SKIP – Withhold your review temporarily and return to the study later.

    SUBMIT & NEXT – Submit your review and open the next study in your list.

    SUBMIT – Submit your review.

About peer review disagreements

The worklist provides a Peer Review Disagreements tab for administrators that lists all peer-reviewed studies for which a reviewer selected *Disagree*. On the Peer Review Disagreements tab, administrators can reassign a study to a specific user for a third opinion, or dismiss the study, such as when a third opinion is not available. Users who are assigned for a third opinion peer review receive the study in their My Peer Review tab, and perform the new peer review in the usual manner.

Manage peer review disagreements

To manage peer review disagreements:

Prerequisite: Sign in as an administrator with the **Peer Review manual appointment** user right.

Procedure

1. In the upper right corner of the worklist, select the disagreement button.

2. In the **PEER REVIEW DISAGREEMENTS** tab, right-click a study.

- To get a third opinion, select **Reassign for Additional Review**, and then assign a new peer reviewer (see Assign a peer reviewer for a study).

- To dismiss the study, select **Dismiss Study.**

Create a peer review report

You can generate a report that shows details on studies that were peer-reviewed.

Prerequisite: The user's user role must include the Peer Review Operational right.

Procedure

1. On the burger menu, select **Reports.**
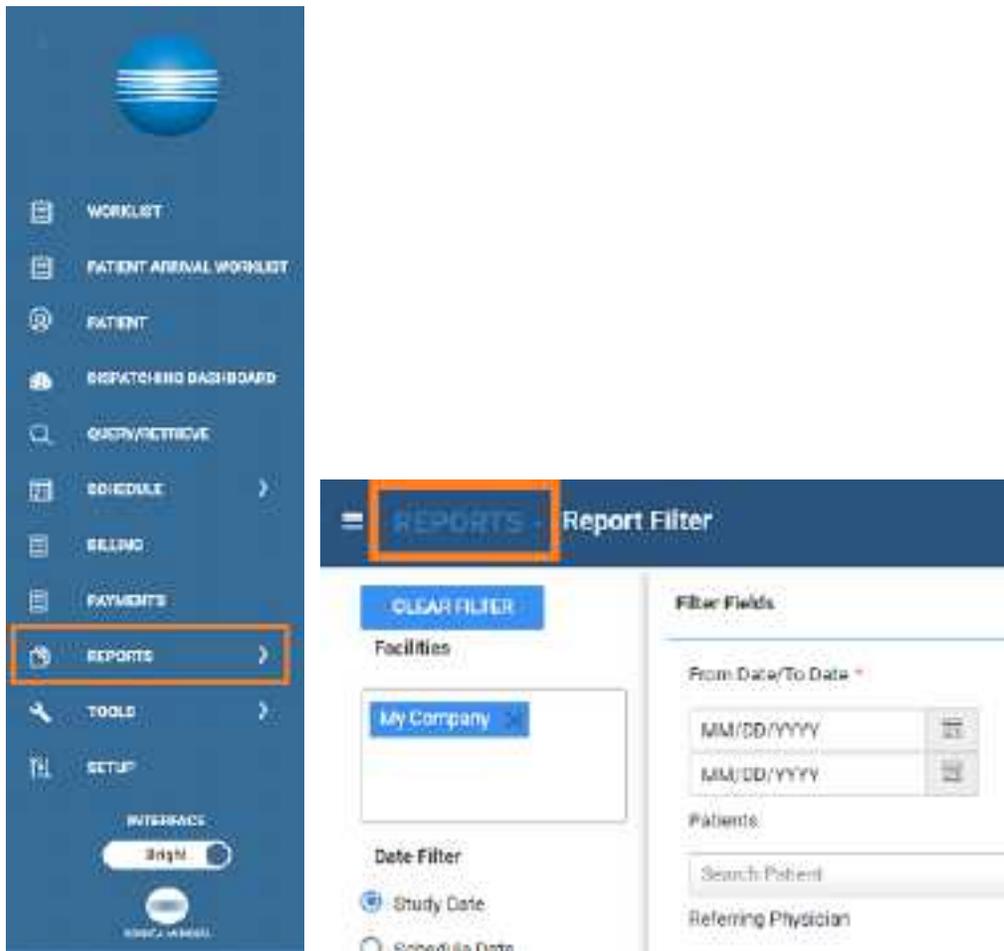
2. Next to the burger button, select the word **REPORTS**, and then select **Peer Review Operational**.

Schedule & Exports	Operations	Patients	My R
Daily Schedules	Cancellation Reason	Worksheet	My R
Export Completed Studies	Scheduler Activity		
Marketing Rep Activities	Unfinished Studies		
Unsigned Orders	Referrals Variance		
	Studies Breakdown		
	Studies by Modality		
	Studies by Modality Room		
	Modality Breakdown		
	Technologist Productivity		
	Peer Review Operational		
	Fees by Facility and Modality		
	Fees by Radiologist		

3. Enter filtering criteria, and then select a button corresponding to the format in which you want to generate the report.

Work with Patient Kiosk

What is Patient Kiosk?

With a license for Patient Kiosk, Exa PACS/RIS provides functions that streamline the check-in process.

For Patients

Patient Kiosk enables patients to check in for their appointments on a touchscreen device at a healthcare provider's facility. During check-in they can view and update demographic and insurance information, and complete and sign electronic forms. Checking in through Patient Kiosk ensures that patients are correctly matched to their records.

For Staff

Staff can use functionality within Exa PACS/RIS to process appointments and information coming from patients using Patient Kiosk.

Configure Patient Kiosk

Make study forms available on Patient Kiosk

You can configure study forms to be available for viewing and signing on Patient Kiosk. To add a study form to a study, see other sections in this manual.

Procedure

1. Go to <u>SETUP</u> > <u>OFFICE</u> > **General** > **FORM BUILDER**.
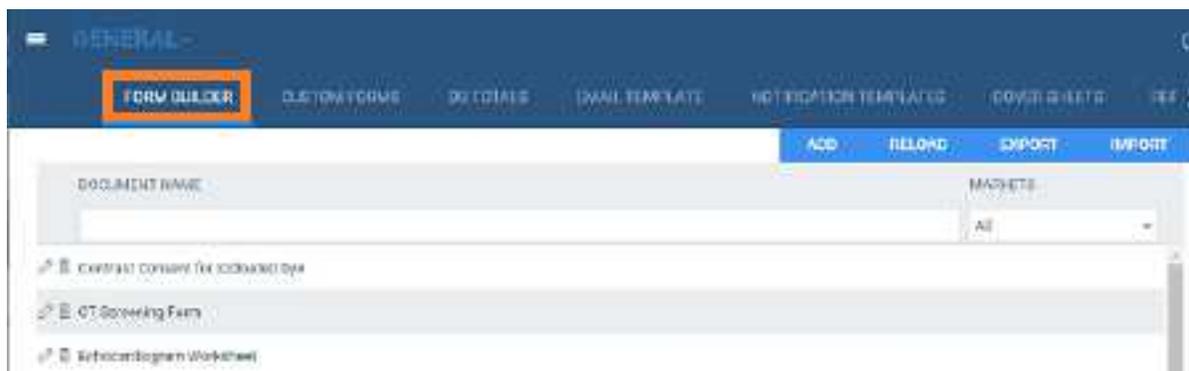
2. Double-click the form you want to make available.

3. On the **ASSIGN** tab, select the **Viewable on Patient Portal** checkbox.

4. Move down to **Facility**, and select the checkboxes for the facilities where the form will be available.

5. Select **SAVE.**

Configure the wait time monitor

The wait time monitor appears in the upper right corner of the patient arrival worklist. It is similar to the TAT and STAT monitors on the traditional worklist, but indicates how long and how many patients have been waiting since sign-in. By default, the monitor includes three time bands (10, 20, and 30 minutes), but you can change the number of bands, their colors, times, and descriptions.

Procedure

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Office** > **COMPANY** > **APP SETTINGS**.

2. In the left pane, select **Patient Arrival Wait Time**.
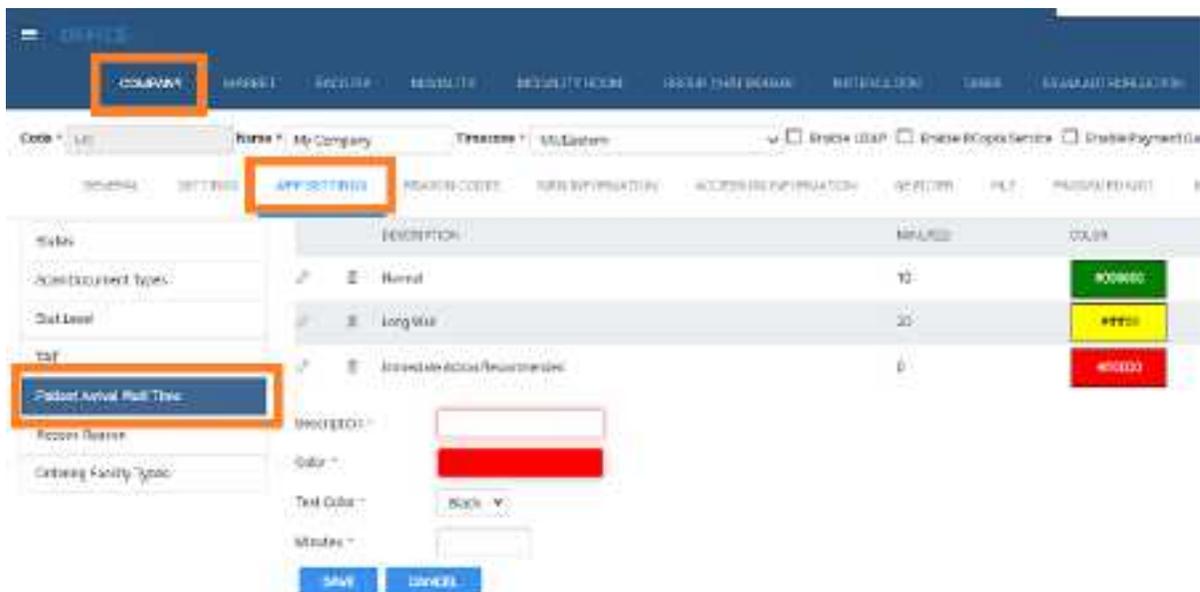
3. In the right pane:

- To add a new band, at the bottom of the list, enter settings (such as Description and Color).

- To edit an existing band, double-click it in the list, and change settings as needed.

4. Select **SAVE.**

Use Patient Kiosk as a patient

Sign in as a patient

Patients can use Patient Kiosk to sign in at the point of care.

To start, tap a facility or type its name to search. Next:

Procedure

1. On the Welcome page:

   - **New patients**: Tap New patient, and then **skip to step 3.**

   - **Existing patients**: Tap Existing patient.

2. On the **Check-in** page:

   - If you were given a check-in code prior to arrival, tap **Check-in code**. On the **Check-in Code** page, enter your code, select the **I agree to the HIPAA privacy notice** checkbox, and then tap **Check In**.

   - If you do not have a check-in code, tap **Patient portal credentials**, enter your credentials, select the **I agree to the HIPAA privacy notice** checkbox, and then tap **Check In**.

3. On the **Demographics** page, enter or edit your personal information, and then tap **Next**.

4. On the **Contact information** page, enter or edit your contact information, and then tap **Next**.

5. On the **Responsible party** page, enter or edit information for the entity paying for the procedure, and then tap **Next**.

6. On the **Primary insurance** page, enter or edit information for your primary insurance provider, if any, and then tap **Next**.

Note: If you do not know the policy number or other details, you can leave them blank for now.

7. On the **Secondary insurance** page, enter or edit information for the secondary insurance provider, and then do one of the following.

- If the Submit button appears, tap it to finish sign-in.

- Tap **Next**, and continue to the next step.

8. On the **Forms** page:

a. In the **Who Is Signing** list, select the signer.

b. In the **Name** box, type the name of the signer.

c. Tap a form in the list, read/edit the form, and then tap **SAVE.**

d. Use your finger or stylus to sign your name in the signature box, and then tap **Save Signature**.

e. Repeat for all other forms in the list, and then tap **Submit**.

Use Patient Kiosk as a healthcare staff member

Generate a check-in code for a patient

To facilitate patients checking in for their appointments through Patient Kiosk, you can either configure a patient portal account or provide them with a check-in code.

Procedure

1. Go to Worklist > Edit Study screen > **PATIENT INFORMATION**.

2. Select **CHECK-IN CODE**.

   Result: A dialog appears with the check-in code.

3. Send the code to the patient by using email, phone, or other means.

See also:

Add or edit a patient's portal account

What is the patient arrival worklist?

The *patient arrival worklist* is a screen within Exa PACS/RIS that staff can use to manage the patient check-in process. When a patient checks in for an appointment by using Patient Kiosk, a patient row is added to the patient arrival worklist. Staff confirm or update the information in each row, and complete the check-in. They can also take receipt of electronically signed patient intake forms, and perform other registration tasks.

The symbols to the left of the patient name indicate the registration status.

👤	Existing patient, no verification required.
ⓝ	New patient, or matching record not found. Requires searching for a matching record and/or verification.
👤	Sign-in information differs from the patient chart, requires verification.

The color of the square on each row of the patient arrival worklist indicates how long the patient has been waiting to be checked in. By default, the colors indicate the following wait times. To change the colors, see Configure the wait time monitor.

⬛	Waiting for less than 10 minutes
🟩	Waiting for up to 10 minutes
🟪	Waiting for 11 to 20 minutes
🟥	Waiting for 21 to 30 minutes

See also:

Check in a patient for a scheduled appointment
Check in a patient if demographics do not match
Check in a patient if their chart is not found
Check in a patient for a walk-in appointment

Check in a patient for a scheduled appointment

If the patient symbol is blue 👤, and has a study scheduled within the next 12 hours, you can check in that patient. If a patient has multiple studies scheduled for a single visit, all of the studies are checked in at once.

Procedure

1. Go to burger menu ☰ > PATIENT ARRIVAL WORKLIST.

2. In the **Facility** button list, select your facility.
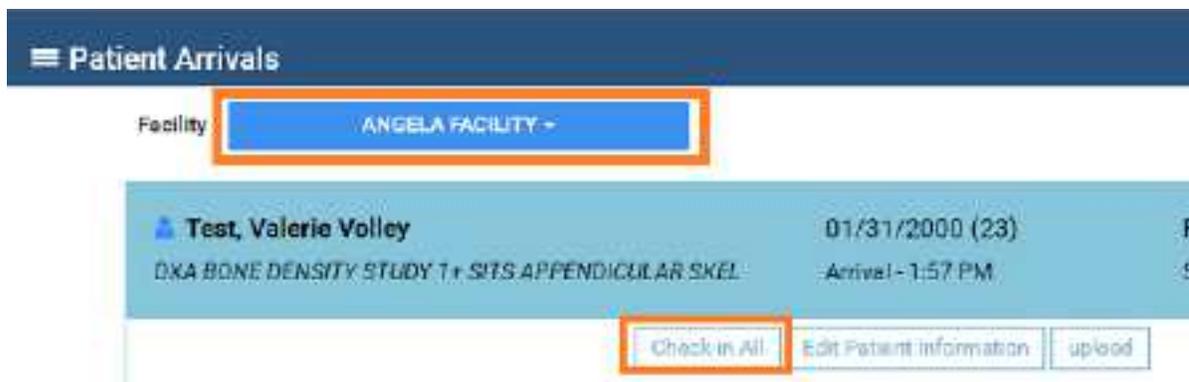
3. Select the patient row to view patient information.

> The information is color-coded as follows.
>
> **Green**   Information that the patient added or edited during check-in.
>
> Black   Original, unchanged information.
>
> (Parens)   Information prior to editing by the patient during check-in.
>
> If any is missing or incorrect, select **Edit Patient Information** to open the patient chart and make changes.

1. Optional: To attach documents to the chart, select **Upload**.

2. Select **Check In All**.

   The patient is checked in, and the row is removed from the patient arrival worklist.

See also:

Check in a patient if demographics do not match
Check in a patient if their chart is not found
Check in a patient for a walk-in appointment

Check in a patient if new or their chart is not found

If the patient symbol is green ⓘ, the patient is either new or the information they provided could not be matched to a patient chart. For such patients you can manually search for and attach the patient chart or create a new patient chart directly from the patient arrival worklist.

Procedure

1. Go to burger menu ▤ > PATIENT ARRIVAL WORKLIST.

2. In the **Facility** button list, select your facility.

3. Select a patient row to view details.

4. If the patient is new, select **Create New Patient**, and then fill in the patient chart and save. If the **Check-in All** button appears, select it to complete the check-in. Otherwise, continue.

5. Select **Patient Search**.

6. In the **Patient Search** dialog, enter search criteria and then double-click a patient in the list of results.

7. Wait until the registration status changes, and if the **Check-in All** button appears, select it to complete the check-in. Otherwise, see Check in a patient if demographics do not match or Check in a patient for a walk-in appointment.

Check in a patient if demographics do not match

If the patient symbol is red 🔴, the information the patient entered into the kiosk differs significantly from the scheduled appointment. For such patients you can accept all the information entered into the kiosk and automatically update the patient chart and study information accordingly, or you can reject all the information and automatically replace it with the original patient and study information.

Procedure

1. Go to burger menu ▤ > PATIENT ARRIVAL WORKLIST.

2. In the **Facility** button list, select your facility.

3. On the patient arrival worklist, select the patient row to view details.

The information is color-coded as follows.

Green   Information that the patient added or edited during check-in.

Black   Original, unchanged information.

(Parens)   Information prior to editing by the patient during check-in.

4. To update the patient chart and study information with the information displayed, select **Accept All Changes**.

5. To revert all information to the existing patient chart and study information, select **Reject All Changes**.

After selecting **Reject All Changes**

Note: If you want to accept some but not all changes, you can select **Accept All Changes** and then open the patient chart and make modifications.

6. Select **Check-in All** to complete the check-in.

Check in a patient for a walk-in appointment

If a patient signs in to the patient kiosk who does not have an appointment, you can create a walk-in appointment for that patient. Walk-ins are considered exceptions and do not appear on the schedule book, but they do appear on the worklist so that staff can make accommodations.

Procedure

1. Go to burger menu ▤ > PATIENT ARRIVAL WORKLIST.

2. In the **Facility** button list, select your facility.

3. Select the patient row, and then select **Walk-in Appointment**.

4. In the **New Appointment** screen, create an appointment in the usual manner (see A typical scheduling workflow).

Work with the patient chart

Exa PACS/RIS gives you full viewing access to patient demographics, and lets you add, edit, and import a patient chart (or an electronic medical record or EMR). The Edit Study screen contains much of the same information as the patient chart.

Find and open a patient chart

Find a patient chart by entering search criteria

You can find an existing patient chart by searching on various patient demographics.

Procedure

1. Go to [PATIENT](#) > **SEARCH**.

   Note: If the tab bar is hidden, select the arrow 🔵 next to Patient to display it.

2. In the **Starts With** dropdown list, select a target for your search criteria.

   This target applies to all boxes in the search bar.

3. In the **All** dropdown list, type or select a search filter (these are typically facilities).

4. In the search bar, in one or more of the boxes, type one or more characters.
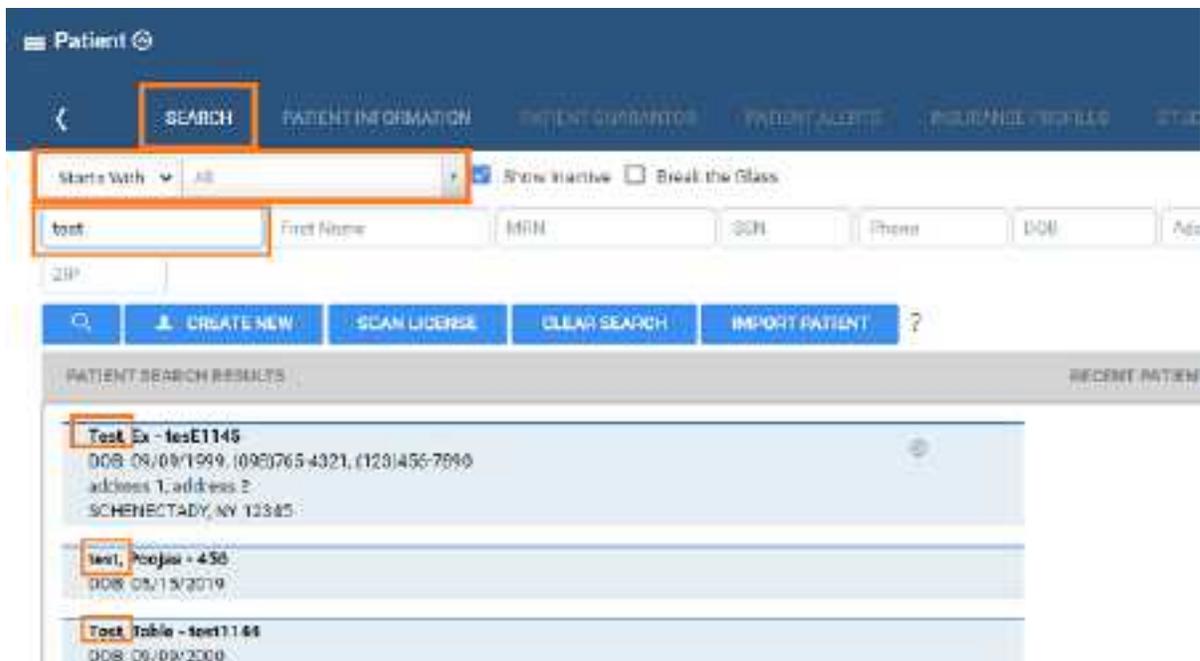
5. Double-click a patient row, such as **Test, Table** in the figure above.

   Result: The patient chart opens to the Patient Information tab.

6. To view more fields, click **[more]**.

7. To view more pages, next to the **Patient** page title, select , and then select a tab (such as PATIENT GUARANTOR, or INSURANCE PROFILES)

See also:

Create a patient chart
Find a patient chart by scanning a driver's license
Edit basic patient information
Edit other patient information

Find a patient chart by scanning a driver's license

You can find an existing patient chart by scanning a driver's license.

Procedure

1. Go to PATIENT > **SEARCH**.

   Note: If the tab bar is hidden, select the arrow next to Patient to display it.

2. Select **SCAN LICENSE**.

3. Use your barcode reader to scan the driver's license.

   The results appear in the **PATIENT SEARCH RESULTS** list.

Access confidential patient records (break the glass)

In emergencies you can use the Break the Glass function to open patient records that are usually off limits. All Break the Glass operations are added to the audit trail report. Users of type Associated Patients Only can also "break the glass" from the New Appointment screen. To "break the glass" on the physician's portal, or in the patient chart search screen:

On Physician Portal

Prerequisite: Configure access reasons (see App settings).

1. On the **My Exams** worklist, select the **Break the Glass** checkbox.

2. In the **Break the Glass Warning** dialog, use the search tools to find a patient, and then double-click the patient record.

3. In the second **Break the Glass Warning** dialog, in the **Access Reason** list, select a justification for accessing the confidential record.

4. In the **Verify Your Credential** boxes, type your portal sign-in credentials, and then select **ACCEPT**.

   Result: Studies for the selected patient appear in the My Exams screen.

On the Patient screen

1. Go to PATIENT > **SEARCH**, and select the **Break the Glass** checkbox.

2. Find a patient chart in the usual manner.

About VIPs

VIPs (very important patients) are patients who the facility wants to identify for special consideration by healthcare staff. A gray star appears next to patient names on the worklist, the patient chart, and other areas of the program. With the appropriate user rights, a user can select the VIP star to change it to a solid ⭐ star and thereby designate the patient as a VIP.

Create and modify a patient chart

Create a patient chart

You can import a patient chart, or create one by following the steps below.

Procedure

1. Go to PATIENT > **SEARCH** > **CREATE NEW**.

   Note: If the tab bar is hidden, select the arrow ⊙ next to Patient to display it.
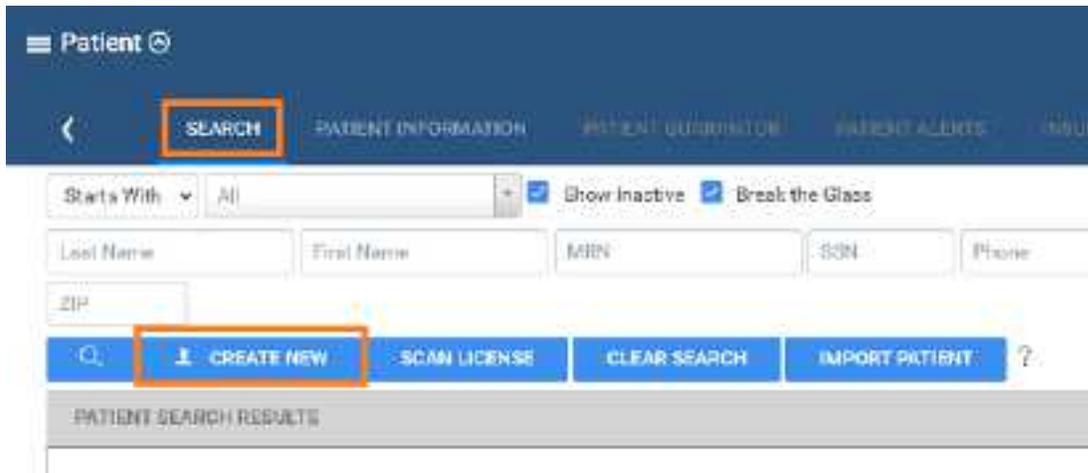
2. Enter information in the **PATIENT INFORMATION** tab as described Edit basic patient information.

3. Select **CREATE PATIENT**.

4. Enter information in other tabs by referring to Edit other patient information.

Import a patient chart

You can import a patient record (.CSV) into Exa PACS/RIS. If the patient already exists in Exa PACS/RIS, you can update the existing record with the imported information, or create a new record.

Note: To view which options must be present for the update to be successful, select the help ? button on the right side of the PATIENT IMPORT button.

Procedure

1. Go to PATIENT > **SEARCH** > **IMPORT PATIENT**.

   Note: If the tab bar is hidden, select the arrow ⊙ next to Patient to display it.
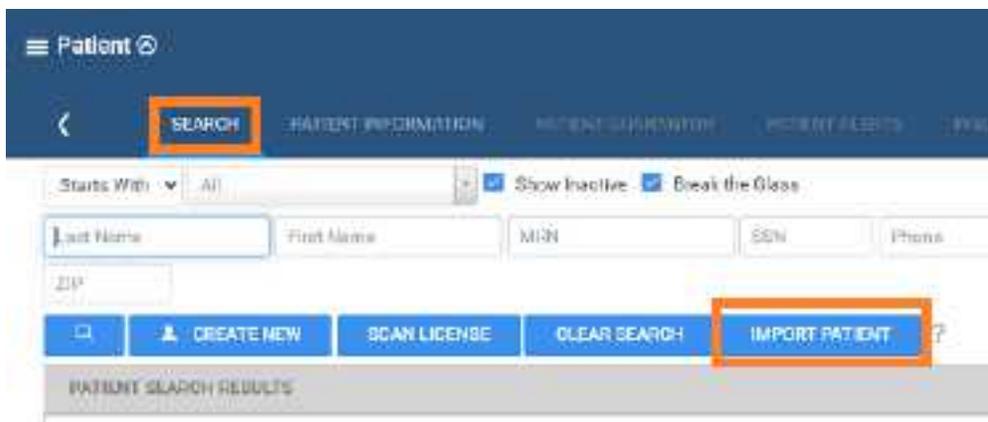
2. In the **Import Patient** dialog, select **Choose File**, and then browse for and select the file containing the patient record.
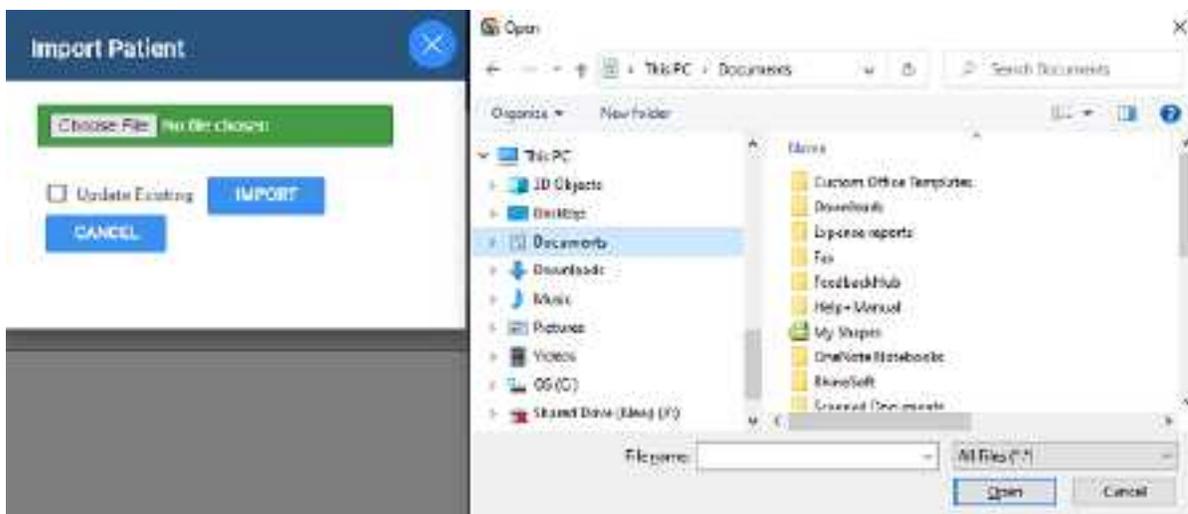
3. Optional. To update an existing patient record, select the **Update Existing** checkbox.

4. Select **IMPORT**.

Edit basic patient information

You can edit or add new information to a patient chart. You can access the same settings from an order tab in the Edit Study screen.

Procedure

1. Go to PATIENT > **SEARCH**.

2. Find and open a patient chart (see Find a patient chart by entering search criteria).

3. On the **PATIENT INFORMATION** tab, type or select information for the following options.

Setting	Description
Market	Select the markets that serve the patient.
Facilities	Select facilities that serve the patient.
DICOM Patient ID	Type the PID or patient MRN.
Account No./Alt.	Type the patient's account or alternate account number. See About the PID, MRN, and account numbers
Name	Type the patient's first, and last name. Optional: Type the middle name, middle initials, and/or suffix.
★ / ⭐	Grey = Non-VIP. Click to change to Yellow (VIP).
Alias	Type first and last aliases.
DOB	Select the patient's date of birth.
Marital Status	Select the patient's marital status.
Smoking Status	Select the patient's smoking status.
Racial/Ethnic	Checkboxes: Select all that apply. Dropdown list: Select the Hispanic or Latino ethnicity or non-ethnicity.
Physician	Select the patient's primary physician.
Ordering Facility	Available when using Mobile RAD. Select the ordering facility location or contact that serves the patient.
Sex	Select the sex of the patient.
Height/Weight	Type the patient's height and weight.
Patient Flag	Select a patient flag.
Language	Select the patient's preferred language.
HIE Consent	Select whether the patient has consented to release of demographics and medical data through a Health Information Exchange for treatment, payment, and health care operations purposes.
Select [more] next to words Patient Information to view the following settings	
License No./Province	Type the patient's driver's license number, and select the issuing state.
Exp. Date	Select the expiration date of the driver's license.
Emp. Status	Select the patient's employment status.
Employer Name	Type the name of the patient's employer.
Emp. Address	Type the street address of the patient's employer.
City/Province/Postal	Type or select the city, state or province, and ZIP or postal code of the patient's employer.

Setting	Description
Phone/Fax	Type the phone and/or fax number of the patient's employer.
Reason for Death	If the patient is deceased, select the checkbox and then select the reason for death in the dropdown list.
Notes	Type any notes you wish to include in the chart.
Users Assigned	Dynamically search for and select a user to assign to the patient, and then click the add button. Optional: Repeat to assign more users.
Home Address	Enter the patient's primary contact information. SMS / Email Consent: Select whether the patient consents to be contacted by SMS text and/or email.
Contact Information	Enter the patient's secondary contact information.

4. Select **SAVE**.

See also:

Edit other patient information

Create a patient chart

Edit other patient information

In addition to basic patient information, you can enter a wide range of other patient-related information in the patient chart. Most of this information is mirrored in the Edit Study screen, giving you access to it through multiple workflows. To enter or edit this other information from a patient chart:

Procedure

1. Go to **PATIENT** > **SEARCH**.

2. Find and open a patient chart (see Find a patient chart by entering search criteria).

   Note: If the tab bar is hidden, select the arrow next to Patient to display it.

3. Select a tab in the following table, and then enter settings.

   Refer to the descriptions and topics shown for details.

Patient Chart Tab	Topic
PATIENT GUARANTOR	Assign a guarantor for a patient
PATIENT ALERTS	Assign or remove patient alerts
INSURANCE PROFILES	Add or edit an insurance profile
STUDIES	Manage studies in the patient chart
ORDERS	Double-click an order in the list to open it in the Edit Study screen.

Patient Chart Tab	Topic
STUDY FORMS	Add a study form to a patient record
DOCUMENTS	View or add patient documents
PAYMENT HISTORY	View payment history and print receipts
ALLERGIES	Add allergy information
ACTIVITY LOG	View activity logs
NOTES	Enter notes and reasons for study Open the call log

See also:

Edit basic patient information

Create a patient chart

Find a patient chart by entering search criteria

About the PID, MRN, and account numbers

The patient ID (PID) is usually the same as the MRN or account number. When they differ, it often is because the PID comes from DICOM sources and the account number comes from RIS sources. This can happen when an incoming DICOM study with an existing PID conflicts with a receiver rule, and Exa RIS compensates by creating a unique account number. Also, staff often enter account numbers manually when creating preorders for new patients, because no PID would exist yet.

Alternate account numbers

Patients receive a different MRN, PID, or account number when they undergo exams at different facilities. When Exa PACS/RIS receives such external studies, you can merge them into the master patient record by linking the external MRNs, PIDs, or account numbers as *alternate account numbers* of the Exa PACS/RIS account number. The benefits of this are:

- The viewer opens images from all records at once

- Any subsequently incoming studies having one of the account numbers are automatically linked to the other account numbers

- Helps prevent duplicate patient records

- Reduces the need to merge patient records

See also:

Configure alternate account number functionality

Use alternate account numbers

Configure alternate account number functionality

To be able to use alternate account numbers, perform the following procedures.

Configure an issuer of a PID

The *issuer of a PID* is an alias for the facility that issued the incoming PID (or MRN, or account number). You must configure an issuer of a PID in advance for each facility whose PIDs you want to use as alternate account numbers.

Some issuers require a standardized formatting for account numbers. You can prevent users from entering invalid account numbers by typing a regular expression against which the account number must match. Exa PACS/RIS will validate all future account number entries against your regular expression.

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **DICOM** > **ISSUERS**.
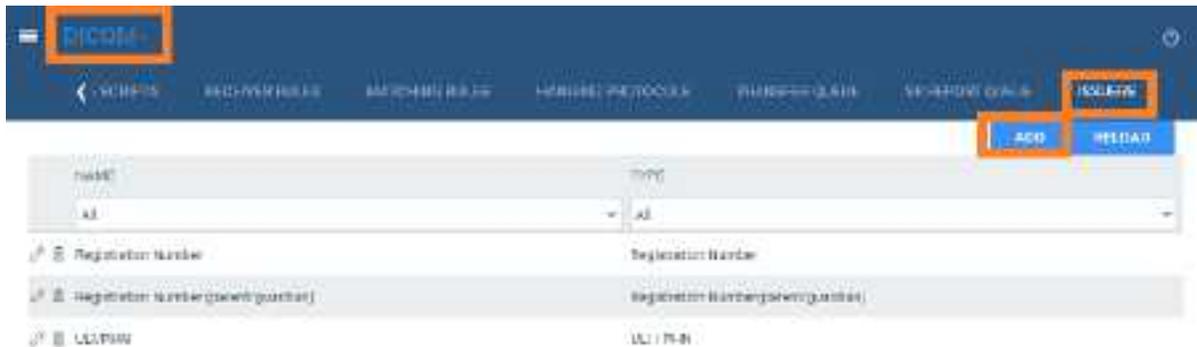
2. On the > **ISSUERS** select **ADD.**

3. Type a **Name** for the issuing entity, and select a **Type**.

4. Optional. In the **Pattern** box, type a regular expression. Exa PACS/RIS will prevent users from adding PID/account numbers that fail to match the expression.

> For example, if you type the pattern: AB?
>
> PIDs and account numbers must start with **AB** and be followed by **one character**, such as **AB1**, **ABC**, and **ABz**.

5. Select **SAVE**.

Configure an AE for use with alternate account numbers

For each application entity that receives studies whose MRNs, PIDs, or account numbers you want to use as alternate account numbers:

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **DICOM** > **AE TITLE.**

2. Double-click an AE in the list to open it.
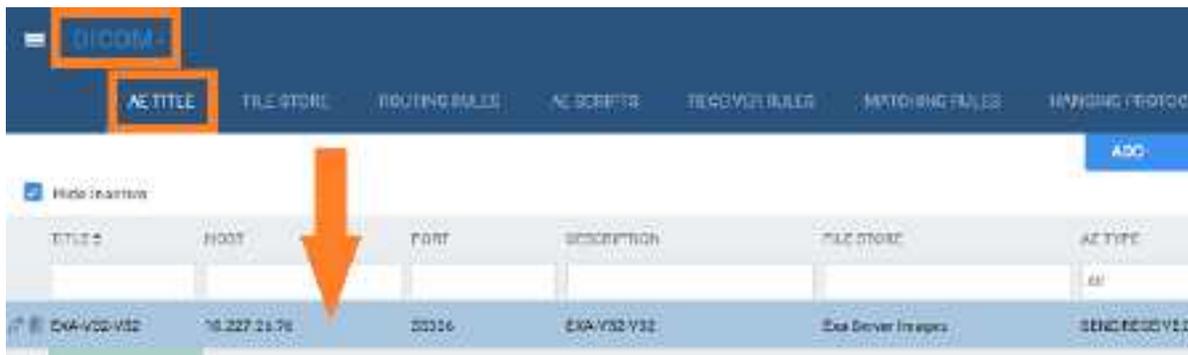
3. Under **Issuer Type**, select **Static** or **Dynamic**. If you select **Static**, in the **Issuer** dropdown list, select the issuer.
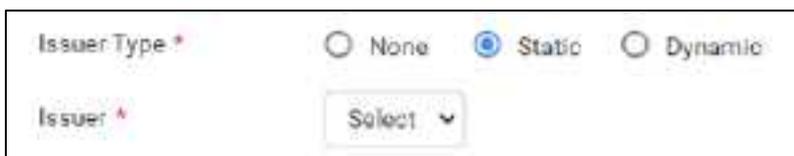
4. Select **SAVE.**

Configure a receiver rule for use with alternate account numbers

For each relevant receiver rule:

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **DICOM > RECEIVER RULES**.

2. Double-click a receiver rule in the list to open it.

3. Under **Rule Information and Filter**, select the **Issuer of Alternate Account Number** checkbox.

4. Select **SAVE**.

See also:

[About the PID, MRN, and account numbers](#)
[Use alternate account numbers](#)

Use alternate account numbers

To use alternate account numbers to link multiple patient records, complete the following steps.

Prerequisite: [Configure alternate account number functionality](#).

Procedure

1. Open the patient chart (see [Find a patient chart by entering search criteria)](#).

2. On the **PATIENT INFORMATION** tab, select **MANAGE ALTERNATE ACCOUNT NUM/IDENTIFIERS**.

3. In the **Alternate Account Num/Identifiers** dialog, select **ADD**.

4. In the **Issuer Name and Type** dropdown list, select an option, and then type the alternate account number or identifier.

5. If using multiple alternate account numbers, select the **Primary** checkbox if you want the current number to be the primary one.

6. Select **SAVE**.

   You can repeat this procedure to add multiple alternate account numbers.

See also:

About the PID, MRN, and account numbers

Configure alternate account number functionality

Manage studies in the patient chart

From the STUDIES tab of the patient chart you can create, schedule, and view payment status of prior or future studies of the patient.

Procedure

1. Go to PATIENT > **SEARCH**.

2. Find and open a patient chart (see Find a patient chart by entering search criteria).

    Note: If the tab bar is hidden, select the arrow ⊙ next to Patient to display it.
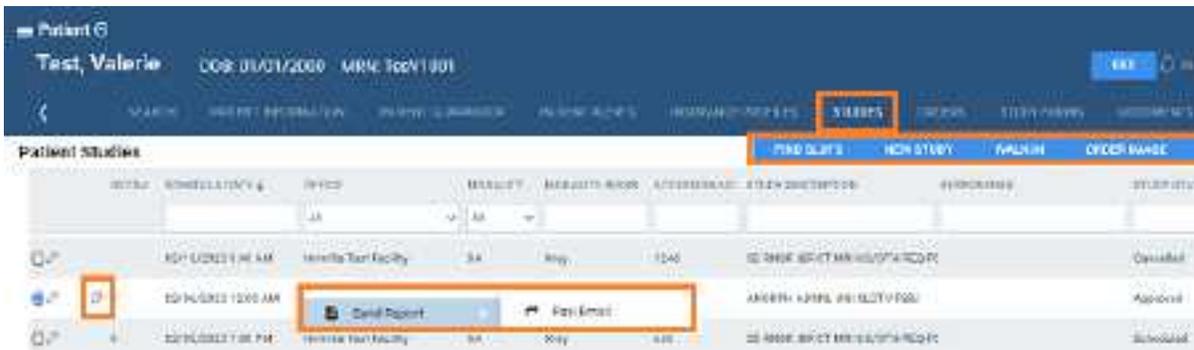
Main screen

Payment status summary at bottom of screen

3. On the **STUDIES** tab, perform one or more of the following tasks.

Task	Topic
Find, view, and edit a study	Search for a study in the list. Double-click a study to open it in the Edit Study screen.
View approved reports	Select the ▢ approved report button of a study.
View payment status	An aggregate summary of study payments appears at the bottom of the screen.
Fax/Email approved reports	Right-click an approved study, point to **Send Report** and select **Fax/Email**. See also Send reports from the patient chart.
View the claim inquiry screen	Right-click a study that has claim history, and then select **Claim Inquiry**.
Schedule an ordered study	Select an unscheduled study, and then select **Schedule Appointment** to open the study in the Find Slots screen (see Use the Find Slots feature).

Task	Topic
Create a study for the patient	Select one of the following:
	NEW STUDY: See Enter appointment information
	WALK-IN: See Schedule a walk-in appointment
Order images	1. Select a study whose images you want to order in the list, and then select **ORDER IMAGE**.
	2. Select the patient and/or physicians to whom to send the images.
	3. Type sending methods and notes, and then select **PLACE ALL ORDERS**.

Assign a guarantor for a patient

If the patient requires a guarantor for legal or insurance purposes, you can add one to the patient's chart.

Procedure

1. Find an open the patient's chart.

2. On the **PATIENT GUARANTOR** tab, select **ADD**.

3. Enter the information for the guarantor, and then select **SAVE**.

Send reports from the patient chart

You can send approved reports by email or fax directly from the patient chart.

Procedure

1. Open a patient chart, and then select the **STUDIES** tab.
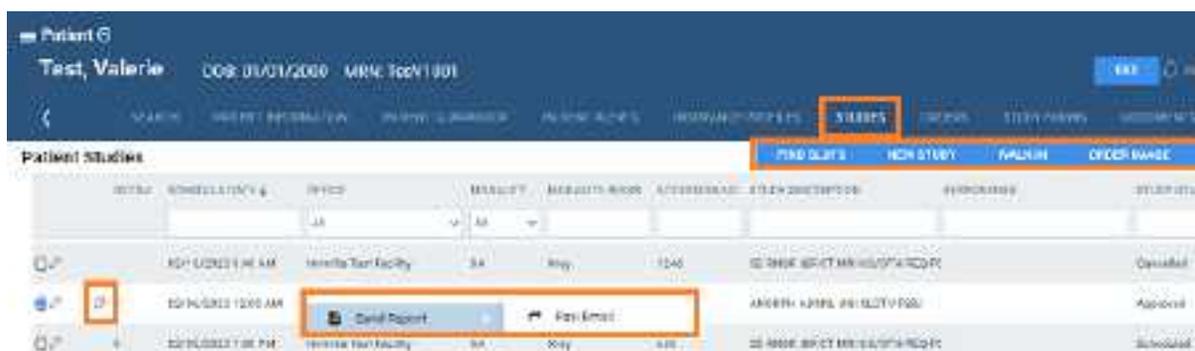
2. In the list of studies, right-click a study containing an approved report, select **Send Report**, and then select **Fax/Email**.

3. In the **Send Report** dialog, in the **Send Fax** and/or **Send Email** sections:

   a. In the **Send To** dropdown list, select a category of recipient.

   b. In the dropdown list on the right, select an individual recipient.

4. Select **SEND FAX** and/or **SEND EMAIL**.

Merge patient charts

If two patient charts are accidentally created for a single patient, you can merge the charts.

1. Go to [PATIENT](#) > **SEARCH.**

2. In the **MRN** box, enter the account number of the records to merge.

3. In the list of results, select the row containing the *incorrect* patient chart, hover and select the settings ⚙ button, and then select **Merge**.

4. Repeat the previous two steps for the row containing the *correct* patient chart.

5. In the **Patient Merge** screen, confirm the contents of the merge and then select **MERGE**.

Merge a "FIX_" study

If the DOB, gender, first name, and last name of a new patient chart are the same as an existing one, Exa PACS/RIS prepends "FIX_" to the account number in the worklist. You can fix these by merging them with the existing chart. This can occur in such cases as a name change due to marriage or divorce, an updated account number, or an error in patient entry.

1. On the search bar of the worklist, in the **ACCOUNT NO**. box, type FIX and then select **Enter**.
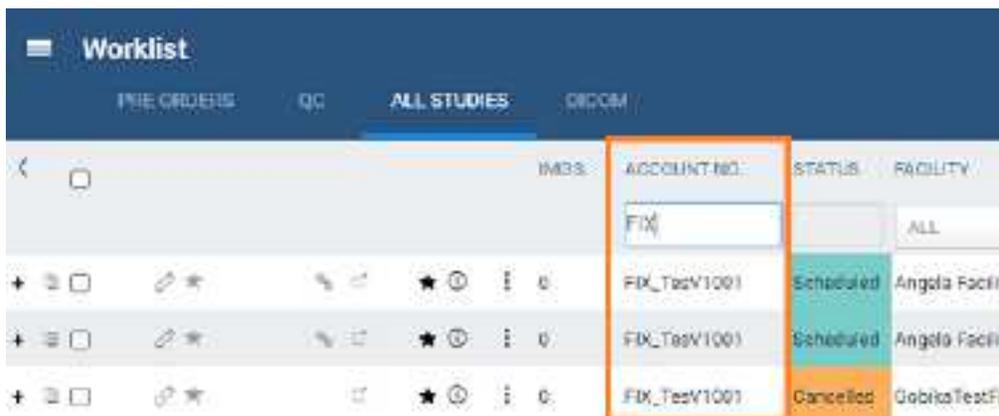
2. In the list of results, copy the account number (without the "FIX_" prefix) of a study.

3. Paste the account number in the **ACCOUNT NO.** box, and then select **Enter**.

4. In the list of results, compare the "FIX_" record with the other to determine whether they are for the same patient.

5. If the same, merge the records by following the earlier procedure.

Work in the dispatching dashboard

The dispatching dashboard is separate from the *dashboard*, which provides an overview of current orders. The *dispatching dashboard* provides a view of the worklist for entering and tracking orders for mobile radiology. Technologists who execute those mobile orders use the *Mobile RAD* app from their mobile devices. Before using the dispatching dashboard, you must configure the following study statuses and add them to a study flow (see

Configure study statuses).

Status	Code
Assigned	AS
Accepted	ASAC
Rejected	RJ

To customize any other statuses you may need, contact your Konica Minolta sales representative.

See also:

What is the Dashboard?

View, create, and assign orders

View the worklist from the dispatching dashboard

Procedure

1. Go to DISPATCHING DASHBOARD > **ALL**.
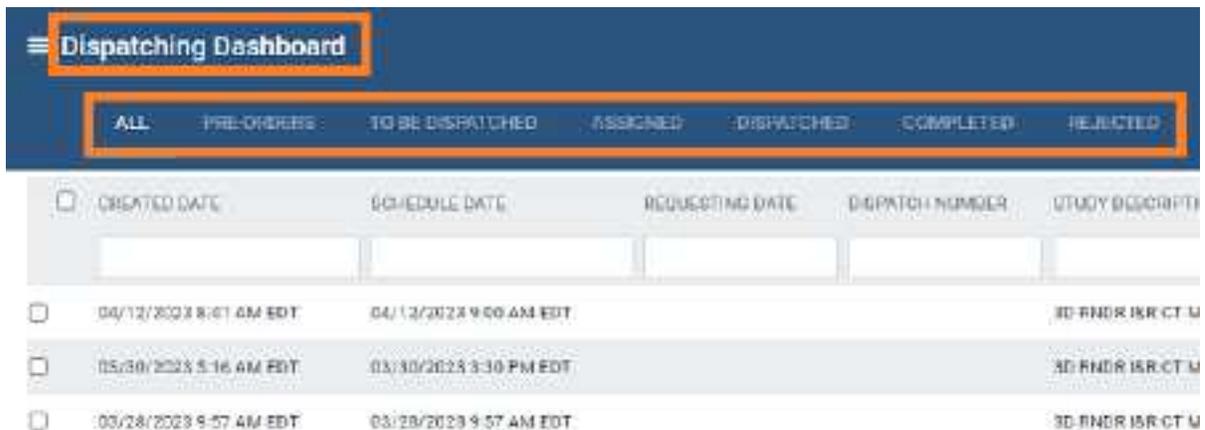
2. To view all preorders, select the **PRE-ORDERS** tab.

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3. To view all orders with any order-related status that are not assigned to technicians or vehicles, select the **TO BE DISPATCHED** tab.

Create a new order for dispatch

The Pre-Orders tab in the dispatching dashboard shows all studies in the Ordered status. You can dispatch these orders (see Assign an order), or create a new order by following this procedure.

Procedure

1. Go to DISPATCHING DASHBOARD > **TO BE DISPATCHED**.

2. In the upper right corner, select a facility, and then select the **New Order** ⚙ button.

3. In the **New Appointment** screen, find a patient and schedule a study as you normally would, but note the following on the **APPT. INFO.** tab under **Schedule Information.**

- In the **Ordering Facility** dropdown list, select only if that facility—rather than the place of service—acquires the exam.

- You must select options in the **Place of Service** dropdown list.

- Optional. Under **Schedule Information**, type an entry in the **Justification of Mobile Service** box to appear in the mobile app.

4. Select **CREATE ORDER**.

Assign an order

All studies that do not have a technologist or vehicle assigned in an Ordered, Scheduled, Confirmed, or other related status appear in the To Be Dispatched tab. To initiate these orders, assign them as follows.

Procedure

1. Go to DISPATCHING DASHBOARD > **TO BE DISPATCHED**.

2. Right-click an order, hover over **Dispatch**, and then select **Create New Dispatch**.
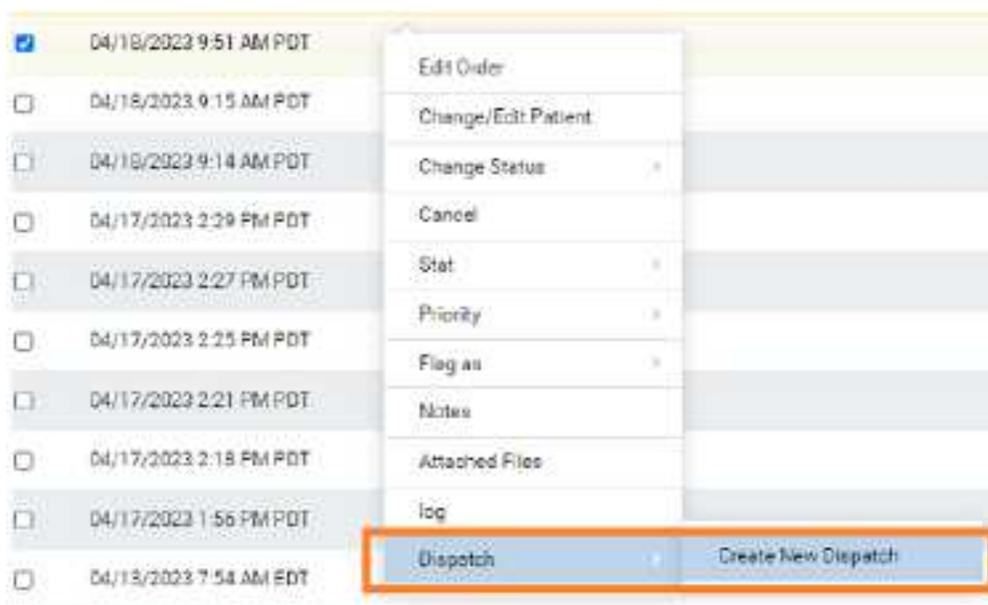
3. In the **Dispatch** screen, enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
[Dispatch resource dropdown list]	Select **Technologist** to assign the order to a technologist. Select **Vehicle** to assign the order to a vehicle.
Date/Time	Select a date and time to dispatch the resource.
Dispatch To	Type to search for a resource of the type selected previously, and then select a specific resource in the list of results.
Dispatch Orders	Select all orders to which you want to dispatch the selected resource.

4. At the bottom of the screen, select **DISPATCH**.

   Note: A dispatch number is automatically created, which you can view in the worklist.

What happens after assignment?

After assigning an order, the order moves through the following steps.

- It appears in the **ASSIGNED** tab of the dispatching dashboard, and in the mobile app.

- The technologist accepts the assignment on the mobile app, and then the order moves to the **DISPATCHED** tab on the dispatching dashboard in Exa PACS/RIS.

- The technologist taps **Tech Start** on the mobile app, performs the exam, and then taps **Tech End**. The order moves to the **COMPLETED** tab in the dispatching dashboard.

- On the Exa PACS/RIS worklist, the order appears with images on the **ALL STUDIES** tab in the **Tech Start**, **Incomplete**, **Unread**, or other related status.

Group orders by dispatch ID

When dispatch of one or more orders and exams is completed, the Exa PACS/RIS assigns the same dispatch ID to all of those orders and exams. By grouping orders and exams by dispatch ID, you can apply and evenly divide transportation fees, setup fees, and "after hours" pricing to them. These orders

and exams remain open until they are set to Check Out/Complete, during which time they can be modified (by adding, editing, or removing exams or other services).

Procedure

1. If an open dispatch ID exists, right-click an order, and in the **Dispatch** submenu, select **Add to Open Dispatch**.

2. Select the open dispatch ID to add to the new dispatch group.

Work with Mobile RAD

Mobile RAD is a mobile Android app that technologists use to manage their mobile exams.

Install Mobile RAD

All technologists and other users of Mobile RAD must follow the steps in the following sub-topics to install the Mobile RAD app on their Android mobile device. If you do not have access to the SETUP area of Exa PACS/RIS, request assistance from an administrator.

Configure Exa PACS/RIS

1. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Scheduling & Codes** > **STUDY STATUS**.

2. In the **Facility** dropdown list, select your facility.
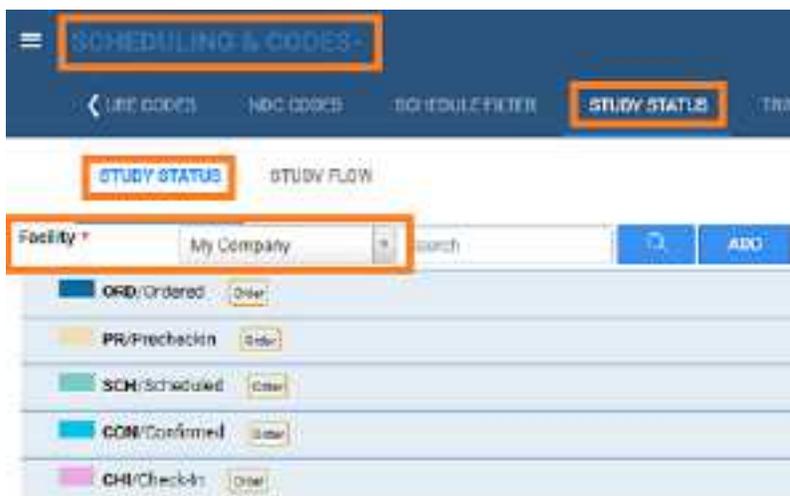
3. For each status in the list related to mobile orders:

   a. Double-click the status to open its settings.

   b. Select the **MobileRad Related** checkbox.

c. Select **SAVE**.

Install a PDF viewer

1. On your mobile device, go to the **Google Play Store**.

2. Install a PDF viewer, such as Adobe Acrobat, WPS Office-PDF, or Microsoft Office.

Install the APK

1. Go to TOOLS > **MOBILE RAD**.

   Result: The browser downloads the mobilerad.apk file.

2. Copy **mobilerad.apk** to your mobile device (such as through email, chat, or File Explorer).

1. On your mobile device, in the **Blocked by Play Protect** message, select **INSTALL ANYWAY**.

Configure Mobile RAD

1. Tap and hold the **Mobile RAD** icon, and then select **App info** > **Permissions**.

2. On the **App permissions** screen, on the options ⋮ menu, select **All Permissions**.

3. In the **Storage** folder of your mobile device, confirm that the **MobileRAD** sub-folder appears. If it does not, create the sub-folder.

Sign-In to Mobile RAD

1. From your site administrator, obtain the host name for Mobile RAD.

2. Go to SETUP > OFFICE > **Office** > **COMPANY**.

3. Write down the value in the **Code** box.

4. Tap the **Mobile RAD** icon, and on the sign-in screen, select **HOST NAME ?.**

5. In the **HostName** field, enter the host name, and then select **YES**.

6. On the sign-in screen, enter the following:

Setting	Value
Username	Your user name for Exa PACS/RIS.
Password	Your password for Exa PACS/RIS.
Company Code	The code you wrote down earlier.

7. Select **LOGIN**.

Perform query and retrieve

You can query a server and retrieve studies.

Prerequisite: Configure DICOM settings for the server to query and for Exa PACS/RIS on the server.

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, select **QUERY/RETRIEVE**.

2. In the dropdown list on the left side of the QUERY button, select a server to query.

3. Type criteria in the search bar and select **QUERY**.

   Notes:

   - Use the **Study Exists** list to filter studies that are already in the Exa platform database.
   - You can use the asterisk (*) and question mark (?) **wildcard characters** in the account number, accession number, referring physician, and study description fields.

4. Optional. To retrieve all matching studies, select **RETRIEVE**. To retrieve some matching studies, select the studies, right-click, and then select **Retrieve**.

Work with the fax manager: Updox

If you purchased Updox fax or reminder services, the fax manager function sends you to the My Updox website where you can manage sending and receiving of faxes and reminders. Updox is a powerful tool because it helps you sync faxed information with patient records in Exa PACS/RIS. This chapter gets you started using Updox by describing some of the main configuration and operational tasks you can perform.

For full documentation, select the help ？ button in the upper-right corner of Updox.

Configure Updox

Users with administrator rights can configure Updox, including users and groups, queues, fax numbers, and reminders.

Configure users

Configuring users in Updox allows you assign Updox email addresses (for example, for individual users or for an entire practice), add staff to queues, assign sign-in credentials, and send notifications to individuals.

Procedure

1. On the burger 🍔 menu, select **FAX MANAGER**.

2. In **Updox**, in the upper-left corner of the screen, select **MENU**.

3. On the **Admin** tab, select **Users**, and then select **New**.

4. On the **User Information, Settings, and Notifications** tabs, enter all relevant information.

5. Select **Save**.

Configure queues

Queues are useful for organizing and routing your faxes and emails to the intended location and person. For example, you could create one queue for each department at a facility. Updox notifies specific users of the queue that they have a fax waiting. In that sense, a queue can act as a task list.

Prerequisites: Configure users.

Procedure

1. On the burger 🍔 menu, select **FAX MANAGER**.

2. In **Updox**, in the upper-left corner of the screen, select **MENU**.

3. On the **Admin** tab, select **Queues**, and then select **New**.

4. Type a name for the queue, select users who can access it, and then select **Save**.

Configure fax numbers

Konica Minolta provides you with a fax number that you can use for Updox, but your Konica Minolta sales engineer can also work with the phone company to add your existing fax numbers to Updox.

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, select **FAX MANAGER**.

2. In Updox, in the upper-left corner of the screen, select **MENU**.

3. On the **Admin** tab, select **Fax Settings**.

   A list appears of all fax numbers configured for Updox.

4. Select a fax number to configure, and then enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Nickname	Type an easily recognizable nickname for the fax number.
Route To	Select the queue to which Updox routes inbound faxes.
Tag	Tags are customizable labels that you can add to incoming faxes. For example, if you assign a tag labeled Authorizations to a specific fax number, Updox automatically adds the tag to all incoming faxes on that number.

5. Select **Save**.

Configure reminders

A reminder is an email, text, or voice message that Updox sends automatically to patients to remind them of their scheduled appointments. Updox records the patient response to a reminder, and automatically cancels appointments in Exa PACS/RIS if appropriate. To edit the contents of reminders, see Configure scripts.

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, select **FAX MANAGER**.

2. In Updox, in the upper-left corner of the screen, select **MENU**.

3. On the **Admin** tab, select **Reminders**.

4. On the **Rules** tab, enter the following settings.

Setting	Description
Practice Timezone	The time zone of the practice performing the exam.

Setting	Description
1st Reminder	Select the type of reminder, and how long before the appointment to send the reminder.
2nd Reminder 3rd Reminder	Select the checkboxes to add a second and or third reminder.
Send reminders after confirmation is received	Select to continue to send reminders even if the patient confirms the appointment.
Blackout weekends	Select to not send reminders on Saturdays and Sundays during the times you specify in the start and end time boxes.
Allow patients to cancel an appointment from the reminder	When selected, the reminder includes a button, link, or other means to cancel the appointment.
Allow patients to call the office from the reminder	When selected, the reminder includes a button, link, or other means of calling the practice.
Filter out multiple reminders for patients within specified time frame	Select to only send a reminder for the first appointment during the time frame you select, and only once during the time frame you select. Cuts down on redundant reminders that can annoy patients.
Human Voice	Select the type of voice for voice reminders.

5. Select **Save**.

Configure scripts

When configuring a text script, the variable names in the Text Script dialog bx are misleading, so note the following

Procedure

1. On the burger ☰ menu, select **FAX MANAGER**.

2. In Updox, in the upper-left corner of the screen, select **MENU**.

3. On the **Admin** tab, select **Reminders**.

4. On the **Scripts** tab, select **New**.

5. In the pop-up window, select the type of script you want to add.

6. Enter the script and other information. To use the script, select the **Active** checkbox.

   You can include variables in your script, as listed on the right. Note the following about variables:

   [location]   The facility in Exa PACS/RIS

   [with]   DO NOT USE

   [practice name]   The customer name in Exa PACS/RIS

7. Select **SAVE**.

Use Updox

View a fax or email

You can view the contents of your faxes, and any available fax-related metadata and historical activity.

Procedure

1. On the burger ☰ menu, select **FAX MANAGER**.

2. In **Updox**, on the left pane, select **Inbox**.

3. In the list, select the arrow > button corresponding to the fax or email that you want to view.

4. Optional. If the item is a failed outbound fax, you can select RESEND to retry the fax.

5. Select the icon representing the item to open and view it.

View an appointment reminder

Appointment reminders are pre-configured emails, text messages, or voice messages that Updox sends automatically to patients regarding their scheduled exams. If the patient cancels an appointment through an appointment reminder, the appointment is automatically cancelled in Exa PACS/RIS. To set up an appointment reminder, see Configure reminders. To view the contents, history, status, and patient response to an appointment reminder, do the following.

Procedure

1. On the burger ☰ menu, select **FAX MANAGER**.

2. In **Updox**, in the upper-left corner, select **MENU**.

3. On the **Home** tab, select **Reminders Dashboard**.

4. Optional. In the left pane, enter criteria to filter the reminders list.

5. In the main list, select an appointment to view details about the reminder.

Process an order

Often referring physicians fax or email exam order documents, and you can attach them to the Exa PACS/RIS patient chart.

Procedure

1. On the burger ☰ menu, select **FAX MANAGER**.

2. In **Updox**, on the left pane, select **Inbox**.

3. In the list, select the arrow (>) button corresponding to the order.

4. In the left pane, select **SEND ITEM**.

5. In the dialog, type the patient name to search for the patient, select the correct patient in the list of results, select the **Send to EHR** checkbox, and then select **OK**.

    Note: If the patient does not exist, you can leave Updox open, create the patient in Exa PACS/RIS, and then return to Updox and search for the newly created patient.

6. In the form that appears, fill in options as needed (such as the subject line), and then select the checkbox for one or more relevant studies.

    Note: The document is attached at the order level to the selected studies. If you do not select a study, the document is attached to the patient.

7. In the **Category** list, select the Exa PACS/RIS document type.

8. Select **SEND**.

    Result: The fax appears in the DOCUMENTS tab of the patient chart in Exa PACS/RIS.

Exchange secure text messages

With Updox, you can exchange secure text messages directly with a patient, and the thread is stored for future reference. Like faxes and emails, if the patient texts you a document, you can add it to the patient chart.

Procedure

1. In the **Inbox**, select **Text Message**.

2. In the **Send a Text Message** dialog, select **Secure** or **SMS**.

3. In the **Send To** list, search for and select a recipient (a patient who has a mobile phone number recorded in their chart).

4. Type a message, or select a template or macro.

5. Select the **Allow Responses** and/or **Attach a File** options as needed.

6. Optional. If the patient attached a document that you want to attach to the patient chart, select the checkbox for the document, select **SEND ITEM**, and then follow the same procedure for attaching a faxed document.

7. Select **Send Secure Text** or **Send SMS Text**.

Work with scheduling

A typical scheduling workflow

This section lists topics in the order that you would typically follow to schedule an exam. For other tasks, see Other scheduling tasks.

About the schedule book

The schedule book displays a chronological list of appointments during a selected 24-hour period in each modality room at a selected facility. You can open the schedule book from the burger ▤ menu by selecting **SCHEDULE**.
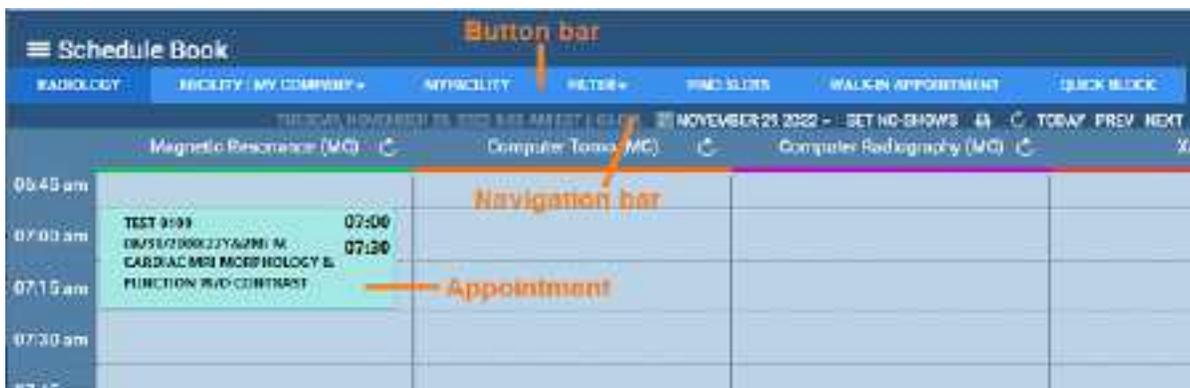
Find an available timeslot

You can begin scheduling by finding an available timeslot in the *schedule book*, which is a calendar-style view of appointments by time and modality.

Procedure

1. Go to burger ▤ > SCHEDULE to open the schedule book.

2. On the button bar, in the **FACILITY** button list, select the facility for the exam.

3. Optional. If you configured a schedule filter, you can select it from the **FILTER** button menu.
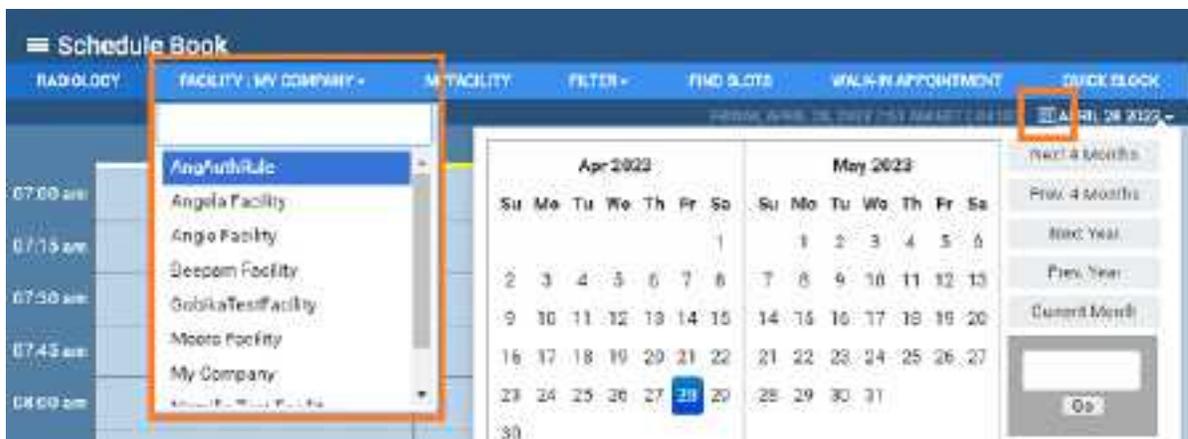
4. On the navigation bar, use the date picker to select a date.

5. Double-click an empty timeslot in the column corresponding to the exam's modality.

6. Continue to Set up a patient.

See also:

About the schedule book
Configure a schedule filter
Use the Find Slots feature

Set up a patient

To set up a patient, you can **find** an existing patient chart, **create** a new patient chart, or **import** an existing patient chart be following one of the procedures below.

Prerequisite: Start the scheduling workflow from Find an available timeslot.

Find an existing patient chart

1. On the **New Appointment** screen, on the **SEARCH** tab, find patients by entering demographics in the Last Name and other boxes.

   Optional: If the **Break the Glass** checkbox appears, you can select it to search for confidential patient records. See Access confidential patient records (break the glass).
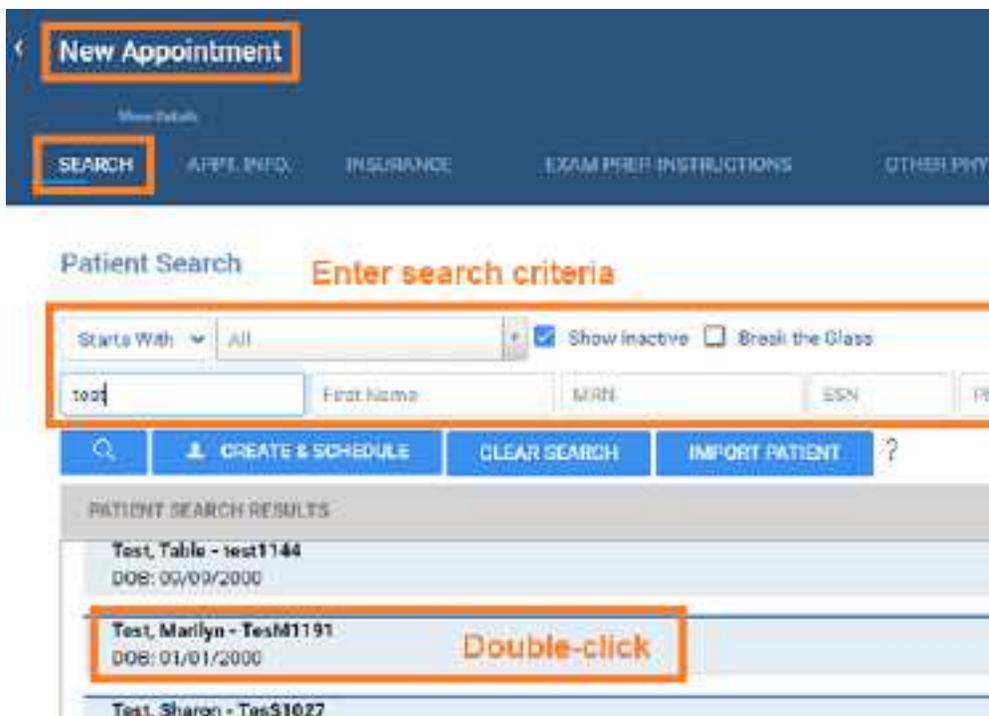
2. In the list of search results, double-click the patient for whom you want to schedule an exam.

3. If the **Recent Schedule** dialog appears, select **NEW SCHEDULE**.

4. Continue to <u>Enter appointment information</u>.

Create a new patient chart

1. On the **New Appointment** screen, on the **SEARCH** tab, select **CREATE & SCHEDULE**.

2. Under **Personal Information**, type the primary demographics (name, Patient ID, etc.) for the patient.

3. Continue to *Enter appointment information*.

Import a patient chart

1. On the **New Appointment** screen, on the **SEARCH** tab, select **IMPORT PATIENT**.

2. Select **Choose File**, and then browse for and select a patient file.

3. In the **Open** dialog, browse for and select the patient file, and then select **Open**.

4. Optional: To merge the patient file that you are importing with an existing patient chart in Exa PACS/RIS, select the **Update Existing** checkbox.

5. Select **IMPORT**.

6. Continue to *Enter appointment information*.

Enter appointment information

You can enter general information about the appointment and exam, and add preconfigured studies to perform.

Prerequisite: Start the scheduling workflow from Find an available timeslot.

Procedure

1. In the **New Appointment** screen, on the **APPT. INFO** tab, enter or modify the following settings.

Fields may vary depending on version, region, and other factors.

Setting	Description
Location	The facility where the exam will be performed.
Modality	The modality for the exam.

Setting	Description
Appointment Type	Type in the box to search dynamically for an appointment type, and then select one in the list. You can search by description or code number. See also About procedure codes, appointment types, and appointment type procedures.
Available Date	The timeslot you initially selected on the schedule book. To change the timeslot, select the calendar button.
Resource	The modality room you selected. Not available for editing in this screen.
Ordering Facility	Available with Mobile RAD only. Type in the box to search dynamically for the ordering facility, and then select one in the list. For more advanced searching, select the magnifying glass tool.
Referring Physician	Type in the box to search dynamically for the referring physician, and then select one in the list.
Ordering Physician	Type in the box to search dynamically for the ordering physician, and then select one in the list. For more advanced searching, select the magnifying glass tool.
Attorney	Select an attorney in the dropdown list, if applicable.
Stat Level	Select an urgency for the exam.
Code, Units, and Modifiers	When you select an appointment type, the corresponding code appears in the Code box, and any available default units and modifiers for the code appear. Edit the units and modifiers if needed.
[Settings in the right column of the page]	The Reading Physician and other settings in this column are optional. Exa PACS/RIS will assign the accession number and other fields automatically at another time during the scheduling workflow.
Select study detail options	(Available when studies are added in the Find Slots screen.) Select details to add to the appointment information that are not included by default. Select APPLY TO ALL STUDIES to add the selected information to all studies that you schedule.

2. Optional. Under **Diagnostic Codes**, type search criteria, select the search [Q] button, and then select diagnostic codes in the list.

3. Continue to Enter schedule information.

See also:

[About procedure codes, appointment types, and appointment type procedures](#)
[A typical scheduling workflow](#)

Enter schedule information

After entering appointment information, you can enter optional details about the appointment and the attending patient.

Prerequisite: Start the scheduling workflow from [Find an available timeslot](#).

Procedure

1. On the **APPT. INFO.** tab, move beyond Diagnostic Codes, and then under **Schedule Information**, enter the following information.

Setting	Description
Ordering Facility	Select the ordering facility, if applicable.
Place of Service	Select a place of service category.

Setting	Description
Source	Select the event that initiated the exam.
Patient Location	Select the intended destination (such as department) of the patient at the facility.
Patient Room No.	Type the room number for the patient's treatment.
Patient Condition	Select the current mobility status of the patient.
Supervising Physician	Type or select the supervising physician for the procedure.
Linked Technologist/Vehicle	Select the technologist or vehicle linked to the exam.
Requesting Date	Select the requested date for the exam.
Remind Me for Earlier Appointment	Select if the patient would like to be reminded of an appointment taking place early in the morning.
Transportation	Select the patient's mode of transportation to the facility for the exam.
Injury Date	Select the date of onset or injury.
Referral Number	Type the referral number, if available.
Patient's Condition Related To	Select whether the patient's condition is related to their employment, auto accidents, or other accidents.
Accident State	If you selected a condition previously, select the state or province where the condition occurred.
Schedule Notes	Select a macro note, or type a note in the box.
Justification of Mobile Service	If dispatching mobile services, type the justification.

2. Continue to Enter insurance information.

Enter insurance information

After entering appointment information, you can enter information about the insurance provider handling payment for the exam.

Prerequisite: Start the scheduling workflow from Find an available timeslot.

Procedure

1. In the **New Appointment** screen, select the **INSURANCE** tab, and then enter the following information about the patient's primary insurance policy, if available.

Setting	Description
Existing Insurance	If the patient record already includes insurance providers, they appear in the dropdown list. Select one, if available. Information for the provider you select appears in the other options.
Carrier	If no existing insurance providers are available, select a carrier here. Information for the carrier you select appears in other options, but you must enter the policy number manually.
Provider Type	The provider type of the selected carrier is entered automatically.
Group Name	Type the provider group name.
Relationship	Select the relationship of the subscriber to the patient. If available, the date of birth and address of the person you select appear in other options.
DOB	Select the subscriber's date of birth.
Sex	Select the subscriber's sex.
Country/Address	Type or select the country, city, state, and ZIP code of the subscriber.
Subscriber Name	Type the name of the subscriber.

Setting	Description
Service Type*	Available after selecting a carrier. Select the service types available through the insurer.
Benefit On Date*	Available after selecting a carrier. Select the date that benefits start.
Eligibility/Estimation	Available with Eligibility rights after selecting a carrier. Select to verify insurance eligibility and/or view estimates. See topics on ImagineSoftware and PokitDok for procedures.
Policy Number	Type the subscriber's insurance policy number.
Group No.	Optional. Type the subscriber's insurance group number.
Valid From/To Date	Select the dates during which the policy is valid.
[Address]	Type the street address of the subscriber.

*Available when *not* using ImagineSoftware

2. Optional. Select **ADD SECONDARY INSURANCE**, and enter information for the secondary insurance provider.

3. Continue to Enter other information and forms.

See also:

Verify eligibility of preorders and studies with PokitDok
Verify eligibility and estimate coverage with ImagineSoftware

Enter other information and forms

You can add other physicians to the appointment, view exam prep instructions, view provider alerts, add patient alerts, and attach study forms such as for consent, HIPAA, and CT screening. You can have the patient verify the accuracy of the information in the form at the time of the exam.

Prerequisite: Start the scheduling workflow from Find an available timeslot.

Procedure

1. In the **New Appointment** screen, select a tab and perform the corresponding task.

Tab on the New Appointment Screen	Task
EXAM PREP. INSTRUCTIONS	View prep instructions for the selected appointment type.

Tab on the New Appointment Screen	Task
OTHER PHYSICIAN	In the **Other Physician** dropdown list, select a physician, and then select the plus button to add the physician to the list. You can add multiple physicians. **Note**: When the exam report is completed, if Reports to me is configured (see, "Deliver reports"), Exa PACS/RIS automatically sends a copy of the report to the physicians selected here.
PROVIDER ALERTS	View alerts for the provider performing the exam.
PATIENT ALERTS	Select one or more checkboxes relevant to the patient undergoing the exam. **Note**: To add a new alert, at the bottom of the list of alerts, type a new alert and select the plus ➕ button.
STUDY FORMS	Select a form in the dropdown list. To fill out the form, select its edit ✏ button and select **SAVE**. To make the form available on the patient portal, select the **Patient Portal** checkbox.

2. Continue to Create an order.

Create an order

After entering all information related to the appointment you can finalize the scheduling workflow by creating an order. When you create an order, the appointment is added to the schedule book (except for walk-in appointments) and becomes available in RIS and the worklist.

Prerequisite: Start the scheduling workflow from Find an available timeslot.

Procedure

1. On the **New Appointment** screen, select the **APPT. INFO** tab, and then select **ADD STUDY**.

   Result: A study ("appointment card") appears based on the information entered.

2. At the top right corner of the screen, select **CREATE ORDER**.

   Result: The order is created and scheduled, and one of the following screens appears.

   - The schedule book, showing the scheduled appointment (by default)
   - The Edit Study screen (when Auto-Open New Order is selected)
   - The confirmation screen (when Auto-Open Appointment Confirmation is selected)
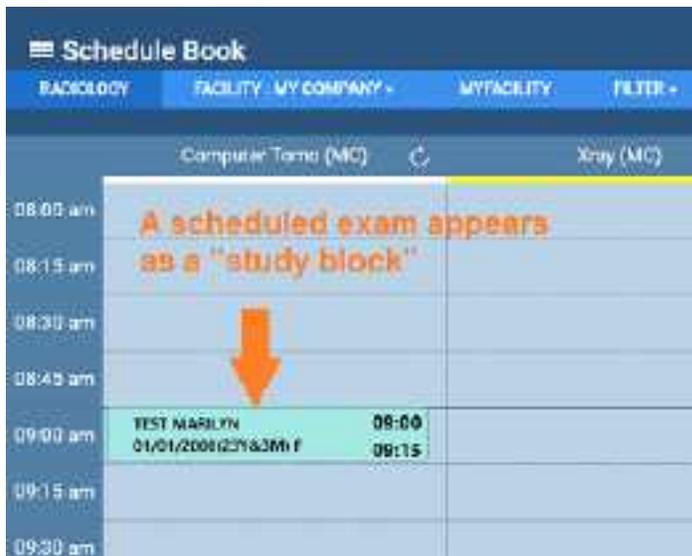
3. Optional. To view a quick summary of the exam in the schedule book, hover over the study block.

See also:

Other scheduling tasks
Edit order information
About fee schedules

Other scheduling tasks

This section describes scheduling tasks that were not covered in A typical scheduling workflow.

Track referrals

As part of your scheduling "to-do" list, you can view a list of referrals that are awaiting scheduling, and track their scheduling status. To enter referrals, see Refer a patient.

Procedure

1. Go to SCHEDULE > **PENDING REFERRALS**.

2. On the **Pending Referrals** screen, enter the date range and facility of the referrals that you want to view, and then select the search 🔍 button.

3. Double-click a referral in the list.

4. In the **Referral Status** dialog, select a status, type notes, and select **SAVE**.

Schedule a follow-up

If users specify follow-up exams, you can view a list of the specified exams and schedule them.

Procedure

1. Go to SCHEDULE > **PENDING FOLLOW-UPS**.

2. On the **Pending Follow-Ups** screen, enter filtering criteria and then select **Enter**.

3. Double-click an exam in the list, and complete scheduling tasks.

See also:

Specify a follow-up exam

Create a quick block

You can create a *quick block* to specify timeslots for non-exam events such as lunch breaks, or for dedicated use such as all-day training. *Soft quick blocks* are partial room reservations, and you can schedule exams over them. Soft quick blocks are semi-transparent on the schedule book. *Hard quick blocks* are full room reservations, and you cannot schedule exams over them. Hard quick blocks are opaque on the schedule book.

Procedure

1. On the burger ☰ menu, select **Schedule**.

2. On the button bar, select **QUICK BLOCK**.

3. On the calendar, drag within a column to place a block.

4. In the **SCHEDULE TEMPLATES** screen, create a schedule rule for the quick block.

See also:

Configure a schedule template and schedule rules
Edit or delete schedule blocks
About schedule blocks

Set no-shows

A *no-show* is a scheduled appointment that the patient did not attend. You can create a list of studies by type and date range, and then change the status of all studies in the list to "No-show."

Procedure

1. On the burger ☰ menu, select **SCHEDULE**.

2. Under or on the right side of the button bar (on the navigation bar), select **SET NO-SHOWS**.

3. In the filtering dialog, enter a date range, select one or more statuses, and then select **NO-SHOWS**.

4. In the **No-Shows for** screen, if necessary, refine the list by adjusting search criteria.

5. To change the status of all studies in the list to "No-show," select **SAVE.**

Print the schedule book

Procedure

1. On the burger ☰ menu, select **SCHEDULE**.

2. Under the button bar, on the navigation bar, select the print 🖨 button.

Edit an appointment from a schedule block

You can edit the information in an appointment directly from its schedule block on the schedule book.

Procedure

1. On the burger ☰ menu, select **SCHEDULE**.

2. Double-click a schedule block.

3. In the **Edit Order** or **Edit Study** screen, edit the appointment.

4. Select **SAVE.**

See also:

Edit order information

Edit study information

Reschedule an appointment

On the burger ▤ menu, select **SCHEDULE**, find a schedule block on the schedule book, and then choose one of the following methods to reschedule the appointment.

Same day: Drag the schedule block

To move the appointment to a later time within the same day and same modality room, you can drag its schedule block to a new timeslot.

Different day: Use the reschedule bucket

To move the appointment to a different day, you can use the *reschedule bucket* to "hold" your appointment while you switch the calendar.

1. Right-click a schedule block, and then in the shortcut menu, select **Reschedule**.

2. In the **Reschedule** dialog, select the reason for rescheduling, and select **SAVE**.

   The schedule block moves from the calendar to the reschedule bucket.
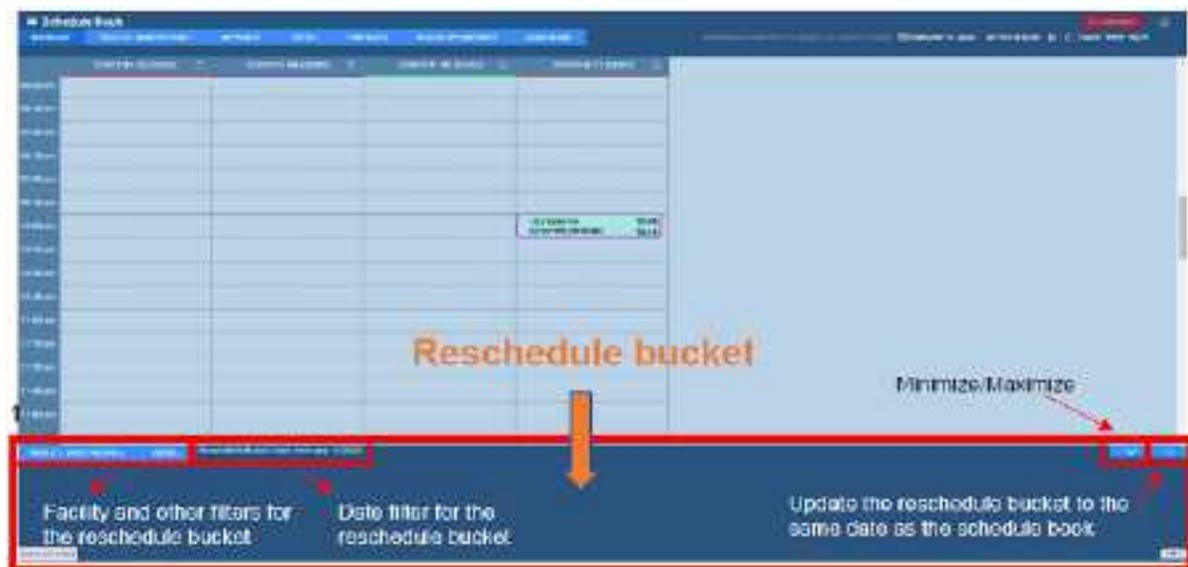
IMPORTANT:

• The facilities, filters, and dates of the schedule book are independent from those of the reschedule bucket. Changing the date in the schedule book does not change the date in the reschedule bucket.

- If a study is in the reschedule bucket and you change the reschedule bucket date, the study will "disappear" (be filtered out), but you can simply restore the original date to show the study again.

3. Find an available timeslot on the calendar.

4. Drag the schedule block from the reschedule bucket to the new timeslot.

5. In the confirmation dialog, select **YES**.

Copy authorization

When rescheduling an exam, if authorization is past due, a pop-up window appears prompting you whether to copy authorization to the rescheduled exam.

- To copy authorization, select **YES**.
  Result: The authorization expiration date changes to the rescheduled appointment date.
- To not copy authorization, select **NO**.
  Result: The authorization status changes to Reauthorization Needed.

Shorten or lengthen the schedule block

To change only the duration of the appointment, change the end time of the schedule block.

1. Select a schedule block.

2. Hover over the bottom edge of the block, and then drag the orange bar up or down to shorten or lengthen the appointment.

Make quick changes to appointments

You can make several quick changes to the status, priority, flagging, and other aspects of appointments without having to open and edit them.

Procedure

1. On the burger ☰ menu, select **Schedule**.

2. Right-click a schedule block and use the shortcut menu to do the following.

Setting	Description
Schedule Appointment	Select to change multiple properties of the appointment in the Find Slots screen. See Use the Find Slots feature.
Change Status	Hover over Change Status, and then select a new status. Modifies workflow elsewhere in the program.
Priority	Hover over Priority, and then select a new priority. Modifies workflow elsewhere in the program.
Flag As	Select to add flags in the submenu.
Stat	Select to assign a new urgency level.
Edit Study	Select to open the appointment in the Edit Study screen.
Exam Prep Instructions	Select to view exam prep instructions. If no instructions were entered, an "x" appears on the right side of the command in the shortcut menu.
Appointment Confirmation	Select to display the appointment confirmation screen. See About the appointment confirmation screen.
Cancel	Select to cancel the appointment. See Cancel an appointment.
Reschedule	Select to move the schedule block to the reschedule bucket. See Reschedule an appointment.
Attach Files	Select to open the Patient Documents screen. See View or add patient documents.
Log	Select to opens the audit log screen. See View and export audit log entries.

See also:

About drawing attention to orders and studies

Create a study flag

Cancel an appointment

You can cancel an appointment from the schedule book.

Prerequisite: The appointment must be in the Confirmed or subsequent status.

Procedure

1. On the burger ☰ menu, select **SCHEDULE**.

2. On the schedule book, right-click the appointment that you want to cancel, and then select **Cancel**.

3. In the **Order** dialog, in the **Cancel/Delete Reason** dropdown list, select a reason for the cancellation.

4. If you select "others" in the previous step, in the **Reason** box, type a reason.

5. Select **SAVE.**

Use the Find Slots feature

Find slots is an advanced feature for finding appointment times. It can be easier to find a timeslot first, and then schedule an appointment in it.

Procedure

1. On the burger [icon] menu, select **SCHEDULE**.

2. In the schedule book, on the menu bar, select **FIND SLOTS**.

3. In the **Available Slots** screen, in the **Patient ZIP Code** box, type the patient's ZIP or postal code.

   Note: If you arrived at this screen from the patient chart or burger menu, the program does not display this box.

4. **Distance from Patient** dropdown list, select a search radius.

5. In the **Appointment Type** dropdown list, select an appointment type.

6. Optional. To narrow results, enter additional criteria in the **Referring Physician**, **Carrier**, **Facility**, **Modality Room**, **Date**, **Start Time**, and **End Time** options.

7. Optional. If more time is needed for the exam than the standard duration, select the Additional Time [icon] button.

   Result: Available timeslots that meet the criteria appear in a list.

   Note the following:

   - The program suggests slots at facilities nearest to the patient based on ZIP/postal code.
   - To select all facilities or modalities, make no selection or select Select all.
   - Timeslots overlapping soft quick blocks are accompanied by a pink square.
   - Timeslots overlapping hard quick blocks are omitted from the list.

8. In the list of timeslots, select a slot.

9. Optional. To schedule another appointment, select **ADD APPOINTMENT**, and then repeat the steps.

10. Select **CREATE ORDER**.

11. Perform scheduling procedures.

Schedule appointments back to back

You can select to schedule multiple appointments back to back, which means that Exa PACS/RIS will display timeslots that are available for all of the appointments on the same day at the same facility.

Procedure

1. On the burger ☰ menu, select **SCHEDULE**.

2. In the schedule book, on the menu bar, select **FIND SLOTS**.

3. Select the **Distance from Patient** and **Patient ZIP Code** (or Postal Code).

4. Select the first **Appointment Type** in the dropdown list.

5. Select the second **Appointment Type**, and then in the **Group Schedule** dialog, select **BACK-TO-BACK**.

6. Optional: In the **Max Delay** dropdown list, select the maximum amount of wait time between appointments.

   Note: The **Same Day** option returns all available timeslots regardless of delay.

7. Enter additional scheduling criteria, select **SEARCH SLOTS**, and then select a slot.

8. Select **CREATE ORDER**.

9. Perform scheduling tasks, such as in A typical scheduling workflow.

If you need to change slots part way through...

If you need to change the timeslots you selected for your appointments before creating the order:

1. Select the first appointment card, and then select the [UNDO] button.

2. Select the next appointment card, and select a new timeslot.

3. Repeat for all appointment cards.

See also:

Use the Find Slots feature

Schedule a walk-in appointment

To immediately admit patients who do not have a previously scheduled exam, you can schedule a walk-in appointment. Walk-ins are considered exceptions and do not appear on the schedule book, but they do appear on the worklist so that staff can make accommodations.

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, select **SCHEDULE**.

2. In the schedule book, on the menu bar, select **WALK-IN APPOINTMENT**.

3. Perform scheduling tasks, such as in <u>A typical scheduling workflow</u>.

    Note that Exa PACS/RIS fills in the **Available Date** box with the current date and time.

Change the time block duration on the schedule book

A *time block* is the amount of time represented by each block on the schedule book. By default time blocks are 15 minutes, but you can change them.

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, select **SCHEDULE**.

2. On the schedule book, right-click anywhere in the left margin where the times of day appear.

3. Select a duration.

About the appointment confirmation screen

If configured (see the "Auto-Open Appointment Confirmation" setting in <u>Configure other user settings</u>), the appointment confirmation screen appears after creating an order. This screen provides a convenient summary of appointment-related information that you can share with patients. In the appointment confirmation screen you can:

- Under **Exam Details**, select an appointment card to jump to the Edit Study screen.

- In the **Send Emails To** box, type an email address and select the email ✉ button to send the confirmation.

- Select the print 🖨 button to print the information.

- Verify eligibility and estimate coverage.

Edit or delete schedule blocks

You can edit or delete schedule blocks directly on the schedule book.

Prerequisite: Sign in as a user with the Schedule Block user right.

Procedure

1. On the burger ☰ menu, select **SCHEDULE**.

2. On the schedule book, select a schedule block, and then select its edit ✎ button.

   Result: Depending on the type of block, one or more editing and/or deleting option appears.

3. Select an option, and if editing, make changes in the editing screen.

See also:

User rights
Create a user role
Edit Study screen

About auto-blocks

When you schedule an exam in a timeslot to which a schedule rule applies, and the schedule rule specifies a particular resource to perform the exam (for example, a technologist), Exa PACS/RIS does the following.

- Checks to see if the resource is also available to work in other modality rooms at the same time.

- If so, and if Autoblocking is selected in the schedule rule, Exa PACS/RIS automatically creates schedule blocks in the other timeslots to prevent future users from double-booking the resource.

These *auto-blocks* appear on the schedule book as "Auto-Block with Study ID," and the Allow Scheduling option is disabled. You can edit auto-blocks like any other schedule block.

Work with billing

Exa Billing is a module of the Exa platform that lets you manage all aspects of the billing workflow from claim submission and receiving payments to preparing detailed financial reports.

Viewing claims

About claim summaries and inquiries

The following describes the levels of detail at which you can edit and view claims.

Level	Description
Claims screen	The top-level list of claims. Find and view studies or claims
Claim detail	Double-click a claim in the Claims screen to view its contents.
Claim summary	A pop-up window on the Claims screen showing the claim's primary contents. View a claim summary
Patient claim summary	A patient-by-patient claim workspace with a billing provider focus. View a patient claim summary
Claim inquiry	A detailed patient-by-patient claim workspace with the ability to print statements and invoices, view claim forms, and add transaction comments and alerts. View a claim inquiry

Find and view studies or claims

You can search for a study or claim and open it to view details.

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, select **BILLING**.

2. On the top navigation bar, select **Studies** or **Claims**.

3. Optional: Select a filter tab. The default filter is **ALL CLAIMS**.

4. To find a study or claim, in the search bar, do one or both of the following:

    - Type or select one or more criteria and select **Enter**.
    - Select a column header to sort the list.
    Note: For tips on searching, see Search syntax.

5. Double-click a study or claim in the list to open it for viewing.

See also:

Set the default filter for the study or claims list
Create a filter for the study or claims list

Create a filter for the study or claims list

You can create a new filter for the studies or claims list.

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, select **BILLING**.

2. On the top navigation bar, select **Studies** or **Claims**.

3. On the toolbar, select the filter ▽ button.

4. In the **Study Filter** or **Claim Filter** dialog, select **ADD.**

5. Type the **Filter Name** and **Filter Order** (the order of placement as a tab and list item).

6. Select one or both of the following.

   Global Filter – Select to make the filter available to all users.

   Display as a Tab – Creates a tab on the Studies or Claims page with your filter applied.

   Display in Dropdown – Adds your filter to the Default Tab dropdown list.

7. Under the blue line, enter filtering criteria.

8. Select **SAVE.**

   Note: You may have to refresh your browser for changes to take effect.

Set the default filter for the study or claims list

You can specify which tab appears when you open the study or claims screen.

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, select **BILLING**.

2. On the top navigation bar, select **Studies** or **Claims**.

3. On the toolbar, select the filter ▽ button.

4. In the **Claim Filter** dialog, in the **Default Tab** dropdown list, select the default tab.

View a patient claim summary

The patient claim summary screen is a patient-by-patient workspace in which you can view, print, and fax a summary of available patient claims by billing provider and date.

Procedure

1. On the burger ▬ menu, select **BILLING**.

2. On the top navigation bar, select **Claims**.

3. In the list of claims, find a claim for a patient whose summary you want to view.

4. Right-click the claim, and then select **Patient Claims**.

5. In the **Billing Provider** dropdown list, select a billing provider.

6. Optional. To modify the contents of the summary, select or clear these checkboxes:

   - **Include Billing Provider Info** – Select to include billing providers
   - **Include Third Party Payers** – Clear to exclude insurance providers
   - **Include All Comments** – Select to include claim comments

7. Optional: Select **PRINT** and/or **FAX.**

8. Optional. To move to through patient claim summaries, select **PREVIOUS** and **NEXT**.

View a claim summary

You can view a claim summary in a read-only pop-up window.

Procedure

1. On the burger ▬ menu, select **BILLING**.

2. On the top navigation bar, select **Claims**.

3. In the list of claims, find a claim for a patient whose summary you want to view, and select its claim summary ▤ button.

View a claim inquiry

The claim inquiry screen is a patient-by-patient workspace in which you can print statements and invoices, view claim forms, and add transaction comments and alerts.

Open the claim inquiry screen

1. On the burger ▬ menu, select **BILLING**.

2. On the top navigation bar, select **Claims**.

3. In the list of claims, find a claim for a patient whose history you want to view, and select its claim inquiry ▤ button.

4. To move through patients, select **PREVIOUS** or **NEXT**.

Add a transaction comment or alert

1. In the **Transaction Detail** area, select **ADD**.

2. In the left pane, type a comment.

3. Optional: Select checkboxes for screens on which you want your comment to appear as an alert.

4. Select **SAVE**.

Other tasks

- To add a reminder to follow-up on the claim, in the **Follow-Up Date** box, select a date, and then select **SAVE**.
- To add billing notes, under **Billing Notes**, select the notes ▤ button, and then select **SAVE**.
- To print a statement, select **PRINT STATEMENT**.
- To print a statement for a selected recipient, select the **PRINT STATEMENT** button shortcut ▾ menu, and then select a recipient.
- To print an invoice, select **PRINT INVOICE**.
- To move to the patient claims screen, select **PATIENT CLAIMS**.
- To view insurance forms, in the **Insurance** area, select a form button.

Entering and submitting claims

Enter a claim for a study

For studies that are completed but unbilled, you can enter a claim based on the information in that study. For other charges, see Enter a non–study-related claim.

Prerequisite: Configure a billing provider.

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, select **BILLING**.

2. On the top navigation bar, select **Studies**.

3. Right-click a study whose billed status is Unbilled, and then select **Create Claim**.

4. Optional: In the **Claim Creation** dialog, on the **CHARGES** sub-tab, select **NEW CHARGE** and do the following:

   a. In the **CPT Description** dropdown list, select an item.

   b. In the **CPT Code** dropdown list, select a new code, if necessary.

   c. Add pointers and modifiers as needed.

5. In the **CLAIMS**, **INSURANCE**, **ADDITIONAL INFO**, and **BILLING SUMMARY** tabs, enter all necessary information.

6. Select **SAVE**.

See also:

Keyboard shortcuts for the claim entry screen
Settings in the claim entry screen

Enter a non–study-related claim

You can enter a claim for charges unrelated to studies, such as for CDs or medical records. Even though this procedure is primarily intended for unrelated charges, you can also use these steps to associating charges with a study.

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, select **BILLING**.

2. On the top navigation bar, select **Studies**, and then select **NEW CLAIM**.

3. In the **Claim Creation** dialog, search for a patient by name or MRN.

4. In the **PATIENT SEARCH RESULTS** list, select a patient, and then do one of the following.

- To create a study-related claim, select the checkbox of the study, and then select **WITH STUDY**.
- To create a non-study-related claim, select **CREATE WITHOUT STUDY**.

5. In the **Claim Creation** dialog, on the **CHARGES** sub-tab, select **NEW CHARGE** and do the following:

   a. In the **CPT Description** dropdown list, select an item.

   b. In the **CPT Code** dropdown list, select a new code, if necessary.

   c. Add pointers and modifiers as needed.

6. Enter the remaining options as necessary, and then select **SAVE**.

See also:

Settings in the claim entry screen
Keyboard shortcuts for the claim entry screen

Select a delay reason for a claim

If submitting a late claim, you can add a reason for the delay. Exa PACS/RIS comes with pre-configured delay reasons, and you can configure additional reasons if needed (see Add codes and other basic data).

Procedure

1. While a claim is open for creating or editing, select the **ADDITIONAL INFO** tab.

2. At the bottom of the **Additional Information** section, on the **Delay Reasons** dropdown list, select a reason.

3. Click **SAVE**.

Enter claims in batches

To make it easier to process large numbers of claims for different patients, you can enter, edit, and validate then in batches.

Procedure

1. On the burger ☰ menu, select **BILLING**.

2. On the top navigation bar, select **Studies**.

3. Select multiple studies and then select **BATCH CLAIM**.

4. On the top navigation bar, select **Claims**.

5. On the search bar, in the **CLAIM STATUS** dropdown list, select **Pending Validation**.

6. Claims for all studies that you selected earlier are listed on the screen (along with any other claims in Pending Validation status).

7. Open the first claim in the list, edit as needed, and then select **VALIDATE**.

8. Select **NEXT**, and then repeat the previous step until all claims in the batch are processed.

Create claims automatically with Auto Billing

With the Auto Billing function you can create *auto billing profiles*, which are sets of criteria evaluated against study information. When a study matches all criteria in an auto billing profile, Exa PACS/RIS automatically creates a claim for the study. To create an auto billing profile:

Prerequisites:

- Configure items for one or more criteria, such as facilities, modalities, and service codes.
- Your user role must include the Autobilling user right (contact your facility administrator).

1. On the burger ☰ menu, select **BILLING**.

2. On the top navigation bar, on the **Setup** menu, select **Auto Billing**, and then select **ADD**.

3. In the **Description** box, type a name for the profile.

4. In the **Results in Claim Status** dropdown list, select the status to assign to claims created based on this profile.

5. Under **Study Status**, **Facilities**, **Ordering Facilities**, and other categories, add one or more criteria as follows.

- Select the **Is** or **Is Not** option (for example Is).
- Select a study status in the dropdown list (for example, Tech Start (TS))

6. Select the plus ➕ button.

7. Select **SAVE**.

   Result: In this example, when a study changes to the *Tech Start* status, Auto Billing creates a claim for that study.

See also:

Add a facility
Add modalities
Configure procedure codes
User rights
Create a user role

Validate claims

You can validate claims to ensure that information is present in all required options.

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, select **BILLING**.

2. On the top navigation bar, select **Claims**, and then select one or more claims.

3. On the toolbar, select **VALIDATE**.

4. If any options are invalid, the program displays them.

See also:

Configure claim validation

Add a claim to the follow-up queue

If you know that a claim will need further attention in the future, you can add it to the follow-up queue. To view the follow-up queue, in the upper left of the **CLAIMS** page, select the **FOLLOW-UP QUEUE** tab.

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, select **BILLING**.

2. On the top navigation bar, select **Claims**.

3. In the list of claims, right-click a claim and then select **Add Follow-up**.

4. In the **Add Follow-up** dialog, enter a follow-up date.

5. Optional. If the **Follow-Up User** list appears, select the person to whom to assign the follow-up.

6. Select **SAVE.**

Make quick changes to claims

You can make quick changes to claims without opening them for editing.

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, select **BILLING**.

2. On the top navigation bar, select **Claims**.

3. In the list of claims, right-click one (only) claim and then select one of the following.

    Change Claim Status – In the submenu, select a new claim status.

    Change Billing Code – In the submenu, select a new billing code.

Change Billing Class – In the submenu, select a new billing class.

Change Billing Payer Type – In the submenu, select a new payer type.

Split a claim

If a claim has more than one charge, you can split the claim by moving some of the charges to a new claim for the same patient.

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, select **BILLING**.

2. On the top navigation bar, select **Claims**.

3. In the list of claims, right-click a claim and select **Split Claim**.

4. In the **Create/Split** dialog, find a charge that you want to move to the new claim, and select its plus (+) sign.

5. Select **SAVE.**

   The new claim is added to the **CLAIMS** page.

Submit a claim

You can submit one or more claims of the same billing method.

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, select **BILLING**.

2. On the top navigation bar, select **Claims**.

3. On the search bar, in the **BILLING METHOD** column dropdown list, select a billing method (for example "Paper Claim").

4. In the list of claims, select one or more claims, select **VALIDATE**, and then resolve any issues.

5. In the upper-right corner of the screen, select the billing method selection ▾ button, select the same billing method that you selected previously (e.g. **Paper Claim**), and then select the button (e.g. select **PAPER CLAIM (B&W)**).

6. In the dialog do one of the following.

   - **Electronic claims** – In the EDI Claims dialog, select **DOWNLOAD**, and then upload the edi.txt file the clearinghouse.
   - **Other claims and invoices** - Download or print the invoice.

See also:

Configure columns on the Studies and Claims screens

Other billing-related tasks

View and edit the patient chart in Billing

You can open and edit the Exa PACS/RIS patient chart from within Billing.

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, select **BILLING**.

2. On the top navigation bar, select **Claims**, and double-click a claim.

3. At the top of the screen, select the **Patient Chart** link.

   Result: The Patient Information tab of the patient chart opens.

4. Optional. Edit patient information and select **SAVE PATIENT**.

View patient alerts in Billing

You can view patient alerts from the Studies screen. To view patient alerts from the Edit Study screen, see, "View patient alerts."

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, select **BILLING**.

2. On the top navigation bar, select **Studies**, and then open a study.

3. At the top of the **Claim Creation** or **Edit** screen, select **Alerts**.

View and enter notes and reasons for study

You can view previously entered patient, study, schedule, and reason for study notes, and enter new ones.

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, select **BILLING**.

2. On the top navigation bar, select **Studies**.

3. Double-click a study or claim in the list

4. In the **Edit** screen, select **Notes**.

5. In the **Notes** dialog, select a tab (such as STUDY NOTES), and then do one of the following.

   - Select **ADD**, type the note, and then select **SAVE**.
   - To find an existing note, enter criteria in the search bar.
   - To edit an existing note, double-click it in the list.

View and download a patient document

You can download any patient documents that are available in Exa PACS/RIS.

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, select **BILLING**.

2. On the top navigation bar, select **Claims**.

3. In the list of claims, right-click a claim and then select **View Documents**.

4. Optional. In the **Patient Documents** dialog, narrow the list of documents by entering properties in the search bar.

5. Double-click a document in the list.

6. In the second **Patient Documents** dialog, in the right pane, select the link of the document to download.

    Result: Exa Billing downloads the documents to the Windows Downloads folder.

Upload a new patient document

You can upload and attach a new document to the patient chart. You can upload files of the following formats: TXT, PDF, and JPG.

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, select **BILLING**.

2. On the top navigation bar, select **Claims**.

3. In the list of claims, right-click a claim and then select **View Documents**.

4. In the **Patient Documents** dialog, select **UPLOAD**.

5. In the second **Patient Document** dialog, enter the required metadata and then select **SELECT FILES**.

6. Browse for and select the file to upload, and then select **Open**.

    Note: Exa Billing renames the file with a UID, and displays its icon in the right pane.

7. Select **SAVE.**

Create a billing report

You can create various types of reports based on configurable criteria, and then export them in formats including PDF, XLS, CSV, and XML.

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, select **BILLING**.

2. On the top navigation bar, select **Report**, and then select a report type in the list.

   Enter criteria in the options provided, and then do one of the following.

   - To preview the report, select **VIEW**.
   - To export the report, select the button corresponding to the file format.

View approved reports associated with claims

You can view all available reports associated with a claim.

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, select **BILLING**.

2. On the top navigation bar, select **Claims**.

3. In the list of claims, right-click a claim and select **View Reports**.

4. In the **Approved Reports** dialog, double-click a report to open it.

See also:

View documents and reports in the multi-panel

View documents and reports in the multi-panel

When opening claims or studies in Billing you can open documents and reports in the multi-panel.

Procedure

1. Open a claim or study, and select **DOCUMENTS AND REPORTS**.

   Result: The **Priors** panel of the multi-panel appears.

2. In the left pane, select a document or report to view.

If linked prior reports are included, the main report appears at the top of the left pane with its linked reports indented below.

Create and deliver a patient statement

If patients are in facilities such as nursing homes or hospice, and you send bills to their guarantor or a third party payer, you can change the mailing address when printing the patient statement.

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, select **BILLING**.

2. On the top navigation bar, select **Report**, and then select **Patient Statement** in the list.

3. Select criteria for the report.

   Note: In the US, some information such as the address is excluded from the patient statement if the patient is a minor.

4. In the **Statement Mode** button shortcut menu, select **Select**.

5. In the **Mail To** button shortcut menu, select a recipient.

6. Click a format button to generate the report (**PDF**, **EXCEL**, **CSV**, or **XML**).

View the patient claim log

You can view a log of patient claim activity.

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, select **BILLING**.

2. On the top navigation bar, select **Claims**.

3. In the list of claims, right-click a claim and select **Patient Claim Log**.

Send claims to collections

You can prepare a report to review all claims that are in "collections review" status. You can generate this report for the collection agency, change the claim statuses to "claim in collections," and adjust off the claim balances.

Procedure

1. the burger ▤ menu, select **BILLING**.

2. On the **Report** menu, select **Collections**.

3. Select filtering criteria in the **Claim Date**, **Facilities**, and **Billing Provider** lists.

4. Optional. To send the report to the collections agency, select the **Send claims to collections** checkbox.

5. To generate the report, select a report format button (such as **PDF** or **EXCEL**).

Open an insurance provider's website from a claim

When browsing claims, you can open the website of a claim's insurance provider directly from a claim.

Prerequisite: Configure the URL of the website for the insurance provider (see Add an insurance provider).

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, select **BILLING**.

2. On the top navigation bar, select **Claims**, and then select **ALL CLAIMS**.

3. On the shortcut menu of a claim, select **Change Billing Payer Type**, hover over a payer type, and then select the URL.

Manage payments

Find and view payments

You can find and view existing payment information for reference or editing.

Procedure

1. On the burger ▬ menu, select **BILLING**.

2. On the top navigation bar, select **Payments**.

3. To filter the list of payments, in the search bar, do one or more of the following.

   - Type or select one or more criteria and then select Enter.
   - Select a column header to sort the list of claims.
   - In the upper-left part of the screen, select the Payment Status button and then select one or more payment status filters.

   Note: For tips on searching, see Search syntax.

4. Double-click a payment in the list to open it for viewing or editing.

Record a payment

You can record a payment based on an EOB or an invoice. "Recording" a payment enters the bulk payment in the system, but does not apply the payment to claims and charges. To apply recorded payments, see the "Apply payments" topics later in this section.

Procedure

1. On the burger ▬ menu, select **BILLING**.

2. On the top navigation bar, select **Payments**.

3. At the top of the list of payments, select **ADD.**

4. In the **PAYMENTS** screen, enter the payment details, and then select **SAVE.**

5. Optional. New buttons appear in the middle of the screen that you can use as follows.

   - To record a new payment, select **ADD**.
   - To print a record of the payment, select **PRINT**.
   - To delete the current payment, select **DELETE**.

See also:

Apply payments against a list of unpaid claims

Apply payments against a customized list of claims

Step through claims to add payments

You can step through claims and add payment information.

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, select **BILLING**.

2. On the top navigation bar, select **Claims**, and open a claim.

3. At the bottom of the **PAYMENTS** sub-tab, select **NEW PAYMENT**.

4. Enter payment information, select **APPLY**

5. In the detail screen, enter payment details.

   Optional: To attach documents, select **DOCUMENTS**.

6. Select **SAVE**, then close the details screen.

7. Select **PREV/NEXT** to step through claims and add payments.

Apply payments against a list of unpaid claims

You can apply payments to an automatically generated list of unpaid claims for the payer.

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, select **BILLING**.

2. On the top navigation bar, select **Payments**.

3. In the list of payments, open a payment.

4. In the bottom pane, select the **PENDING PAYMENTS** tab.

5. Optional. Sort or filter the list with search criteria.

6. In the list of payments, double-click the payment to apply.

7. In the dialog, edit payment information as needed and then select **PAY IN FULL**.

   Result: Exa Billing applies payment to the line items in the list in order, until the payment balance is 0.

8. Select **SAVE.**

Apply payments against a customized list of claims

You can apply payments to a list of claims that you can customize first by patient, and then by other criteria.

Procedure

1. On the burger [≡] menu, select **BILLING**.

2. On the top navigation bar, select **Payments**.

3. In the list of payments, double-click a payment.

4. In the bottom pane, select the **PENDING PAYMENTS (BY PATIENT / CLAIM / INVOICE)** tab.

5. Use the search tools to find a patient, and then double-click a patient in the list.

6. In the dialog, edit payment information as needed and then select **PAY IN FULL**.

   Result: Exa Billing applies payment to the line items in the list, in order, until the payment balance is 0.

7. Select **SAVE**.

Pay a claim in full

You can automatically apply a payment to adjust a claim to be paid in full.

Procedure

1. On the burger [≡] menu, select **BILLING**.

2. On the top navigation bar, select **Claims**.

3. On the shortcut menu of the claim to pay, select **Adjust to Paid in Full.**

4. In the **Adjust to Paid in Full** dialog, in the **Adjustment Codes** dropdown list, select an adjustment code.

5. Select **SAVE**.

Look up and edit applied payments

You can look up applied payments for reference, and edit them if necessary.

Procedure

1. On the burger [≡] menu, select **BILLING**.

2. On the top navigation bar, select **Payments**.

3. In the list of payments, double-click a payment.

4. In the bottom pane, select the **APPLIED PAYMENTS** tab.

5. Edit the payment information and then select **SAVE.**

Export the payments list

You can export the contents of the currently displayed payments list to a CSV or PDF file.

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, select **BILLING**.

2. On the top navigation bar, select **Payments**.

3. Filter the list of payments as needed.

4. Do one of the following.

   - To download a CSV file, select **EXPORT**.
     Result: Exa Billing downloads the list to your Windows Downloads folder.
   - To download a PDF file, select **GENERATE PDF**, and then download the PDF from the preview window.

Exchange files with healthcare agencies

You can exchange files such as payment records with healthcare agencies if supported by their clearinghouse (or if the healthcare agency acts as its own clearinghouse).

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, select **BILLING**.

2. On the top navigation bar, select **EOB**.

3. Optional. To preview the file before importing it, select **PREVIEW EOB FILE**, browse for and select the file, and then select **Open**.

4. To receive a file, select **Download**.

5. To send a file, select **UPLOAD & PROCESS EOB FILE**, browse for and select the file, and then select **Open**.

Apply TOS payments

You can automatically apply TOS payments to claims having the same date. If the claim has more than one charge, the payment is evenly distributed among the charges.

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, select **BILLING**.

2. On the top navigation bar, select **Payments**.

3. On the **Payments** screen, select the **Payment Status** button (ALL SELECTED) and then select **Unapplied**.

4. On the search bar, select:

- PAYER TYPE = Patient
- An accounting date range

5. Select **APPLY TOS PAYMENT**.

Write off a small balance

If the patient's total account balance falls below a specified amount, you can automatically write them off (adjust them to zero).

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, select **BILLING**.

2. On the top navigation bar, select **Payments**.

3. On the **Payments** screen, select **SMALL BALANCE ADJUSTMENT**.

4. In the **Small Balance Adjustment** dialog, type the total patient account balance at or below which Exa PACS/RIS should write off that balance, and then select **NEXT**.

5. Confirm the contents of the results list, and then select **COMPLETE**.

Mobile billing

If you purchased the necessary license, Exa PACS/RIS provides features that support mobile billing. To work with mobile billing you must first configure ordering facilities.

See also:

Configure an ordering facility

About mobile billing

Mobile billing means managing billing for Mobile RAD studies. It does not imply the use of a mobile device to perform billing tasks. Exa PACS/RIS provides separate functionality for mobile billing because the healthcare organizations involved are different, and because insurance companies in the US require claims for mobile services to be handled with different procedures and metadata.

Terminology

To explain mobile billing, we need to introduce the following terms.

Mobile radiology company

A company that dispatches technologists to a patient's location to perform an exam.

Ordering facility (herein, *OF*)

In mobile billing, a *facility* is typically a mobile radiology company, while an *ordering facility* is a facility that hires them. For example, a skilled nursing facility is an ordering facility that contracts with a mobile radiology company for mobile radiology services. Facilities use Exa PACS/RIS, while ordering facilities do not. The term *ordering facility* is not used outside the context of Exa PACS/RIS.

Ordering facility location or contact

A billable sub-division of an OF. For example, a skilled nursing facility may have multiple wings (locations), which may have multiple halls (locations), which may have multiple stations or fax lines (contacts).

Census

A billing type available to OFs in which the responsible payer and pay status may be unknown at initial billing time. The term *census* refers to a weekly report from OFs detailing the payment status of its residents, which is difficult to track because it can change over time.

Example of mobile billing

Consider the following example of a mobile billing workflow. In this example, the **OF** is a skilled nursing facility.

An OF needs an X-ray for one of its residents. The OF signs into **Ordering Facility Portal**, and orders the X-ray from **MRC** (the mobile radiology company with whom they have a contract). The order arrives at MRC in Exa PACS/RIS, and MRC uses **Mobile RAD** to dispatch a technologist to the skilled nursing facility to perform the X-ray. When the technologist changes the order status to Completed, an in-progress claim is created in the **Census** queue within Exa PACS/RIS. When the responsible payer and payment status of the claim is finalized, MRC completes the claim (or split claims) and sends them to the responsible payer or payers. Information and reports about the study and claims become available in the ordering facility portal to those with access.

Procedures

To configure and use mobile billing, refer to the following topics in this manual.

Procedure	User Manual Topic
Sign in to the OF portal.	Sign in to the Exa platform
Configure OF types.	App settings
Configure an OF (including providers, reps, users, and technologists).	Configure an ordering facility
Configure an OF location or contact.	Add a location or contact to an ordering facility
Understand billing types.	What is a billing type?
Configure billing rules and charge types.	About billing rules "About procedure code charge types" in About procedure codes, appointment types, and appointment type procedures Add a billing rule
Link a user to an OF, manage access to scheduling in the OF portal, and manage access to studies.	Create a user
Filter the preorders tab for OF orders.	Select a quick filter of the pre orders tab
View OF contact information from the worklist.	Open a pop-up window for physicians and ordering facilities
Select an OF for an order or study.	Edit order information Edit basic patient demographics
Dispatch a mobile RAD study to an OF.	Create a new order for dispatch
Add an OF location to an appointment.	Enter appointment information
Automatically create claims for an OF.	Create claims automatically with Auto Billing

Procedure	User Manual Topic
Mail a printed statement to an OF.	Step through claims to add payments
Use Census billing.	About the Census screen
	Create a claim in the Census screen

About the Census screen

The Census screen shows a list of studies at ordering facility locations of type Census, and lets you create claims for them. Such ordering facility locations process studies whose payer status is unknown or subject to change, even up to the day of the study (for example, Medicare patients at skilled nursing facilities). When the billing method for a study is finalized, you can create a claim directly in the Census screen, which then moves to the Claims screen for further processing in the usual manner.

Create a claim in the Census screen

You can create claims directly in the Census screen.

Procedure

1. On the burger ☰ menu, go to **BILLING** > **Census**.

2. In the **Ordering Facility** list, select a facility.
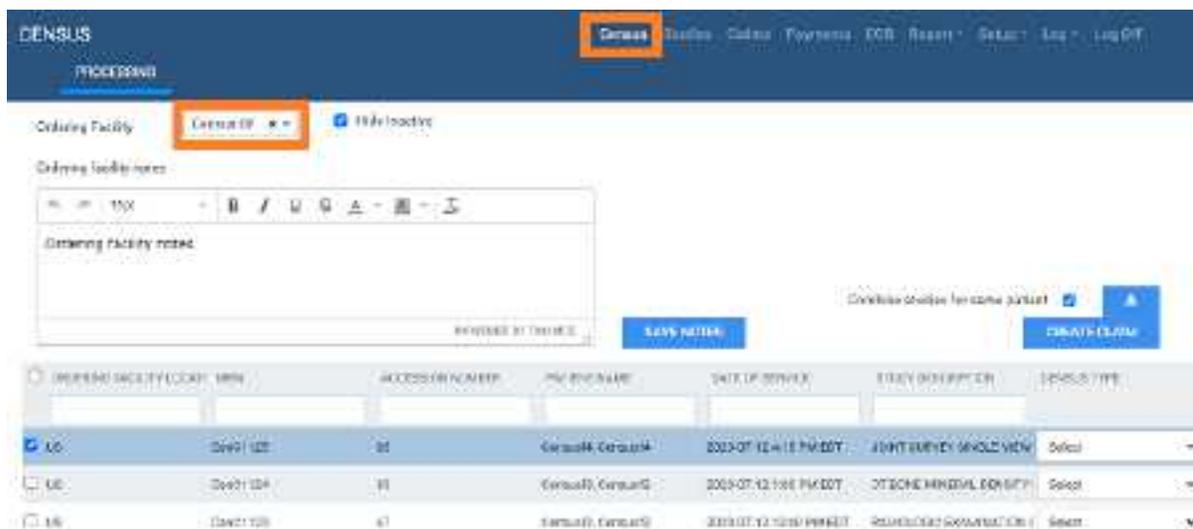
3. Optional: In the **Ordering Facility Notes** box, type or edit notes, and then select **SAVE NOTES**.

4. Select a study in the list, assign the census type, and then select **CREATE CLAIM.**

Combine studies into a claim

If studies are of the same patient, date of service, reading provider, and facility, you can combine them into a single claim.

1. In the **Census** screen, select **Combine studies for same patient**.

2. In the list of studies, select studies to combine.

3. Select **CREATE CLAIM**.

Export the census queue

You can export the census queue to send your ordering facilities.

Procedure

1. On the burger menu, select **BILLING**.

2. On the toolbar, select **Census**.

3. In the **Ordering Facility** list, select a facility.

4. Select the export button.

   Result: The census queue appears in your Windows Downloads folder as an Excel file.

Work with reports

Create, view, and deliver reports

Create a report

You can create various types of reports based on configurable criteria, and then export them in formats including PDF, XLS, CSV, and XML. Note that *reports* here does not include approved reports from radiologists.

Procedure

1. On the burger ☰ menu, select **REPORTS**.

2. On the top navigation bar, select **Report**, and then select a report type in the list.

3. Below the **Filter Fields** label, select criteria to define the content of the report.

4. Select **VIEW**, or select an output format (**PDF**, **EXCEL**, **CSV**, or **XML**).

See also:

Create a billing report
Create a peer review report
Create and deliver a patient statement

View your saved reports

You can view open and download reports that you previously saved.

Procedure

1. On the burger ☰ menu, select the arrow ⟩ next to **REPORTS**, and then select **MY REPORTS**.

2. Select a report in the list, and then:

   - Select ⬇ to download
   - Select ◉ to open

Send reports to providers

You can configure Exa PACS/RIS to automatically send reports and images through email to specified provider locations/contacts and their provider groups.

Prerequisite: Add a referring physician or ordering physician to any studies whose reports you want to send (see Edit study information).

Procedure

1. On the burger menu, select **SETUP** > [**full caps menu**] > **Providers & Resources** > **RESOURCE**.

2. In the list of resources, double-click a provider type resource.

3. On the **LOCATIONS/CONTACTS** sub-tab, double-click a location/contact in the list.

4. Double-click a location/contact in the list. In the **Contact Information** area, in the **Email** box, type the email address of the provider contact.

5. In the **Reports to Me** area, under **Contact Information**, enter the following settings. To send reports to other members of the provider location/contact's provider group, under **Reports to Group**, enter the same settings.

Setting	Description
Email Report Link	Select to send a link to the report in an email.
Postal Mail	Select to send a hard copy of the report to the mailing address entered in the Contact Information area.
Fax	Select to send a fax of the report to the fax number entered in the Contact Information area.
Email Attachment	Select to send the report as an attachment to an email.
Auto-Print	Available when you select postal mail. Select a printer in the dropdown list to automatically print reports.
Office Fax	Select to send a fax of the report to the office fax number entered in the Contact Information area.

6. Optional: Under **Report Password**, type a password to require to open reports.

7. Select **SAVE & CLOSE**.

   Note: You can view your sent reports at: Burger menu > SETUP > General > REPORT QUEUE. Records are processed and sent to the specified user or group based on the email service configuration.

Work with Exa Chat

What is Exa Chat?

Exa Chat is a program within Exa PACS/RIS that provides secure *chat* (exchange of text messages) with other members of your institution. You can hold private chats (instant messaging), or group chats with individuals or departments. You must purchase a license to use Exa Chat.

What is the contact list?

The contact list is contained in the main Exa Chat window that appears in the lower left of the Exa PACS/RIS browser window, and lists chat rooms in which you participated. You can select any room to re-open it. When a user archives a room, it is removed from the contact list.
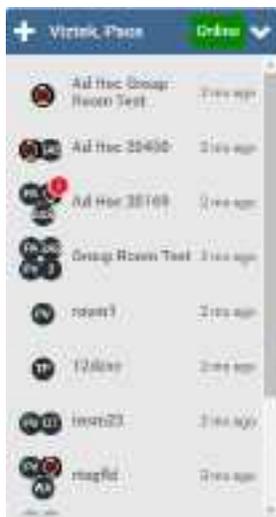
About group (multi-user) chat rooms

Group and *ad hoc* are both types of multiuser chat room. Group chat rooms are managed, and ad hoc chat rooms are not. If you start a private chat and then add a third member, the chat room becomes an ad hoc chat room. The following table summarizes other differences.

Property	Group	Ad hoc
Who can create the room?	The "manager" (user with Group Chats Management rights).	Any user with Personal Chat Allowed rights.
Who can/remove add members?	The manager. No special user rights are required to be added.	Any member can add anyone else with Personal Chat Allowed user rights.
Who can delete/archive the room?	The manager.	Only the last remaining member.

Use Exa Chat

Start a new private chat

To start chatting with someone for the first time, you can create a private chat room. After creating a private chat room, it appears in the contact list for future use.

Procedure

1. On the contact list, select the add button.

2. In the **Add room** dialog, begin typing a contact name, and then select the name from the list. The private chat room window appears to the left of the contacts list.

3. In the box at the bottom of the chat room window, type a message and select **Enter**.

Join a group chat room

You can join a group chat room that was configured in Exa PACS/RIS.

Prerequisite: <u>Add a group chat room</u>

Procedure

1. On the contact list, select the add button.

2. In the **Add private room** dialog, start typing the name of the group room, and then select the name from the list. The group chat room window appears to the left of the contacts list.

3. In the box at the bottom of the chat room window, type a message and select **Enter**.

Start a new multi-user chat

To start a group chat, you create a multiuser chat room. After creating the room, it appears in the contact list for future use.

Procedure

1. On the contact list, select the add button.

2. In the **Add Room** dialog, select **CREATE ROOM**.

3. In the **Create new room** dialog, type a title for the room, and then select **CREATE NEW ROOM**.

4. The multiuser chat room window appears to the left of the contacts list.

5. In the box at the bottom of the chat room window, type a message and select **Enter**.

6. The message is sent to all members in the chat room.

Minimize or restore chat rooms

- To minimize a chat room, select its minimize ⌄ button.

- To minimize Exa Chat (all chat rooms and the contact list), select the minimize button on the contact list.

- To restore a single chat room or all chat rooms, select the maximize ⌃ button at the bottom of the browser window.

Open a previously used chat room

Each entry in the contact list corresponds to a chat room in which you participated. Select any room in the list to re-open it and re-initiate a chat.

Add a member to a chat room

You can add a new member to an existing chat room. You can also add a group chat room as a "member" of another chat room.

Procedure

1. On the header of a chat room, select the settings ⚙ button.

2. Select **Add users or Groups**.

3. In the **Add user** dialog, begin typing a contact name, or a group chat room name, and then select the name from the list.

4. Select **OK**.

Change your status

Your status indicates your availability to chat. You can set a status of Busy (available for emergencies) and DND (do not disturb, do not play sounds). Unless you assign a status manually, Exa Chat automatically assigns a status of Online (available) or Offline (unavailable).

Procedure

1. On the header of the contact list, select the status button.
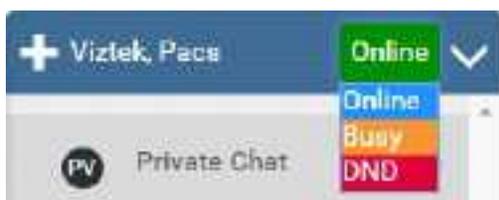
2. Select a status.

Add a chat room to your favorites

When you add a chat room to your favorites, it moves to the top of the contact list.

Procedure

1. Open the chat room that you want to add.

2. In the chat room window header, select the Add to favorites ⭐ button.

Use an avatar for chat

An avatar is an image such as a photo that represents you in a chat room. To use an avatar in chat, follow the procedure in "Add an avatar" and the avatar will appear in your chat rooms automatically.

Copy from one message to another

You can copy all or part of a message into another message.

- Select all or some text in one message, select Ctrl+C, and then paste into another message.

- Drag a message from one chat window into the message box of another chat window.

Manage Exa Chat

Add user roles for Exa Chat

Administrators must add user roles for Exa Chat.

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, select **SETUP**.

1. On the **OFFICE** menu, select **User Management**.

2. On the **USER ROLES** tab, select **ADD**.

3. Type a name for the role (such as Chat), and a description, and then select **SAVE.**

4. On the **USER ROLES** tab, double-click the user role you just added.

5. Select one or more of the following checkboxes.

   Personal Chat Allowed – Create and join private and ad hoc chat rooms.

   Group Chats Management – Create and join private and multiuser chat rooms.

   Chat – Apply both of the previous rights.

6. Select **SAVE.**

See also:

Manage users

Rename a chat window

You can change the name of an existing chat room.

Procedure

1. Select Settings ⚙ in the chat room that you want to rename.

2. Type the new title in the box, and then select **SAVE TITLE**.

Archive a chat

To save disk storage space, you can archive your chats. Archiving saves messages older than a pre-configured date to a CSV file, and then removes them from the system. Archiving only works if the system holds more than a pre-configured number of messages.

Procedure

1. Select Settings ⚙ in the chat room that you want to archive.

2. Select **Archive the chat**.

Use Exa Links

What are Exa Links?

Exa Links are links to Exa PACS/RIS controls that you send to chat members. Recipients can select the Exa Links to open patient charts, studies in the Edit Study screen or viewer, approved reports, notes, and other assets.

Find and send an Exa Link

If you hover over a control in Exa PACS/RIS and its tooltip ends with "⋯ - Share to Chat," it is an Exa Link.
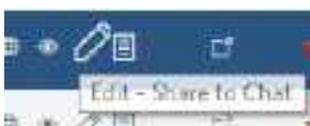
The following table lists the controls that are available as Exa Links at the time of this writing. More will be added in future versions.

Page	Controls	
Worklist	Study toolbar: Viewer, Edit, Approved Reports	

To send an Exa Link, drag it onto the message box at the bottom of a chat room window, and then select **Enter**.

Send a document by using an Exa Link

In addition to the Exa Links on the worklist, you can send Exa Links to documents from the Patient Documents screen.

Procedure

1. On a worklist shortcut menu, select **Attached Files**.

2. In the **Patient Document** dialog, double-click a document to open it.

3. Drag the **Share to Chat** button into a chat message.

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Work with tools

Exa PACS/RIS includes a suite of tools that provide a variety of functionality. Some tools must be installed locally on the client computer (see Install and configure tools).

Use import tools

Import studies from CD

You can perform a "CD import."

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Ensure that the data to be imported, and the data after import are correct.

Prerequisite: Install Opal tools.

Procedure

1. On the burger ☰ menu, select the arrow next to **TOOLS**, and then select **CD IMPORT**.

2. If the "Open Opal Import?" message appears, select the checkbox, and then select **Open Opal Import**.

3. In the **OpalImport** dialog, select **Select Files/Folders or DICOMDIR to Import**, and then browse for and select files to import.

4. Enter customization settings and then select **Import**.

Import studies to a specific AE (API mode)

You can import studies to a specific AE.

Procedure

1. On the worklist, on the **PACS Actions** ⚙ menu, select **Import Images**.

   Note: If the "Open Opal Import?" message appears, select the checkbox, and then select **Open Opal Import**.

2. In the **OpalImport** dialog, turn on API mode by typing `1q2w3e4r5t`.

   Note: You only need to perform this step once. API mode will remain on permanently.

3. Select the **Exa API transfer** option.

4. Select **Select Files/Folders or DICOMDIR to Import**, and then browse for and select files to import.

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5. Enter customization settings and then select **Import**.

Work with Patient Portal

Patient Portal is a website that patients can use to view or modify information about their past and future exams, demographics, insurance, guarantors, and representatives, and to schedule appointments.

About creating a patient account

Before the patient can use Patient Portal, clinical staff must work with the patient to create an account. You can choose one of two workflows to create an account: initiated by clinical staff, or initiated by the patient.

Create a patient account

To create a new patient portal account:

As clinical staff

1. Provide the patient portal URL to the patient. You can contact the patient directly, or add the URL to the appointment confirmation screen or automated appointment reminders.

2. In the patient's chart, select **PORTAL ACCOUNT**.

3. Enter information as needed, and then select **CREATE**.

   Result: Exa PACS/RIS sends an email to the patient with a link they can use to set their password.

3. Click **SAVE**.

As the patient

1. On the patient portal sign-in screen, select **NEW USER**.

2. In the **New User Registration** dialog, fill out the form, and then select **Save**.

3. Open the email from your healthcare facility, and then select the verification link to verify your email address.

Link the portal account to a patient chart

When a patient initiates creating their own Patient Portal account, the demographics they enter are sent to Exa PACS/RIS. You must reconcile that information to the patient's existing chart, or use it to create a new chart.

Procedure

1. On the burger ☰ menu, select **PORTAL REG USERS**.

2. On the **Portal Registered Users** screen, open a user of Verified status.

3. In the **Portal Registered Information** screen, in the **Patient Match** area, search for a matching patient. If no matching patients appear, select **CREATE NEW**, edit the patient's information as needed, and then select **CREATE PATIENT**.

4. Open the matching patient, and check the **Registration Information** pane on the right; if any information appears in yellow, decide whether you want to update the patient chart with the new information.

5. Do one of the following:

   - To update the patient chart and link the account, select **SAVE AND LINK**, and then select **UPDATE**.
   - To continue linking the account without updating the patient chart, select **SAVE AND LINK**, and then select **CONTINUE WITHOUT UPDATING**.
   - To reject the registration request altogether, select **REJECT**.

Use the patient portal

Only patients and authorized representatives can use the patient portal, but you can refer to these instructions to assist patients. See also the Patient Portal user's manual.

Sign in to the patient portal

Procedure

1. Go to the URL given to you by your healthcare provider.
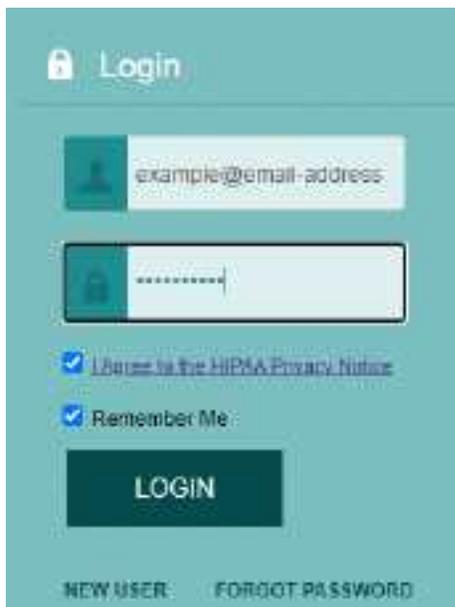
2. In the **Login** pane, in the first box, type your email address.

3. In the second box, type your password.

4. Select the **I Agree to the HIPAA Privacy Notice** link to open the notice, and then read it.

5. If you agree, select the **I Agree to the HIPAA Privacy Notice** checkbox.

6. Optional. To automatically fill in your email address whenever you go to the sign-in page, select the **Remember Me** checkbox.

7. Select **LOGIN**.

I forgot my password

If you forget your password, you can reset it from the sign-in page.

1. On the sign-in page, on the right pane, select **FORGOT PASSWORD**.

2. In the **Forgot Password** box, type your email address and select **SUBMIT**.

3. Open the email sent to the address you entered, and use the link to reset your password.

Go to the Home screen

• In the left pane, select **Home**.

Find a location

You can search for a healthcare facility near you on a map.

1. In the left pane, select **Our Locations**.

2. In the list of locations, select a location to show it on the map.

View appointments and appointment confirmations

You c an view information about your past and future appointments, and view and print the appointment confirmation card.

Procedure

1. On the home screen, select the **Future Appointments** or **Past Appointments** tab. Each appointment appears in a row.

2. To open the appointment confirmation card, on the left side of an appointment row, select the appointment card ⬛ button.

3. To print the appointment confirmation card, open the confirmation card, and then select **Print**.

Upload a document

You can send us documents such as scans of your insurance card, forms, and reports from prior exams by uploading them in the patient portal.

1. On the home screen, select the **Future Appointments** or **Past Appointments** tab.

2. Find the row containing the appointment that pertains to your document.

3. On the right side of the row, select the upload ⬆ button.

4. In screen that appears, enter any of the following that may be helpful to manage the document:

   • **Document Type** - Select the type of document to upload.
   • **Document Notes** – Type a description, or other notes, if needed.
   • **Created By** – Type the originator of the document (such as a doctor, or yourself).
   • **Import/Upload Date** – Type the current date.

5. Select **Upload**.

View your appointments in a calendar

You can open a calendar view of your appointments.

- On the home screen, select the Calendar button.

Request an appointment

You can request an appointment for specific study on a specific date at a selected location. If you do not know this information, leave the options blank (this does not affect how quickly your appointment will be scheduled).

Procedure

1. On the home screen, select the menu button.

2. Select the Schedule button.

3. On the **Appointments** tab, select **Add**.

4. Under **Add Information**, enter the following settings.

Setting	Description	
Location	Select your first choice of healthcare facility for the appointment.	
Modality	Select the type of imaging to receive from one of the following.	
	AT	
	BD	Bone density
	BR	
	BTO	Breast tomography
	CR	Computed radiography
	CT	CT (computed tomography)
	DG	Diaphanography
	DX	Digital radiography
	MG	Mammogram
	MGK	
	MR	MRI (magnetic resonance imaging)
	NM	Nuclear medicine
	OT	Other

Setting	Description	
	PT	PET (positron emission tomography)
	RF	Radio fluoroscopy
	RT	Record of treatment
	SC	Secondary capture
	SP	Stereophotogrammetry
	TM	
	US	Ultrasound
	XA	X-ray angiography
Referred By	Select your first choice of date for the appointment.	
Requesting Date	Select your first choice of date for the appointment.	
Schedule Notes	Type any special instructions or notes to the healthcare provider.	
Appointment Type	The appointment type corresponding to the selected modality, if available. Filled in automatically.	
As Soon as Possible	If the appointment is urgent, select this checkbox.	

5. Click **Save**.

   Result: The appointment request is sent.

Update insurance information

If your insurance policy changes, you can update it.

Procedure

1. On the home screen, select the menu ⠿ button.

2. Select the Insurance 🔟 button.

3. On the **Insurance** tab, find the policy you want to update, and on the right, select its edit ✐ button.

4. Edit the information as needed, and then select **Save**.

Add an insurance policy

If you obtain new a insurance policy, you can add it.

Procedure

1. On the home screen, select the menu ⊞ button.

2. Select the Insurance ⓘ button.

3. On the **Insurance** tab, select **Add**.

4. Enter all relevant information.

   Note: If this is your only policy, in the **Level** list, select **Primary**. Otherwise, select **Secondary** for your second policy, or **Tertiary** for your third policy.

5. Select **Save**.

Add a guarantor

A guarantor is a person who accepts financial responsibility to pay the medical bill for the patient. To designate a guarantor:

Procedure

1. On the home screen, select the menu ⊞ button.

2. Select the Guarantor 👤 button.

3. On the **Guarantors** tab, select **Add**.

4. Enter information about the guarantor, and then select **Save**.

   Note: Options with an asterisk (*) are required.

Update my profile

If your personal information changes, you can edit it.

Procedure

1. On the home screen, select the menu ⊞ button.

2. Select the Edit My Profile ⚙ button.

3. On the **Credentials** tab, edit information as needed, and then select **Save**.

Reset my password

For security and protection of your personal health information, periodically reset your password.

Procedure

1. On the home screen, select the menu ⊞ button.

2. Select the Edit My Profile ✿ button.

3. On the **My Account** tab, select **Reset Password**.

4. Type your current and new password (twice), and then select **Save**.

Add an email address

To add a new email address to your account:

Procedure

1. On the home screen, select the menu ⣿ button.

2. Select the Edit My Profile ✿ button.

3. On the **My Account** tab, in the **Secondary Email** box, type an email address, and then select the plus ⊕ sign.

   Result: An verification email is sent to the address you entered.

4. Use the link in the verification email to verify your new address.

View account activity

To see a history of activity on your account:
Procedure

1. On the home screen, select the menu ⣿ button.

2. Select the Activity Log 📇 button.

3. Optional. To search for a specific log entry, select **Search**, and then:

   a. Select a search key (**Logged Date**, **Screen Name**, **Email Address**, or **Log Description**).

   b. Type a value to search for (for example, 01/31/2021).

   c. Select **Search**.

View authorized representatives

An authorized representative is a person you authorize to use your patient portal account. To view a list of your authorized representatives:

Procedure

1. On the home screen, select the menu ⣿ button.

2. Select the Authorized Representative ![icon] button.

Sign out of the patient portal

When finished using the patient portal, sign out immediately.

- In the upper-right corner of the screen, select the power ![icon] button.

Work with Physician Portal

The following are key topics regarding Physician Portal. For more information, see the Physician Portal user's manual.

Create an order

About CDSM and AUC

The Protecting Access to Medicare Act (PAMA) of 2014 requires practitioners of advanced diagnostic imaging services such as CT, PET, NM, and MRI to consult a qualified *clinical decision support mechanism* (CDSM) before ordering exams for Medicare patients. CDSMs are online apps that use *appropriate use criteria* (AUC) to determine whether exams are clinically relevant (or, "appropriate"). Exa PACS/RIS offers access to the LogicNets CDSM app through the physician's portal.

Create an order with CDSM

When creating orders for advanced imaging (CT, MR, NM, or PT), physicians can use CDSM to determine relevance for Medicare requirements.

Procedure

1. In **Physician's Portal**, in the left pane, select **New Appointment**.

2. Set up a patient:

   - For new patient, click **CREATE AND SCHEDULE**.
   - For existing patients, use the search tools to find and open a patient chart.

3. On the **Patient Information** screen, click the **Show More**, and then enter the following settings as applicable.

Setting	Description
Facility	Select your facility.
Name	Type the name of the patient.
Address, Email, Phone	Type or select the address, email address, and phone numbers of the patient.
Ordering Facility	Type the ordering facility.
Ordering Physician	Type the name of the physician ordering the exam.
Modality	Select Computed Tomography, Magnetic Resonance, Nuclear Medicine, or Positron tomography.
Appointment Type	Select an appointment type available for the modality.
Requesting Date	Type the date on which you want to perform the exam.

Setting	Description
Account No./Alt	Type the patient's account number, PID, MRN, or alternate account number (auto-filled for existing patients).
Place of Service	Select a place of service.
Transportation	Select the mode of transportation the patient uses to go to the exam.
Referral Number	For referrals, type a referral number.
Patient Condition	Select the patient's expected condition on exam day.
Patient Location	If the patient is hospitalized, select the department.
Patient Room No.	If the patient is hospitalized, type the patient's room number.
Diagnostic Codes	Type in the box to dynamically search for a diagnostic code, and then select a code that matches the appointment type. You can add more than one code.
Reason	Type a reason for the exam.
Schedule Notes	Type notes for the scheduling staff.

4. Select **ADD STUDY**.

5. Optional. Repeat the previous steps to add another study.

6. Select **CREATE ORDER**.

7. If the **AUC Requirement** message appears, if the patient has Medicare insurance, select **YES** (or select NO to skip CDSM).

8. On the **LogicNets Decision Engine** page, answer the questions to obtain a determination.

9. If the CDSM recommends one or more different CPT codes, follow the on-screen instructions to change the codes and match them with appointment types. Select **OK**.

10. On the **Order Summary** page, select to **PRINT** or **UPLOAD** the summary, and then select **CLOSE**.

Appendix

Reference

User reference

Search syntax

Various lists in Exa PACS/RIS have a search bar with column headers that accept search criteria. The following general rules apply when entering search criteria.

- In most numeric boxes, you can search for any part of the number. For example:

  In the account number box, type: 20

  Exa PACS/RIS finds: 203, 1203, and 01203.

- In a name box (such as patient name or payer name), you can type the full name in the format:

  lastname, firstname

  ⋯but not⋯

  firstname lastname.

- In a name box, you can type the first or last name only. For example:

  Type: Anderson

  Exa PACS/RIS finds: Cooper, Anderson

  ⋯and⋯

  Anderson, John.

- In a name box you can type all or part of the first or last name, but using as many letters as possible improves accuracy. For example:

  Type: Oswa

  Exa PACS/RIS finds: Oswald, Trevor

  ⋯and⋯

  Davis, Oswald

  However, if you type: Os

  Exa PACS/RIS finds only: Oswald, Trevor.

Keyboard shortcuts for the claim entry screen

When creating or editing claims, the following keyboard shortcuts are available.

Target	Shortcut
Charges sub-tab	Alt+C
Claims sub-tab	Alt+Shift+C
Insurance sub-tab	Alt+I
Additional Info. sub-tab	Alt+A
Billing Summary sub-tab	Alt+B
Payments sub-tab	Alt+P
Cursor moves to the payer name option	Alt+(+)
Previous claim	Alt+Shift+P
Next claim	Alt+Shift+N
Notes screen	Alt+N
Documents and Reports screen	Alt+D
Validate claim	Alt+V
Save All	Alt+S
Close without saving	Esc

Keyboard shortcuts and commands for Exa Trans

When using Exa Trans, the following keyboard shortcuts are available.

Command	Command Text	Shortcut
Remove last dictated piece	undo that delete that scratch that	-
Next variable placeholder	next variable	Alt+]
Previous variable placeholder	previous variable	Alt+[
Capitalize previous word	capitalize that cap that	-
Remove word left of the cursor	remove left	Ctrl+Alt+Back
Start recording		Ctrl+F1
Toggle recording		Ctrl+F3

Command	Command Text	Shortcut
Stop recording	stop recording	Ctrl+F2

Merge fields

The following table describes the merge fields available in various parts of the program. Some merge fields may not be available in your installation of Exa PACS/RIS depending on added modules, country, and other factors.

1. **SO** = Study/Order; **IN** = Insurance; **PA** = Patient; **PR** = Provider; **ET** = Email Template; **NT** = Notification Templates, **RT** = Report Templates; **SF** = Study Forms; **CF** = Custom Forms; **TT** = Transcription Templates

Merge Field	Formal Name	Scope1
FamilyHealthHistory	Family Health History	SO, NT, SF, CF
FollowUps	Follow Ups	SO, NT, SF, CF
Immunizations	Immunizations	SO, NT, SF, CF
LabResults	Lab Results	SO, NT, SF, CF
Medications	Medications	SO, NT, SF, CF
Referrals	Referrals	SO, NT, SF, CF
PreLabResults	Pre Lab Results	SO, NT, SF, CF
Problems	Problems	SO, NT, SF, CF
VitalSigns	Vital Signs	SO, NT, SF, CF
Age	Age	PA, ET, NT, SF, CF
AgeatDOS	Age at DOS	PA, ET, NT, SF, CF
Address1	Address 1	PA, ET, NT, SF, CF
Address2	Address 2	PA, ET, NT, SF, CF
Ciy	City	PA, ET, NT, SF, CF
State	State	PA, ET, NT, SF, CF
ZipCode	Zip Code	PA, ET, NT, SF, CF
DOB	DOB	PA, ET, NT, SF, CF
FirstName	First Name	PA, ET, NT, SF, CF
Fullname	Full Name	PA, ET, NT, SF, CF
Gender	Gender	PA, ET, NT, SF, CF
Race	Race	PA, ET, NT, SF, CF

Merge Field	Formal Name	Scope1
Ethnicity	Ethnicity	PA, ET, NT, SF, CF
HomePhone	Home Phone	PA, ET, NT, SF, CF
MobilePhone	Mobile Phone	PA, ET, NT, SF, CF
WorkPhone	Work Phone	PA, ET, NT, SF, CF
Lastname	Last Name	PA, ET, NT, SF, CF
Middlename	Middle Name	PA, ET, NT, SF, CF
mrn	MRN	PA, ET, NT, SF, CF
uli	ULI	PA, ET, NT, SF, CF
ssn	SSN	PA, ET, NT, SF, CF
Suffix	Suffix	PA, ET, NT, SF, CF
Weight	Weight	PA, ET, NT, SF, CF
Height	Heigh	PA, ET, NT, SF, CF
Employer	Employer	PA, ET, NT, SF, CF
PreferredLanguage	Preferred Language	PA, ET, NT, SF, CF
Username		PA, ET, NT,
Password		PA, ET, NT,
ApprovingPhysicianAddress1	Approving Physician Address 1	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
ApprovingPhysicianAddress2	Approving Physician Address 2	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
ApprovingPhysicianCity	Approving Physician City	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
ApprovingPhysicianFirstName	Approving Physician First Name	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
ApprovingPhysicianFullName	Approving Physician Full Name	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
ApprovingPhysicianLastName	Approving Physician Last Name	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
ApprovingPhysicianMiddleName	Approving Physician Middle Name	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
ApprovingPhysicianState	Approving Physician State	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
ApprovingPhysicianSuffix	Approving Physician Suffix	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
CCProv1Addr1	CC Provider 1 Address 1	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
CCProv1Addr2	CC Provider 1 Address 2	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
CCProv1City	CC Provider 1 City	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
CCProv1Name	CC Provider 1 Name	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
CCProv1State	CC Provider 1 State	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF

Merge Field	Formal Name	Scope1
CCProv1Zip	CC Provider 1 Zip	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
CCProv1Alerts	CC Provider 1 Alerts	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
CCProv2Addr1	CC Provider 2 Address 1	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
CCProv2Addr2	CC Provider 2 Address 2	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
CCProv2City	CC Provider 2 City	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
CCProv2Name	CC Provider 2 Name	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
CCProv2State	CC Provider 2 State	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
CCProv2Zip	CC Provider 2 Zip	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
CCProv2Alerts	CC Provider 2 Alerts	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
CCProv3Addr1	CC Provider 3 Address 1	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
CCProv3Addr2	CC Provider 3 Address 2	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
CCProv3City	CC Provider 3 City	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
CCProv3Name	CC Provider 3 Name	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
CCProv3State	CC Provider 3 State	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
CCProv3Zip	CC Provider 3 Zip	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
CCProv3Alerts	CC Provider 3 Alerts	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
CCProv4Addr1	CC Provider 4 Address 1	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
CCProv4Addr2	CC Provider 4 Address 2	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
CCProv4City	CC Provider 4 City	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
CCProv4Name	CC Provider 4 Name	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
CCProv4State	CC Provider 4 State	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
CCProv4Zip	CC Provider 4 Zip	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
CCProv4Alerts	CC Provider 4 Alerts	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
CCProv5Addr1	CC Provider 5 Address 1	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
CCProv5Addr2	CC Provider 5 Address 2	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
CCProv5City	CC Provider 5 City	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
CCProv5Name	CC Provider 5 Name	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
CCProv5State	CC Provider 5 State	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
CCProv5Zip	CC Provider 5 Zip	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
CCProv5Alerts	CC Provider 5 Alerts	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF

Merge Field	Formal Name	Scope1
ProviderSignature	Provider Signature	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
ReadingPhysicianAddress1	Reading Physician Address 1	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
ReadingPhysicianAddress2	Reading Physician Address 2	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
ReadingPhysicianCity	Reading Physician City	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
ReadingPhysicianFirstName	Reading Physician First Name	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
ReadingPhysicianFullName	Reading Physician Full Nae	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
ReadingPhysicianLastName	Reading Physician Last Name	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
ReadingPhysicianMiddleName	Reading Physician Middle Name	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
ReadingPhysicianState	Reading Physician State	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
ReadingPhysicianSuffix	Reading Physician Suffix	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
Ref_PhyAddress1	Referring Physician Address 1	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
Ref_PhyAddress2	Referring Physician Address 2	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
Ref_PhyCity	Referring Physician City	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
Ref_PhyFax	Referring Physician Fax	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
Ref_PhyFirstName	Referring Physician First Name	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
Ref_PhyFullname	Referring Physician Full Name	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
Ref_PhyHomePhone	Referring Physisican Home Phone	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
Ref_PhyLastName	Referring Physician Last Name	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
Ref_PhyMiddleInitial	Referring Physician Middle Initial	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
Ref_PhyNameOrderFMLS	Referring Physician Name Order First Middle Last Suffix	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
Ref_PhyState	Referring Physician State	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
Ref_PhySuffix	Referring Physician Suffix	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
Ref_PhyZip	Referring Physician zip	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
Ref_PhyMobileNo	Referring Physician Mobile Number	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
Ref_PhyOfficeNo	Referring Physician Office Number	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
Ref_PhyAlerts	Referring Physician Alerts	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
Report Link	Report Link	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
SignatureText	Signature Text	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF

Merge Field	Formal Name	Scope1
PreApprovedSignatureTExt	PreApproved Signature Text	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
preApprovedProviderSignature	PreApproved Provider Signature	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
RadiologistFullName	Radiologist Full Name	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
TechnologistFullName	Technologist Full Name	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
SignatureBlockText	Signature Block Text	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
preApprovedSignatureBlockText	PreApproved Signature Block Text	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
AttorneyFirstName	Attorney First Name	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
AttorneyFullName	Attorney Full Name	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
AttorneyLastName	Attorney Last Name	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
AttorneyMiddleName	Attorney Middle Name	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
AttorneySuffix	Attorney Suffix	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
AttorneyAddress1	Attorney Address 1	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
AttorneyAddress2	Attorney Address 2	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
AttorneyCity	Attorney City	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
AttorneyState	Attorney State	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
AttorneyZip	Attorney Zip	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
AttorneyPhoneNo	Attorney Phone Number	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
AttorneyEmail	Attorney Email	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
AttorneyFaxNo	Attorney Fax Number	PR, ET, NT, SF, CF
AppointmentTypeCode	Appointment Type Code3	SO, RT, ET, NT, SF, CF
AppointmentTypeDescription	Appointment Type Description	SO, RT, ET, NT, SF, CF
ExpectedArrivalTime	Expected Arrival Time	SO, RT, ET, NT, SF, CF
AccessionNo	Accession Number	SO, RT, ET, NT, SF, CF
ApprovedDate	Approved Date	SO, RT, ET, NT, SF, CF
PreApprovedDate	PreApproved Date	SO, RT, ET, NT, SF, CF
TranscribedDate	Transcribed Date	SO, RT, ET, NT, SF, CF
BodyPart	Body Part	SO, RT, ET, NT, SF, CF
Department	Department	SO, RT, ET, NT, SF, CF
DictationDate	Dictation Date	SO, RT, ET, NT, SF, CF

Merge Field	Formal Name	Scope1
ICDCode	ICD Code	SO, RT, ET, NT, SF, CF
ICDDescripton	ICD Description	SO, RT, ET, NT, SF, CF
StudyICDCode	Study ICD Code	SO, RT, ET, NT, SF, CF
StudyICDDescription	Study ICD Description	SO, RT, ET, NT, SF, CF
Institution	Institution	SO, RT, ET, NT, SF, CF
Modality	Modality	SO, RT, ET, NT, SF, CF
ModalityRoom	Modality Room	SO, RT, ET, NT, SF, CF
OrderedBy	Ordered By	SO, ET, NT, SF, CF
OrderingFacility	Ordering Facility	SO, ET, NT, SF, CF
Orientation	Orientation	SO, ET, NT, SF, CF
PatientLocation	Patient Location	SO, ET, NT, SF, CF
PlaceOfService	Place of Service	SO, ET, NT, SF, CF
Priority	Priority	SO, ET, NT, SF, CF
ProcedureCode	Procedure Code	SO, ET, NT, SF, CF
ProcedureCodes	Procedure Codes	SO, ET, NT, SF, CF
ProcedureCodestabular	Procedure Codes Tabular	SO, ET, NT, SF, CF
ProcedureName	Procedure Name	SO, ET, NT, SF, CF
ProcedureNames	Procedure Names	SO, ET, NT, SF, CF
ProcedureNamesTabular	Procedure Names Tabular	SO, ET, NT, SF, CF
ReasonForStudy	Reason for Study	SO, ET, NT, SF, CF
RequestingDate	Requesting Date	SO, ET, NT, SF, CF
RoomNo	Room Number	SO, ET, NT, SF, CF
STAT	STAT	SO, ET, NT, SF, CF
StudyDate	Study Date	SO, ET, NT, SF, CF
StudyDescription	Study Description	SO, ET, NT, SF, CF
StudyFlag	Study Flag	SO, ET, NT, SF, CF
StudyReceivedDate	Study Received Date	SO, ET, NT, SF, CF
TAT	TAT	SO, ET, NT, SF, CF
TranscribingUser	Transcribing User	SO, ET, NT, SF, CF
VehicleName	Vehicle Name	SO, ET, NT, SF, CF

Merge Field	Formal Name	Scope1
studyUID	Study UID	SO, ET, NT, SF, CF
StudyFormsignature	Study Form Signature	SO, ET, NT, SF, CF
CustomFormSignature	Custom Form Signature	SO, ET, NT, SF, CF
ExamPrepInstructions	Exam Prep Instructions	SO, ET, NT, SF, CF
CPTCode	CPT Code	SO, ET, NT, SF, CF
CPTName	CPT Name	SO, ET, NT, SF, CF
visit_no	Visit Number	SO, ET, NT, SF, CF
CPTCodes	CPT Codes	SO, ET, NT, SF, CF
CPTNames	CPT Names	SO, ET, NT, SF, CF
CPTCodesTabular	CPT Codes Tabular	SO, ET, NT, SF, CF
CPTNamesTabular	CPT Names Tabular	SO, ET, NT, SF, CF
DateofInjury	Date of Injury	SO, ET, NT, SF, CF
Allergies	Allergies	ET, NT, SF, CF
CompanyName	Company Name	ET, NT, SF, CF
CurrentDate	Current Date	ET, NT, SF, CF
CurrentTime	Current Time	ET, NT, SF, CF
DateAndTime	Date and Time	ET, NT, SF, CF
OfficeAddress1	Office Address 1	ET, NT, SF, CF
OfficeAddress2	Office Address 1	ET, NT, SF, CF
OfficeCity	Office City	ET, NT, SF, CF
FacilityLogo	Facility Logo	ET, NT, SF, CF
FacilityContactNo	Facility Contact Number	ET, NT, SF, CF
OfficeName	Office Name	ET, NT, SF, CF
OfficeState	Office State	ET, NT, SF, CF
Zip	Zip	ET, NT, SF, CF
FormalName	Formal Name	ET, NT, SF, CF
PracticeType	Practice Type	ET, NT, SF, CF
PrimaryInsurance	Primary Insurance	IN, ET, NT, SF, CF
PrimaryAddress	Primary Address	IN, ET, NT, SF, CF
PrimaryCity	Primary City	IN, ET, NT, SF, CF

Merge Field	Formal Name	Scope1
PrimaryState	Primary State	IN, ET, NT, SF, CF
PrimaryZipCode	Primary Zip Code	IN, ET, NT, SF, CF
PrimaryPhone	Primary Phone	IN, ET, NT, SF, CF
PrimaryFax	Primary Fax	IN, ET, NT, SF, CF
PrimarySubscriber	Primary Subscriber	IN, ET, NT, SF, CF
PrimaryDOB	Primary DOB	IN, ET, NT, SF, CF
PrimaryRelationship	Primary relationship	IN, ET, NT, SF, CF
PrimaryPolicyNo	Primary Policy Number	IN, ET, NT, SF, CF
PrimaryGroupNo	Primary Group number	IN, ET, NT, SF, CF
HealthNumber	Health Number	IN, ET, NT, CF
VersionCode	Version Code	IN, ET, NT, CF
SecondaryInsurance	Secondary Insurance	IN, ET, NT, SF, CF
SecondaryAddress	Secondary Address	IN, ET, NT, SF, CF
SecondaryCity	Secondary City	IN, ET, NT, SF, CF
SecondaryState	Secondary State	IN, ET, NT, SF, CF
SecondaryZipCode	Secondary Zip Code	IN, ET, NT, SF, CF
SecondaryPhone	Secondary Phone	IN, ET, NT, SF, CF
SecondaryFax	Secondary Fax	IN, ET, NT, SF, CF
Secondarysubscriber	Secondary Subscriber	IN, ET, NT, SF, CF
SecondaryDOB	Secondary DOB	IN, ET, NT, SF, CF
SecondaryRelatoinship	Secondary Relationship	IN, ET, NT, SF, CF
secondaryPolicyNo	Secondary Policy Number	IN, ET, NT, SF, CF
SecondaryGroupNo	Secondary Group Number	IN, ET, NT, SF, CF
FacilityNotes	Facility Notes	NT, SF, RT
FacilityFax	Facility Fax Number	RT, SF, CF, ET, NT
FacilityEmail	Facility Email Address	RT, SF, CF, ET, NT
Ord_PhyAddress1	Ordering Phys. Street Address1	RT, TT, SR, CF, ET, NT, CS
Ord_PhyAddress2	Ordering Phys. Street Address2	RT, TT, SR, CF, ET, NT, CS
Ord_PhyCity	Ordering Phys. City	RT, TT, SR, CF, ET, NT, CS
Ord_PhyFirstName	Ordering Phys. First Name	RT, TT, SR, CF, ET, NT, CS

Merge Field	Formal Name	Scope1
Ord_PhyFullName	Ordering Phys. Full Name	RT, TT, SR, CF, ET, NT, CS
Ord_PhyLastName	Ordering Phys. Last Name	RT, TT, SR, CF, ET, NT, CS
Ord_PhyMiddleName	Ordering Phys. Middle Name	RT, TT, SR, CF, ET, NT, CS
Ord_PhyState	Ordering Phys. State	RT, TT, SR, CF, ET, NT, CS
Ord_PhySuffix	Ordering Phys. Suffix	RT, TT, SR, CF, ET, NT, CS
Ord_PhyZip	Ordering Phys. Postal Code	RT, TT, SR, CF, ET, NT, CS
Non-ProprietaryName	Non-Proprietary Name	RT, TT, SF, CF
AmountUsed	Amount Used	RT, TT, SF, CF
Route	Route	RT, TT, SF, CF
Supv_PhyAddress1	Supervising phys. Street Adrs. 1	RT, TT, SF, CF, ET, NT, CS
Supv_PhyAddress2	Supervising phys. Street Adrs. 2	RT, TT, SF, CF, ET, NT, CS
Supv_PhyCity	Supervising phys. City	RT, TT, SF, CF, ET, NT, CS
Supv_PhyFirstName	Supervising phys. First Name	RT, TT, SF, CF, ET, NT, CS
Supv_PhyFullName	Supervising phys. Full Name	RT, TT, SF, CF, ET, NT, CS
Supv_PhyLastName	Supervising phys. Last Name	RT, TT, SF, CF, ET, NT, CS
Supv_PhyMiddleName	Supervising phys. Middle Name	RT, TT, SF, CF, ET, NT, CS
Supv_PhyState	Supervising phys. State	RT, TT, SF, CF, ET, NT, CS
Supv_PhySuffix	Supervising phys. Suffix	RT, TT, SF, CF, ET, NT, CS
Supv_PhyZip	Supervising phys. ZIP	RT, TT, SF, CF, ET, NT, CS
Canada only:	Health Card Number	RT, SF, CF, ET, NT

User rights

The following table describes the rights that administrator can assign to a user role. All of these rights may not be available depending on your product and configuration.

Note: Shaded rows indicate that the right is not currently in use.

Category	Right	Description
Billing/ Setup	Billing Codes	Allows creating and editing billing codes
	Billing Class	Allows creating and editing billing classes
	Claim Status	Allows creating and editing claim statuses

Category	Right	Description
	CAS Group Code	Allows creating and editing CAS group codes
	Provider ID Code Qualifier	Allows mapping provider ID code qualifiers to billing providers
	Payment Reason	Allows editing payment reasons such as co-pay, deductible, and payment plan
	CAS Reason Code	Allows creating and editing CAS reason codes
	Status Color Code	Allows adding and editing colors for payment, claim, and billed statuses
	Supporting Text Templates	Allows mapping of preconfigured supporting text to specific service codes.
	Insurance EDI Mapping	Allows insurance mapping, such as billing method and clearinghouse
	Adjustment Codes	Allows adding and editing adjustment codes
	Billing Provider	Allows adding and editing billing providers
	Billing Messages	Allows editing billing messages that print on statements
	Billing Validation	Allows selecting the data that are validated during claim validation
	Printer Templates	Allows editing some settings in printer templates such as page margins
	EDI Request Templates	Allows creating and editing EDI request templates.
	Clearing House	Allows entering clearinghouse information
	Autobilling	Allows creating auto-billing profiles for automatic generation of claims
	CollectionsProcess	Allows configuring the automatic claim collections process
	Delay Reasons	Allows adding, editing, and deleting reasons for delayed payment
Billing	Claims	Allows working with claims
	Edit Claim	Allows opening the edit claim screen
	Claim Inquiry	Allows access to patient claim information
	All Insurances	All insurances
	Coordination of Benefits	Allows coordinating benefits
	Explanation of Benefits	Allows access to billing ERA
	ERA Inbox	Allows opening the ERA inbox
	EOB Claims Process	Allows opening the EOB tab, and uploading and processing electronic payment files
	File Insurance	Allows managing billing claims

Category	Right	Description
	Patient Claim	Allows viewing a patient's claim history within Billing, and makes available the Inquiry buttons on the Patient Information tab in the patient chart and Edit Study screen
	Patient Report	Allows opening patient reports and documents within Billing
	Payments	Allows viewing and processing payments
	Apply Payments	Allows applying payments to claims
	Refund	Allows processing refunds
	Back to Ready to Validate	Allows changing claim status to Ready to Validate
	Claim Validate	Allows validating claims
	Create/Split Claim	Allows splitting a claim with more than one charge
	Delete Payment	Allows deleting payment records
	Delete Claim	Allows deleting claims
	File Management	Allows opening the file management screen in Canadian versions
	Edit Claim Status	Allows manually changing claim statuses
	Invoice Activity Statement	Allows viewing and printing the activity statement
	Query Claim	Allows querying of claims.
	Adjust to Paid in Full	Adds a shortcut menu command to pay a claim in full.
	Census	Allows viewing the Census screen.
Billing/ Report		All rights in this category allow creating the corresponding report.
	Aged AR Summary	
	Aged AR Detail	
	Charges	
	Claim Activity	
	Claim Transaction	
	Collections	
	Credit Balance Encounters	
	Diagnosis Count	
	Modality Summary	
	Monthly Recap	
	Patient Statement	
	Payer Mix	

Category	Right	Description
	Payment	
	Claim Inquiry	
	Patients By Insurance	
	Payments by Insurance Company	
	Procedure Analysis by Insurance	
	Procedure Count	
	Reading Provider Fees	
	Referring Provider Count	
	Referring Provider Summary	
	Transaction Summary	
	Patient Activity Statement	
	Payments Realization Rate Analysis	
	Send claims to collections	Allows using automatic collections to change claim statuses to "Claim in Collection," and make other changes.
Billing/Log	Billing User Log	Allows viewing the billing user log
	Bulling Audit Log	Allows viewing the billing audit log
Chat	Personal Chat Allowed	Allows using Exa Chat to send and receive messages with individual users (private chat)
	Group Chats Management	Allows creating and managing group chat rooms
Dashboard	Dashboard	Allows opening the dashboard
Dictation	Approve	Allows approving a dictated study report
	Approve (Addendum)	Allows approving an addendum (Edit or Addition) on a dictated study report, and changing a study's status from Approved to Approved-Coded.
	Dictation	Allows creating a dictated addendum (Edit or Addition) on an approved study report
	Dictation (Addendum)	Allows creating a dictated report
	Dictation (Delete)	Allows deleting a dictated report
	Submit For Review	Allows submitting an addendum for review on a dictated report
	Submit For Review (Addendum)	Allows submitting a dictated report for review
	Transcription (Addendum)	Allows creating an addendum by using Web Trans
	Link Reports	Allows linking reports (and studies)

Category	Right	Description
	Unlink Reports	Allows unlinking reports (and studies)
Dispatching Dashboard	Dispatching Dashboard	Allows users of Mobile RAD to open the dispatching dashboard
General	AE Scripts	Allows managing AE scripts to receive, send, or print studies
	API Users	Allows adding and editing API users and rights
	Application Entities	Allows configuring application entities (AE).
	Assign Study to Users	Allows assigning studies to specific users from the worklist
	Company	Allows editing general settings including those related to: company contact and billing, apps, MRN, AE filters, LDAP, Rcopia, and HL7
	File Stores	Allows selecting folders to store various data (mainly images) on the server
	Notification	Allows adding notifications that appear on the dashboard
	Tasks	Allows entering tasks that appear on the My Tasks gadget of the dashboard
HL7	HL7 Global Config	Allows viewing global HL7 configurations
	HL7 Queue	Allows viewing the HL7 Outbound (Sender) log
	HL7 Receiver Log	Allows viewing the HL7 Inbound (Receiver) log
Home	Allow Reset Approved studies	Allows resetting approved studies to Scheduled status
	Allow Reset of Canceled and No Show Studies	Allows resetting studies from Canceled or No Show status to Scheduled status
	Appointment Confirmation	Allows viewing the Appointment Confirmation screen
	Can Edit Public Filter	Allows editing public filters
	Can Edit Public Template	Allows editing public templates
	Cancel Reasons	Allows canceling appointments
	CD Burn	Allows burning DICOM images to a CD or external device
	DICOM View	Allows switching between DICOM preview or priors on the worklist
	DICOM Viewer	Allows opening images on the Exa PACS/RIS viewer
	External App Icon	Allows opening third party applications from the worklist
	Image Preview	Allows previewing images on the worklist
	Import Images	Allows importing images by using the PACS Actions menu
	Import Images from Portal	Allows importing images from the provider or attorney portal into Exa PACS/RIS

Category	Right	Description
	Link DICOM Study	Allows linking a DICOM study to another study
	Marketing Rep Dashboard	Allows opening the Marketing Representative dashboard
	Merge Study	Allows merging and splitting DICOM studies and RIS orders
	Technologist	Allows associating a technologist to an order
	Opal Viewer	Allows viewing studies with the Exa PACS/RIS viewer
	Order additional	Allows opening the Additional Information tab within the Edit Study screen
	Order ICD	Allows adding ICD codes to an order
	Order Referring Provider	Allows opening the Referring Provider tab within the Edit Study screen
	Order Studies	Allows opening the Exam Information tab within the Edit Study screen
	QC Delete	Allows deleting DICOM studies within the QC tab
	QC Edit	Allows editing some information in a DICOM study within the QC tab
	QC Move to Studies	Allows manually moving a DICOM study from the QC tab to the All Studies tab
	QC Reconciliation	Allows manually matching or reconciling a DICOM study to a RIS order
	Worklist Menu	Allows opening the worklist shortcut menu
	Send Fax	Allows sending approved reports and study forms by fax
	Send Studies	Allows sending a DICOM study to another AE from the worklist
	Show Priors	Allows viewing a patients' priors in a separate study filter on the worklist
	Studies	Allows accessing Exa PACS/RIS
	Study Delete	Allows deleting studies from a patient chart, and to delete selected images from series.
	Study Purge	Allows permanently deleting a study
	Study Edit	Allows opening the Edit Study screen
	Study Forms	Allows opening the Study Forms tab within the Edit Study screen
	Change Status	Allows changing the status of a study
Log	API Log	Allows viewing the API log, which tracks API activity
	Audit Log	Allows viewing the Audit log, which tracks system-wide activity
	Rcopia Log	Allows viewing the Rcopia log, which shows Rcopia activity

Category	Right	Description
	Eligibility Log	Allows viewing the Eligibility log
	User Log	Allows viewing the User log, which tracks system-wide user activity
Patient	Activity Log	Allows viewing the Activity log within the patient chart and Edit Study screen
	Advanced Search	Allows expanded searching of patients by age, allergies, lab results, problems, sex, medications, vital signs, smoking status, and race/ethnicity
	Allergies	Allows viewing the Allergies tab in the Edit Study screen, and editing patient allergies
	Allergies (Read only)	Allows viewing the Allergies tab in the Edit Study screen (only).
	Break the Glass	Allows use of the Break the Glass function to access confidential records.
	Eligibility	Allows using third-party services to request confirmation of insurance eligibility
	Eligibility (Read only)	Allows viewing eligibility requests/results if previously requested
	Clinical Summary Transmit	Allows creating, viewing, and transmitting the Clinical Visit Summary/CCD file
	Export CCD	Allows encrypting and downloading of patient charts for physician referrals
	Family Health History	Allows completing the Family Health History form for a patient's first-degree relatives
	Film Tracking	Allows check-out and tracking for 'hard' films from the library
	Immunization	Allows adding and editing patient immunization records
	Immunization (Read Only)	Allows viewing patient immunization records
	Lab Orders	Allows adding, submitting, editing, and deleting laboratory tests and results records
	Lab Orders (Read Only)	Allows viewing laboratory tests and results records
	Medications	Allows adding, editing, and deleting prescribed medications, supplements, and OTC products through Rcopia
	Medications (Read Only)	Allows viewing prescribed medications, supplements, and OTC products through Rcopia
	Merge Patients	Allows merging of patient charts
	Outside Referrals	Allows importing CCD/CCR files into the patient chart from the referring provider
	Patient Alerts	Allows selecting alerts or adding custom alerts and notes to a patient chart

Category	Right	Description
	Patient Arrival Worklist	Allows viewing the patient arrival worklist when patients use the kiosk to check in
	Patient Clinical Rules	Allows creating clinical support rules
	Patient Documents	Allows uploading and scanning documents to a study or patient
	Patient Encounter	Allows viewing fees associated with CPT codes and associated fees or charges
	Patient Guarantor	Allows adding a guarantor to a patient's insurance
	Patient Information	Allows opening the Patient Information tab in the patient chart and Edit Study screen
	Patient Insurance	Allows opening the Insurance tab in the patient chart and Edit Study screen
	Patient Messages	Allows managing the list of messages sent from a patient send from the patient portal
	Patient Prescriptions	Allows submitting prescriptions to a pharmacy, formulary checking, and adding, editing, and deleting prescribed medications through Rcopia
	Patient Prescriptions (Read Only)	Allows viewing of prescribed medications through Rcopia
	Patient Search	Allows searching for patients from the Patient tab in the patient chart
	Patient Studies	Allows opening the Studies tab within the patient chart and Edit Study screen
	Patient Orders	Allows viewing the Orders tab within the patient chart
	Payment History	Allows opening the Payment History tab in the patient chart
	Pending Follow-ups	Allows viewing follow-up appointments
	Pending Referrals	Allows viewing referrals
	Problems	Allows editing in the Problems tab in the Edit Study screen (to add and edit diagnosis codes)
	Problems (Read Only)	Allows viewing the Problems tab in the Edit Study screen
	To Be Reviewed	Allows opening the To Be Reviewed tab in the patient chart.
	Transition of Care	Allows exporting a CCD file and sending it to a referring physician via email
	Vital Sign (read Only)	Allows viewing a patient's vital signs on the Edit Study screen
	Vital Signs	Allows adding and editing a patient's vital signs on the Edit Study screen
	Patient Claim Inquiry	Allows viewing patient claim information
	Patient Claim Inquiry (Read Only)	Allows viewing patient claim information

Category	Right	Description
	VIP	Allows designating patients as VIPs
Peer Review	Peer Review Allowance	Allows managing automatic peer review assignments
	Peer Review Manual Appointment	Allows manually assigning peer reviews from the worklist
	Peer Review Operational	Allows generating the peer review operational report
	Portal Reg Users	Portal Registered Users
Reports		All rights in this category allow creating the corresponding report
	Cancellation Reason	
	My Reports	
	Completed Schedules	
	Date of Service Payment Summary	
	Export Completed Studies	
	Export Peer Review	
	Insurance Balance Aging	
	Marketing Rep Activities	
	Monthly/Daily Study Goals	
	Patients Worksheet	
	Referrals Variance	
	Referring Physician Study Count	
	Report Filter	
	Report Provider	
	Relative Value Units	
	Scheduler Activity	
	Studies Breakdown	
	Studies by Modality	
	Studies by Modality Room	
	Modality Breakdown	
	Transcription Study Count	
	Turnaround Time (TAT) – Calculated	
	Fees by Facility and Modality	

Category	Right	Description
	Fees by Radiologist and Modality	
	Unfinished Studies	
	Unsigned Orders	
	STAT Tracking	
	Insurance vs LOP	
	Marketing Report Export	
	Technologist Productivity	
	Audit Trail	
Schedule	Add Study	Allows creating new studies, such as in the Edit Study screen.
	Allow Double Booking	Allows double-booking an appointment if available for the facility
	Allow to edit Accession	Allows editing study accession numbers
	Approved Report	Allows viewing approved radiology reports
	Assign Vehicle	Allows assigning a vehicle to a study for Mobile RAD
	Available Slots	Allows using the Find/Available Slots screens
	Billing	Allows viewing information from the Edit Study screen
	Charge and Payments	Allows opening the Charges and Payments tab within the Edit Study screen
	TOS Payments	Allows opening the Payments area of the program
	Patient Payment History	Allows viewing patient payment history and printing payment receipts
	Chief Complaints	Allows adding and editing chief complaints in the patient chart
	Chief Complaints (Read Only)	Allows viewing chief complaints in the patient chart
	Clinical Overview	Allows opening the patients clinical overview
	DICOM Edit	Allows editing DICOM information within the QC and Exam Information tabs within the Edit Study screen
	Education Material	Allows opening the Educational Material tab in the Edit Study screen
	Follow Ups	Allows scheduling follow-up appointments in the Follow Up tab in the Edit Study screen
	Follow Ups (Read Only)	Allows viewing follow-up appointments on the Follow Up tab in the Edit Study screen
	Insurance Authorization	Allows adding and editing insurance authorizations for studies
	Medical History	Allows adding, editing, and updating patient medical histories

Category	Right	Description
	Medical History (Read Only)	Allows viewing patient medical histories
	New Order	Allows creating new orders
	Notes	Allows entering study notes, patient notes, schedule notes, reasons for studies, and call log entries
	Notes (Read Only)	Allows viewing study notes, patient notes, schedule notes, reasons for studies, and call log entries
	Order Forms	Allows adding custom forms to orders from the Custom Forms tab in the Edit Study screen
	Order Forms (Read Only)	Allows viewing custom forms added to a study from the Custom Forms tab in the Edit Study screen
	Order Images	Allows ordering images or reports from the Studies tab in the patient chart
	Order Summary	Allow opening the Summary tab in the Edit Study screen
	Ordering Physician Search	Allows using the magnifying glass to search the Provider Setup screen and NPPES website for an ordering physician to add to an order
	Quick Block	Allows creating a quick block (schedule block) from the schedule book
	Patient Demographics	Allows editing information in the Patient Information tab in the patient chart and Edit Study screen
	Priority	Allows assigning priority to the study from the worklist and in the Additional Information tab within the Edit Study screen
	Recent Schedules	Allows scheduling/copying appointments in the Recent Schedules screen if available for the facility
	Recent Schedules (Read Only)	Allows viewing appointments in the Recent Schedules screen if available for the facility
	Reference Document	Allows assigning a reference document to an order and providing it to the patient
	Referrals	Allows entering information for referrals to another provider
	Schedule Book	Allows viewing the schedule book
	Schedule in Non-working Time Slot	Allows scheduling appointments in non-working timeslots from the schedule book
	Stat	Allows setting STAT levels for a study or order from the worklist
	Status Validation	Allows validating a study in the Validation screen when validation rules are set within the Study Status workflow
	Study CPT Update	Allows updating the CPT of a study
	Study Education Material	Allows opening the Educational Material tab in the Edit Study screen

Category	Right	Description
	Teaching Study	Allows creating a DICOM teaching study from the worklist and within the viewer
	Transcription	Allows editing report transcriptions
	ExaTrans2 Multipanel	Allows using Exa Trans2 in the multipanel, and using the multipanel without Exa Trans2.
	Vehicle Assignments	Allows viewing the list of scheduled/dispatched vehicles in using Mobile RAD
Setup	Appointment Types	Allows adding, editing, and deleting appointment types.
	Cognitive Status	Allows adding, editing, and deleting cognitive statuses.
	CPT	Allows adding, editing, and deleting CPT codes
	Custom Forms	Allows adding, editing, and deleting custom forms, and attaching them to studies
	DB Totals	Allows using the DB Totals function
	DICOM Receiver Rule	Allows creating and managing DICOM receiver rules
	DM List	Allows viewing the DM Manager and list of DMs
	DM New	Allows creating a new view in the DM Manager
	EDI Translations	Allows creating and managing EDI translations
	Editor Template	Allows creating, editing, and deleting Editor templates
	EDI Rule	Allows creating and managing EDI rules
	Email Template	Allows creating and assigning email templates for the Confirmation screen
	Notification Templates	Allows creating and assigning templates sent to referring physicians
	Cover Sheets	Allows creating and assigning cover sheets for approved reports
	Exam Authorization	Allows opening the Exam Authorization tab
	Export Summary	Allows exporting summary totals
	Facility	Allows adding, editing, and deactivating facilities
	Market	Allows configuring regional markets
	Fee Schedule	Allows creating and editing billing fee schedules and contracts
	Facility Fee Schedule	Allows creating a fee schedule based on facility and modality for the Fees by Facility and Modality report
	Provider Pay Schedule	Allows creating a pay schedule for radiologists, which is used in the Fees by Radiologist and Modality report
	Provider Location Information	Allows managing provider location information

Category	Right	Description
	Form Builder	Allows creating and editing electronic study forms, and managing their attachment
	Functional Status	Allows adding, editing, and deleting functional statuses
	Gadgets	Allows adding, arranging, and viewing gadgets within the user's dashboard
	Hanging Protocol Groups	Allows editing DM (hanging protocol) settings for user groups, modalities, and other categories
	SR Report Queue	Allows opening the Structured Report Queue tab, which shows the status of outbound DICOM SRs
	Issuers	Allows adding and editing issuers of patient IDs
	ICD	Allows adding, reloading, and importing ICD, SNOWMED, and LOINC code files
	Insurance Provider	Allows adding, editing, and deleting insurance providers and assigning them to a facility
	Matching Rules	Allows creating rules for matching DICOM studies
	Macro Notes	Allows configuring macro notes
	Modality	Allows adding, editing, and reordering modality priority
	Modality Room	Allows adding and editing modality rooms
	Monthly Goals	Allows creating and editing monthly study count goals by modality for the Monthly Goals operational report
	No Shows	Allows setting an appointment to a no-show status from the worklist and schedule book
	Ordering Facility	Allows adding and editing ordering facilities
	Patient Portal Log	Allows viewing Patient Portal activity
	POS Map	Allows creating and editing place of service mappings for POS codes, addresses, and mobile dispatching addresses
	Billing Rules	Allows adding, editing, and deleting billing rules for ordering facilities.
	Provider	Allows adding, editing, and importing resources such as referring providers, reading providers, and technologists
	Provider Group	Allows adding and editing groups of providers
	Provider Organizations	Allows adding and editing provider organizations
	Queue	Allows viewing the status of outbound DICOM studies
	Rcopia Transactions	Allows viewing Rcopia transactions
	Report Template	Allows user to create and edit report headers for approved reports within the Report Template tab

Category	Right	Description
	Report Queue	Allows resending and viewing the status of outbound emails and faxes such as approved reports, notifications, scanned documents, and study forms
	SR Report Queue	Allows opening the Structured Report Queue tab, which shows the status of outbound DICOM SRs
	Transcription Template	Allows adding, editing, deleting, and associating templates with facilities, modalities, and study descriptions used for transcription
	Routing Rules	Allows creating routing rules for DICOM studies to send, print, or perform an HL7 action
	Schedule Block	Allows adding and editing schedule blocks that display on the schedule book and Find Slots screens
	Schedule Filter	Allows adding and editing filters of the schedule book
	Schedule Rules	Allows adding and editing individual rules within a schedule template
	Allow Editing of Display Block Colors	Allows editing the color of blocks on the schedule book
	Schedule Templates	Allows adding and editing scheduling templates
	Study Filter	Allows adding, editing, and deleting worklist study filters
	Update Global Study Filters	Allows updating global and shared worklist filters
	Study Flag	Allows adding and editing study flags
	Study Status	Allows adding study statuses and associating them with study flows
	Study Status - Read Only	Allows opening the Study Status tab to view study statuses and flows
	Templates	Allows adding and editing structured reporting templates
	Auto Suggestions	Allows adding and editing auto suggestions for structured reporting
	Keywords	Allows adding and editing keywords used for structured reporting
	Image Hotspots	Allows navigating through a cardiac US cine series
	SR Mapping	Allows adding and editing mappings of DICOM properties to structured reports
	Update URLs	Allows adding and updating Rcopia URLs
	Users Online	Allows viewing which users are currently logged on, and terminating connections
	Vaccines	Allows adding, editing, and marking the inactive vaccines list
	Vehicle Log	Allows opening the Vehicle Log tab in Log Setup

Category	Right	Description
	Vehicle Registration	Allows adding and managing available vehicles to dispatch in Mobile RAD
	Vehicle Tracking	Allows viewing the location of a vehicle
	Locked Slots	Allows locking and unlocking slots (scheduling time ranges) for scheduling
	Insurance Provider Payer Type	Allows creating and editing payer type groups or categories that can be associated to insurance companies
	Provider Level Codes	Allows creating and editing provider level codes and percentages to associate with CPT codes, which are used in the Reading Provider Fees report
	Portal Configurations (Read Only)	Allows viewing portal configuration settings.
	Portal Configurations	Allows configuring links to appear on the patient, provider, and attorney portals.
	NDC Codes	Allows configuring NDCs.
User Mgmt.	AD Groups	Allows adding, editing, or deleting AD groups.
	AD Users	Allows adding, editing, or deleting AD users.
	User	Allows managing individual user access to the system
	User Assigned Patients	Allows viewing the list of patients who are currently assigned to specific users
	User Assigned Studies	Allows viewing the list of studies that are currently assigned to specific users
	User Group	Allows creating, managing, and assigning document types and user roles to user groups
	User Role	Allows creating and managing user rights
	Copy Profile Settings	Allows copying profile settings from one user to another
	External Apps	Allows configuring Exa PACS/RIS to work with external applications
Viewer Options	Cardiogram Settings	Allows configuring cardiogram settings in Viewer Settings
	External Tools	Allows configuring options in the External Tools tab in Viewer Settings
	General Information	Allows configuring options in the General tab of Viewer Settings
	Interface Settings	Allows configuring options in the Interface tab of Viewer Settings
	Mammography Options	Allows configuring options in the Mammography tab of Viewer Settings
	Modality Options	Allows configuring options in the Interface tab of Viewer Settings

Category	Right	Description
	Overlay Settings	Allows configuring options in the Overlays tab of Viewer Settings
Tools Settings	Allows configure options in the Tools tab of Viewer Settings	

Description of reports

The following table lists all of the reports available on the Exa platform. Some reports may not be available to you depending on your product and configuration.

Category	Report	Description
Billing/Reports	Aged AR Detail	AR aging by facility, responsible party, and payer by cutoff date and selected facilities, in detail
	Aged AR Summary	AR aging by facility, responsible party, and payer by cutoff date and selected facilities
	Charges	Charges for reconciling and reviewing the charges populated for any date of service
	Claim Activity	Detailed claim activity history by claim date range
	Claim Inquiry	All submitted claims, and order payments and balances
	Claim Transaction	All claims, and claim payments and balances
	Collections	Claims in the Collections Review status
	Credit Balance Encounters	Credit balance encounters
	Diagnosis Count	Aggregate diagnosis count by ICD code and facility, by order date range
	Modality Summary	Modality summary
	Monthly Recap	Monthly recap
	Patient Statement	Patient statement
	Patients by Insurance	Patients seen within a date range by insurance
	Payer Mix	Payer mix
	Payments	Totals by payment and payer type, and how each charge line item is applied by accounting date range
	Payments by Insurance Company	Calculated payments to each insurance company, by patient
	Payments Realization Rate Analysis	Accounts with a zero balance
	Procedure Analysis by Insurance	Procedures by insurance
	Procedure Count	Number of procedures approved by radiologist fee schedule
	Reading Provider Fees	Reading provider fees

Category	Report	Description
	Referring Provider Count	Referring provider count
	Referring Provider Summary	Referring doctor summary information
	Transaction Summary	Transaction summary
Reports - Schedule & Reports	Daily Schedules	Information on studies performed by day
	Export Completed Studies	CSV export of patient, study, and insurance details for completed or approved studies
	Marketing Rep Activities	Notes and activities that marketing representatives enter about referring physicians
	Unsigned Orders	not signed by referring physician. No longer used.
Operations	Cancellation Reason	Statistics on canceled studies with cancellation reason as a key filtering criterion.
	Scheduler Activity	Number of orders (based on the current order status) by time of day that a user ordered, scheduled, rescheduled, or canceled, by facility and date range
	Unfinished Studies	not having selected study statuses, by facility and date range
	Referrals Variance	Number of studies referred by referring physicians in the past 13 months, by facility, modality, and month
	Studies Breakdown	Number of studies by facility, modality, study date, and study status
	Studies by Modality	Aggregate study count by facility, modality, study date, and study status
	Studies by Modality Room	Aggregate study count by facility and modality room
	Modality Breakdown	Number of studies performed based on CPT or appointment type, by modality
	Technologist Productivity	Number of studies performed per technologist by facility, modality, appointment type, and procedure code
	Peer Review Operational	Progress and results of peer reviews performed
	Fees by Radiologist and Modality	Summary and breakdown of fees for a modality, by radiologist
	Turnaround Time (TAT) - Calculated	Shows turnaround time (TAT) calculated based on selected date, type, and study's approved date, by date range, facilities, and/or ordering facilities
	Relative Value Units	CPT and RVU totals for reports signed off, by date range
	Referring Physician Study Count	Number of studies referred by referring physicians by date range
	Completed Schedules	Shows information about completed studies

Category	Report	Description
	Monthly/Daily Study Goals	Number of studies performed in the month compared to the goal set in Monthly Goals Setup
	STAT Tracking	Number of studies marked as STAT
	Transcription Study Count	Aggregate study count of reports transcribed by transcriptionists, by facility, modality, and study date
	Insurance vs LOP	Aggregate study count by modality for insurance paid vs letter of protection/personal injury studies
	Marketing Rep Export	Study information, bill fees, and allowed amounts for referring physicians and marketing reps
	Audit Trail	Break the glass Audit Trail report
	Same Last Name User Audit	Alberta only.
Patients	Patients Worksheet	Patient and study face sheets in form
My Reports	My Reports	Allows opening the My Reports tab to view operational reports

Settings in the claim entry screen

The following table describes the settings shown in the Claim Creation screen.

Sub-Tab	Setting	Description
Charges	Date	Claim entry date, automatically assigned.
	Accession No.	Study accession number, automatically assigned.
	CPT Description	Type-to-search or select by CPT code.
	P1···P4	Diagnosis pointers link the diagnosis code to a CPT. Type the first diagnosis pointer in P1, and then add additional pointers as necessary.
	M1···M4	A modifier acts as a shortcut for making a pre-defined change to a claim. Type the first modifier in M1, and then add additional modifiers as necessary.
	Units	Type the number of procedures of the selected CPT that were performed.
	Bill Fee	The pre-configured charge for the procedure. Edit as needed.
	Total Bill Fee	The bill fee multiplied by the units.
	Allowed	The amount per-unit allowed by the insurance provider as configured in the billing fee schedule.
	Total Allowed	The total amount allowed by the insurance provider as configured in the allowed fee schedule.

Sub-Tab	Setting	Description
	Auth No.	Type the authorization number provided by the insurance provider.
	Exclude	Select to exclude the charge from an invoice.
Claims	Study Date	Automatically assigned.
	Claim Date	Claim entry date, automatically assigned.
	Facility Name	Select the name of the facility for scheduling purposes. It may or may not be the same as the service facility.
	Billing Provider	Select the provider issuing the invoice for the procedure.
	Rendering Provider	Select the provider who performed the procedure.
	Referring Provider	Select the referring provider.
	Service Facility Location/Ordering Facility	Select the facility where the procedure was performed. For mobile billing, select the ordering facility.
	POS Type	Select the place of service code for the service facility.
	Diagnosis Codes	Select and add all relevant ICD diagnosis codes.
Insurance (Primary, Secondary, and Tertiary)	Existing Insurance	Select a previously configured insurance profile, if any.
	Carrier	Select the insurance carrier. The carrier's address and other information is filled in automatically.
	Policy No.	Type the insurance policy number.
	Group No.	Type the insurance group number.
	Coverage Start/End Date	Type the start and end dates of coverage, from the patient's insurance profile.
	Relationship	Select the relationship of the patient to the policy holder.
	Subscriber Name	Type the name of the policy holder.
	DOB	Select the date of birth of the policy holder.
	Gender	Select the gender of the policy holder.
	Address…	Type or select the address, city, state, and postal code of the policy holder.
	Service Type	Available when not using ImagineSoftware. Select the service type to which the procedure belongs.
	Benefit On Date	Available when not using ImagineSoftware. Select the date for which you want to verify eligibility.
	Eligibility/Estimation	Select to verify eligibility and/or estimate coverage.

Sub-Tab	Setting	Description
Additional Info	Patient's Condition Is Related To:	Select a source of the condition if relevant for insurance purposes.
	Accident State	If you selected a source previously, type the state/province in which the accident (source) occurred.
	Date of illness Onset, Injury/Accident, or Pregnancy (LMP)	Select the date of onset, accident, or first symptoms. In the Other Date box, enter additional dates related to the accident or injury, if needed.
	Dates Patient Unable to Work at Current Occupation	Select a date range in the From Date and To Date boxes.
	Hospitalization Patient Related to Current Services	Select a date range in which the patient was hospitalized, if relevant.
	Claim Notes	Enter notes for the claim. How different from Billing notes.
	Outside Lab	Select if entering a claim for a lab external to the current facility.
	Original Ref	The original reference number returned by Medicaid or Medicare if they are the primary payer. This number can be submitted to a secondary payer.
	Claim Authorization No.	Type the claim authorization number.
	Frequency	If you must submit a corrected claim to the insurance provider, use this option to code it as such.
Billing Summary	[Amounts]	Totals for fees charged, payments made, adjustments, claim balance, allowed amounts, other payments, and refunds.
	Claim Status	Select a claim status. You can use the status selected here for sorting in the Claims screen.
	Billing Notes	Type notes to appear in the Notes column of the Claims screen. This is different from Claim notes, which are submitted with the claim.
	Billing Codes	Select a pre-configured billing code to flag claims for your own specific purposes.
	Billing Class	Select a pre-configured billing class to flag claims for your own specific purposes.
	Responsible	Select the party responsible for payment. For mobile billing this is especially useful to select if the ordering facility and service location are different.
Payments	Accounting Date	The entry date of the payment, assigned automatically.
	Payer Name	Select the payer.
	Pymt. Mode	Select the type of payment.

Sub-Tab	Setting	Description
	Check/Card No.	If the payment mode is "Check," type the check number.
	Apply	Select to apply the payment to the current claim.
	This Pay.	A reference value. Select the Apply button to enter payment information.
	This Adj.	A reference value. Select the Apply button to enter an adjustment amount.
	Payment ID	Automatically assigned serial number for the payment.
	NEW PAYMENT	Select to add a new payment.

See also:

[Add codes and other basic data](#)

[Configure procedure codes](#)

[Verify eligibility of preorders and studies with PokitDok](#)

[Verify eligibility and estimate coverage with ImagineSoftware](#)

Settings in insurance profile screens

The settings related to insurance profiles are slightly different depending on which of the following screens you use to view them.

1. Edit Study > Insurance Profile > Add
2. Edit Study > Insurance Profile > Edit
3. New Appointment > Insurance
4. Patient > Insurance Profiles > Add/Edit

The following table lists all settings that are available.

Setting	Description
Insurance Details	
Set As Default	Available only from the patient chart and when scheduling. Select to set the current policy as the default policy. Useful when the patient has multiple policies at the same level.
Level	Select whether the insurance is the patient's primary, secondary, or tertiary policy.
Inactive	Select to inactivate the policy while retaining its information. The Valid To Date is automatically set to the current date.
Existing Insurance	Not available on all insurance screens. If you entered insurance for the patient previously, you can select it here to automatically fill in other options.

Setting	Description
Insurance Carrier	Select the insurance carrier.
Insurance Provider Type	Entered automatically.
Policy Number	Type the patient's insurance policy number.
Group No.	Type the insurance group number of the policy.
Pre-Cert. Phone / Fax	Type contact information getting pre-certification.
Accept Assignment	Select if the insurance policy can accept assignments.
Address / Phone No.	The contact information of the insurance carrier.
Website	The website of the insurance carrier.
Group Name	Type the name of the insurance group.
Valid From/To Date	Select the period during which the current policy is effective.
Medicare Ins. Type	Select the Medicare insurance type of the policy.
Eligibility & Estimation	
Available after you save the profile.	
Contact Information	
Relationship	Select an emergency contact person for the patient.
Subscriber Name	Type the name of the insurance policy subscriber.
Sex	Select the sex of the subscriber.
Country	Select the country of the subscriber.
Address	Type the address of the subscriber.
DOB	Select the date of birth of the subscriber.
Employee Status	Select the employment status of the subscriber.
Work / Home Phone	Type the phone numbers of the subscriber.

Measurement accuracy limits

Measurement	Tools	Unit	Accuracy
Length	Ruler	mm	±2 mm
Angle	Protractor	°	±2°
Area	Calculated	cm^2	±5%
Ratio	Calculated		±2%

Viewer toolbar tools

The following table lists all toolbar tools that are available in the viewer. See corresponding topics for the functions of the tools.

Tool	Name	Function
	3D Ray	Draws a 3D ray on an image. Select to place a vertex on one plane, and the ray extends through the image on all planes.
	3D Cursor	Displays a cursor in other open planes that follows the motion of the cursor in the active plane.
	3D Angle	Click three points to create the angle. The angle appears at the same coordinates on all series with the same frame of reference.
	3D Measure	Click two points (or drag and click). The measurement appears at the same coordinates on all series with the same frame of reference.
	3D Point	Click to add the point. The point appears at the same coordinates on all series with the same frame of reference.
	3D ROI	Available in a future release.
	AR	Plots points to represent angular rotation.
	Actual Image Size	Displays images in their real-life anatomical dimensions.
	Angle Marker	Measures and annotates an angle.
	Annotate Series	Select this tool, then select an annotation tool and annotate the current image to add the same annotation to all images in the series. Does not support 3D annotations.
	Annotate Tagged Images	
	Arrow	Draws an arrow.
	Auto W/L	Automatically optimizes the W/L.
	Bone Enhance	Controls contrast between bone and other tissues.
	CAD	Displays CAD findings, with a button menu for selecting specific findings. Available when CAD findings are present in the opened study.
	Center Point	Click two points. The center point between them is indicated.
	Change Slice Thickness	Sets the slice thickness.
	Overlays	Shows or hides overlays. See also "Toggle DICOM Overlays."
	Circle	Draws a circle.
	CLAHE	Contrast limited adaptive histogram equalization. Turns CLAHE mode on/off. Improves image contrast.

Tool	Name	Function
	Close Series	Keyboard shortcut for the Close Series option in the image cell's upper-right shortcut menu.
	Close Study	Keyboard shortcut for Partial Close.
	Cobb Angle	Measures a Cobb angle.
	Context Menu	Displays the view shortcut.
	Context Tool	Displays a linked image at the same X, Y, Z angle as the current image.
	CT Ratio	Displays the angle between two lines. Use to calculate the angle between vertebra.
	Curve	Click two points to estimate curvature from the center of the end vertebrae to the center of the apical vertebrae.
	Cutlines	Shows/hides cutlines, if present.
	Default	Selects the standard pointer tool.
	Delete All Image Annotations	Deletes all annotations.
	Delete Series Annotations	Deletes all annotations in the current series. Available only in shortcut menu.
	Delete All Study Annotations	Deletes all annotations in the current study. Available only in shortcut menu.
	Delete Series	Available with Study Delete rights. Select to delete the current series. Available only in shortcut menu.
	Delete Image	Available with Study Delete rights. Select to delete a single image from a series. Available only in shortcut menu.
	Deselect Last Annotation	Deselects the last-selected annotation. Available only in shortcut menu.
	DICOM Print	Sends the image to a DICOM printer.
	DICOM Values	Displays a list of DICOM values associated with the current image.
	DM Settings	Opens display management settings.
	Dot	Draws a dot.

Tool	Name	Function
	Edit	Turns Edit mode on/off. Edit mode allows editing of previously set annotations.
	Ellipse	Draws an ellipse.
	External Tools	Reserved for opening an external application.
	Fit to Window	Restores original zoom level.
	Flip	Flips the image across its horizontal or vertical axis (hover over the tool to select between axes).
	Frames	Selects the number and arrangement of frames to display in the viewing area.
	FH Measure	Takes freehand measurements.
	Freehand ROI	Freehand-draws an ROI.
	Histogram	Displays a histogram.
	HO Angle	Draws a horizontal orthogonal angle.
	Horizontal Line	Draws a horizontal line.
	HU	Displays the pixel value in Hounsfield Units.
	Invert Color	Inverts black/white values.
	L Marker	Adds an L (left) marker.
	Line	Draws a straight line.
	Link Auto	Links two or more series that are open.
	Link Manual	Links user-specified frames between panels.
	M Compare	Measurement comparison. Click a first and second point, then double-click a third point. Displays the distances between the points.
	Magnifying Glass	Displays a movable zoomed area.
	Measure	Measures between two specified points.
	MPR	Multiplanar reformation. Select to generate and display coronal, sagittal, and MIP (maximum intensity projection) stacks from an axial image.
	Next Series	Keyboard shortcut for moving to the next available series in the study.
	One to One	Displays the image in its original DICOM size.
	Open Next Study	Keyboard shortcut for the Auto Open Next Study option.
	Pan	Drags the image any direction.

Tool	Name	Function
	Patient Documents	Opens an independent window for viewing, scanning in, and attaching patient documents. Turns blue when documents are available.
	Pencil	Freehand-draws a line.
	Play Frames	Starts cine looping.
	Previous Series	Keyboard shortcut for moving to the previous series in the study.
	Print Images	Sends images to a non-DICOM printer.
	Prior Reports	View reports. Turns blue when reports are available.
	R Marker	Adds an R (right) marker.
	Radial Angle	Draws a radial angle, which is the angle of the distal radial surface with respect to a line perpendicular to the shaft.
	Radial Length	Draws a radial length.
	Rectangle	Draws a rectangle.
	Reset Frame	Undoes all unsaved changes to the image within the active viewing cell.
	Reset Linked Series	Removes any linkages.
	Reset Stack	Restore images in a stack to their last-saved ordering.
	Reset Viewer	Reverts non-permanent modifications to images in the viewer (zoom, rotation, Window/Level etc.) to their original state.
	ROI	Draws an ellipse to specify an ROI.
	Rotate Right	Rotates the image 90 degrees clockwise. Hover over the rotate button to reveal the rotate left button.
	Rotate Left	Rotates the image 90 degrees counterclockwise. Hover over the rotate button to reveal the rotate left button.
	Save Annotations	Saves the current state of annotations.
	Scroll/Span Images	Switches between moving and spanning.
	Set Key Image	Sets the current image as a key image.
	Settings	Displays the settings dialog.
	Show Prior List	Opens a dialog with a list of priors that you can select to display in the prior bar.
	Shutter Box	Adds an rectangular shutter.

Tool	Name	Function
	Shutter Ellipse	Draws an elliptical shutter.
	Shutter Freehand	Draws a freehand shutter.
	Spine Label	Adds vertebrae labels to spinal images.
	Spine Label Short	Adds vertebrae labels from common starting points.
	Spine Label 3D	Adds vertebrae labels on all series with the same frame of reference.
	Spine Label 3D Short	Adds vertebrae labels from common starting points on all series with the same frame of reference.
	Spine Label Quick 3D	Adds vertebrae labels to the same anatomy on all series with the same frame of reference.
	Spine Label Quick 3D Short	Adds vertebrae labels from common starting points to the same anatomy on all series with same frame of reference.
	Study Notes	Displays a dialog for reading/writing notes.
	Tag Images	Click to tag images in a series for batch annotation.
	Text	Draws text.
	Toggle Annotations	Shows/hides annotations.
	Toggle DICOM Overlays	Shows/hides DICOM overlays.
	Transcription	Opens an independent dictation and transcription window.
	Triangulation	Displays the context tool at the same coordinates on all series with the same frame of reference.
	Unq	Creates a teaching study.
	Vertical Line	Draws a vertical line.
	Window/Level	Adjusts the window/level.
	Zoom	Zooms the image in/out.

Details on Linked Reporting

Statuses of linked reports

- Any activity related to retaining the STAT level of a main study also applies to any of its linked studies.
- Any activity related to TAT recording (approval time) on a linked main study also applies to any of its linked studies.
- When you unlink an approved study, the study reverts to Unread status.

- When a main study changes to Approved status, so do its linked studies. In addition:
  - The order status of the linked studies changes to Check-Out.
  - The approving physician and/or pre-approving physician and approved date are added to the main and linked studies.
- When a main study changes to the following RAD-related statuses, so do its linked studies.

  Draft

  Transcribed

  Pre-Approved

  Dictated

  Approved-Coded (APCD status)

- When you add an addendum to a main study and the study status changes, its linked studies change to the same status, including the following.

  Draft - Addendum

  Transcribed - Addendum

  Approved - Addendum

  Dictated - Addendum

- When you right-click a main study and select Exam > Reset Transcription, the main study and linked studies are reset to Unread status.
- When you change a main study from Approved to an earlier status, you are prompted to unlink its linked studies. The main study changes to the selected status, and the linked studies change to Unread status. The report remains with the main study.
- When you change the status of a linked study, you are prompted to unlink it from the main studies. The linked study changes to the selected status, and no other studies are affected.
- When you reset the transcription of a main study, this resets the transcription for the main and linked studies, and sets their statuses to Unread. The studies remain linked.
- When you reset a main study with an approved report, you are prompted to unlink its linked studies. The main study changes to Scheduled status, and the previously linked studies change to Unread status.
- When you reset a linked study with an approved report, you are prompted to unlink it from the main study. The study changes to Scheduled status, and other studies are unaffected.

Considerations when transcribing linked studies

- When transcribing a main or linked study, the transcription lock is applied to the main study and all linked studies (in both Exa Trans and WebTrans). The following actions release the transcription lock on all studies:

  Close the transcription

Sign out of Exa PACS/RIS

Approve the study (E-sign and Approve, Approve and Next, or Pre-Approve)

Using Skip or Not Approve

- Immediately after you link studies, Exa Trans and WebTrans updated accordingly, even if a transcription is open. This includes updating of the report header with information from the linked studies.
- Exa Dictation audio files are available in the viewer and in WebTrans for all main and linked studies.

Which reports can you link?

When you select to link reports, Exa PACS/RIS automatically displays a list of reports that are available to link. These studies:

- Have a study date 3 days before or after the main study
- Have a status other than Ordered, Cancelled, Rescheduled, No Show, Read, or Approved
- Are from the same facility as the main study

Mammography views

In mammography there are two main view "families," **CC** and **MLO**. Each family contains multiple sub-views.

CC Family		MLO Family	
CC	• Craniocaudal • Superior – Inferior • C-Arm Angle: 0 degrees	MLO	• Mediolateral Oblique • Superomedial – Inferomedial • C-Arm Angle: 30–60 degrees
XCC	• Exaggerated Craniocaudal • Superior – Inferior • C-Arm Angle: 0 degrees	ML	• Mediolateral • Medial-Lateral • C-Arm Angle: 0 degrees
XCCL	• Exaggerated Craniocaudal Lateral • Superior – Inferior • C-Arm Angle: 0 degrees	LMO	• Lateromedial Oblique • Inferolateral – Superomedial Oblique • C-Arm Angle: 90–180 degrees
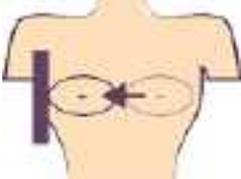
XCCM 	• Exaggerated Craniocaudal Medial • Superior – Inferior • C-Arm Angle: 0 degrees	LM 	• Lateromedial • Lateral-Medial • C-Arm Angle: 90 degrees
FB 	• From Below: Caudocranial • Inferior – Superior • C-Arm Angle: 0 degrees	SIO 	• Superolateral to Inferomedial Oblique • Superomedial – Inferomedial Oblique • C-Arm Angle: 1–90 degrees
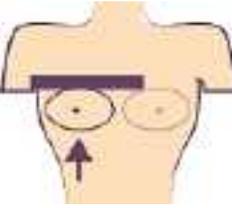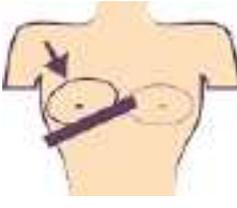
The following views are also available:

ID - Implant displacement
CV - Cleavage view
AT - Axillary tail
RL - Rolled lateral
RM - Rolled medial
RI - Rolled inferior
RS - Rolled superior
MAG - Magnification
S - Spot compression
TAN - Tangential

Install and configure tools

Add the Chrome extension

You can add an extension that configures your Chrome browser to work with multiple monitors. After adding the extension, you can configure display settings for the monitors you will use.

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, on the **TOOLS** submenu, select **CHROME EXTENSION**.

2. On the **Chrome_MultiMonitor** page, select **Add to Chrome**.

   Note: If the **'Add Chrome_Multimonitor?** message appears, select **Add extension**.

3. On the worklist, on the upper toolbar, select the settings ⚙ button, and then in the button shortcut menu, select **Viewer Settings**.

Monitors on System	3	↻ 👁

4. On the **GENERAL** tab, under **Display Settings:**

   a. Select the **Monitors on System** box

   b. Select the refresh ↻ button

   c. Select the identify 👁 button.

5. In the table of monitors:

   a. In the **Monitor** column, select all monitors that you want to use.

   b. In the **Current** column, select the monitor to hang current images and thumbnails.

   c. In the **Prior** column, select the monitor to hang prior images and thumbnails.

   Note: When using a hanging protocol, the Current and Prior settings in the table only control where the thumbnails hang.

6. Optional. In the **Orders** column, select an item to auto-open in the monitor.

7. Select **SAVE**.

Install Exa Trans

Radiologists who use Dragon for transcription must install Exa Trans.

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, on the **TOOLS** submenu, select **EXA TRANS**.

Note: Chrome downloads ExaTransSetup.msi in the lower left corner of the browser. Wait until the download is finished before continuing.

2. Select **ExaTransSetup.msi**. Windows installs Exa Trans.

   Note: If the Windows protected your PC dialog appears, select **More info**, and then select **Run anyway**.

Install Exa Dictation

Radiologists who use Dragon for dictation must install Exa Dictation.

Procedure

1. On the burger ☰ menu, on the **TOOLS** submenu, select **EXA DICTATION**.

   Note: Chrome downloads exa_dictation_setup.msi in the lower left corner of the browser. Wait until the download is finished before continuing.

2. Select **exa_dictation_setup.msi**.

3. Windows installs Exa Dictation.

   Note: If the Windows protected your PC dialog appears, select **More info**, and then select **Run anyway**.

Install OPAL tools

Many functions in Exa PACS/RIS require that you first install OPAL tools, such as CD import and CD burning.

Procedure

1. On the burger ☰ menu, on the **TOOLS** submenu, select **OPAL TOOLS**.

   Note: Chrome downloads OpalToolsSETUP.exe in the lower left corner of the browser. Wait until the download is finished before continuing.

2. Select **OpalToolsSETUP.exe**. Windows installs Opal tools.

   Note: If the **User Account Control** dialog appears, select **Yes**.

Install Exa Client Viewer

Exa PACS/RIS uses a server-side viewer, but you can also install the client-side Opal viewer.

Procedure

1. On the burger ☰ menu, on the **TOOLS** submenu, select **OPAL VIEWER**.

Note: Chrome downloads ExaClientViewerSETUP.exe in the lower left corner of the browser. Wait until the download is finished before continuing.

2. Select **ExaClientViewerSETUP.exe**. Windows installs the Opal viewer.

   Note: If the Windows protected your PC dialog appears, select **More info**, and then select **Run anyway**.

Install Exa Scans

With Exa Scans, you can scan paper and other media and attach the scans to studies as DICOM data.

Prerequisites: You must uninstall any existing version of Exa Scans before installing a new one.

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, on the **TOOLS** submenu, select **EXA SCANS**.

   Chrome downloads exa_docscan_setup.msi in the lower left corner of the browser. Wait until the download is complete before continuing.

2. Select **exa_docscan_setup.msi**.

   Note: If the Windows protected your PC dialog appears, select **More info**, and then select **Run anyway**.

3. In the **Welcome to the EXA Document Scan Setup Wizard**, select **Next**.

4. On the **End User License Agreement** page, select **I accept the terms in the License Agreement** checkbox, and then select **Next**.

5. On the **Destination Folder** page, select **Next**.

6. On the **Ready to Install EXA Document Scan** page, select **Install**.

7. If the **User Account Control** dialog appears, select **Yes**.

8. On the **Completed the EXA Document Scan Setup Wizard** page, select **Finish**.

Install Exa Launch

Exa Launch is a background application that prepares studies to be opened by third-party applications such as PenRad, PowerScribe 360, and MModal.

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, on the **TOOLS** submenu, select **EXA LAUNCH**.

   Chrome downloads ExaLaunchExtApp.msi in the lower left corner of the browser.

2. Wait until the download is complete, and then select **ExaLaunchExaApp.msi**.

3. If the UAC prompt appears, select **YES**.

Install Exa Tool

Exa Tool is a client side background application that facilitates opening of studies in OrthoView.

Prerequisite: Install local cache.

Procedure

1. On the burger ▤ menu, on the **TOOLS** submenu, select **EXA TOOL**.

2. Wait until the download is complete, and then run **exa_tool_setup.msi**.

3. Follow the on-screen prompts.

Install local cache

Local cache is a service that manages the copying of studies from the server to your local workstation for local use.

Configure the server

1. On the burger ▤ menu, select **SETUP**.

2. On the **OFFICE** menu, select **DICOM.**

3. On the **AE Title** tab, select **Add**, and then enter the following settings.

AE Type	Local Cache
AE Title (Remote)	[Name with no spaces]
Description	[Friendly descriptive name]

4. Select **SAVE**.

Configure the client

1. On the burger ▤ menu, on the **TOOLS** submenu, select **CLIENT SERVICE**.

   Result: Your browser downloads **exa_localcache_setup.msi** to its specified folder for downloads (usually the Windows Downloads folder).

2. Run **exa_localcache_setup.msi** and follow the prompts to install it.

3. In the Exa PACS/RIS worklist, select **Settings** ⚙ and select **Local Service Settings**.

4. In the **Rendering Options** screen, under **Prefetch Configuration**, enter the following settings.

Target	Shortcut
AE Title	Type the AE Title (Remote) name that you created in "Configure the server."
User Name	Type a user name with user rights to access studies on the server.
API URL	Type the address of the server hosting the studies that you want to locally cache.
Debug Mode	Select to add additional troubleshooting information to logs.
Disable Oncall	Leave cleared.

5. In the **Rendering Options** screen, under **General Configuration**, enter the following settings.

Target	Shortcut
API Timeout	Type the number of seconds to keep the connection to the server open.
Study Timeout	Type the number of hours to keep the imageservice/study thread open.
Prefetch Interval	Type the number of minutes keep to studies in the send queue.
Cache Timeout	Type the number of days to keep locally cached studies before purging.
Cache Directory	Type the fully qualified path to the local cache (default = `c:\viztek\exa\cache\localcache`)
Study Count	Type the maximum number of studies to keep in local cache.
RAM Usage	Type the maximum number of megabytes of RAM to use for prefetching and local rendering.
Max Threads	Type the number of simultaneous threads available to download studies.
Parallel Prefetch	Leave blank.
Cache Disk Usage	Move the slider to set the maximum percentage of hard disk to use for prefetching and local rendering.
Oncall Interval	Type the number of minutes to elapse before checking for new studies to prefetch.
Prefetch Priors	Select to include priors when prefetching.
Enable Skinline Detection	Select to make Skinline Detection available when viewing prefetched studies.

6. Select **ACTIVATE**.

Add a trusted IP or URL

If access to an external server is needed to access to third-party apps, add the IP address or URL of the external server to a list of trusted resources as follows.

Procedure

1. On the Exa PACS/RIS server, use File Explorer to go to the **...web\config** directory.

2. In **Notepad**, open the **express.js** file.

3. In the **app.use(helmet.contentSecurityPolicy({** area, under **scriptSrc**, add the IP or URL as in the example in the following figure.
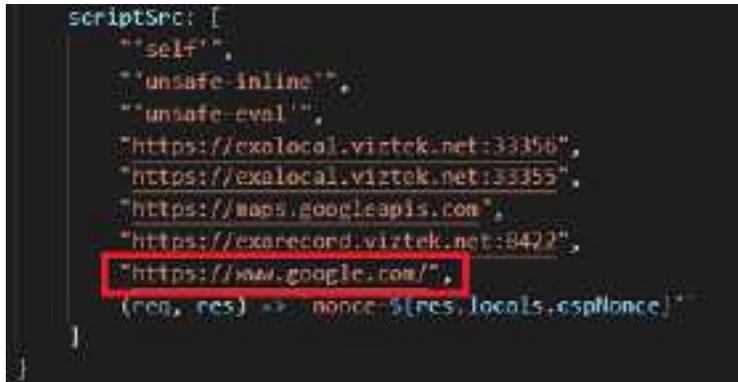
4. In **Control Panel**, select **Administrative Tools**, and then double-click **Services**.

5. In the list of services, select **exa_web**.

6. Use the toolbar to **stop**, and then **start** the service.

Location and contents of screens
Burger menu

The burger menu contains the following options.

Burger > Worklist

Burger > PATIENT ARRIVAL WORKLIST

Burger > PATIENT

Burger > DISPATCHING DASHBOARD

Burger > SCHEDULE
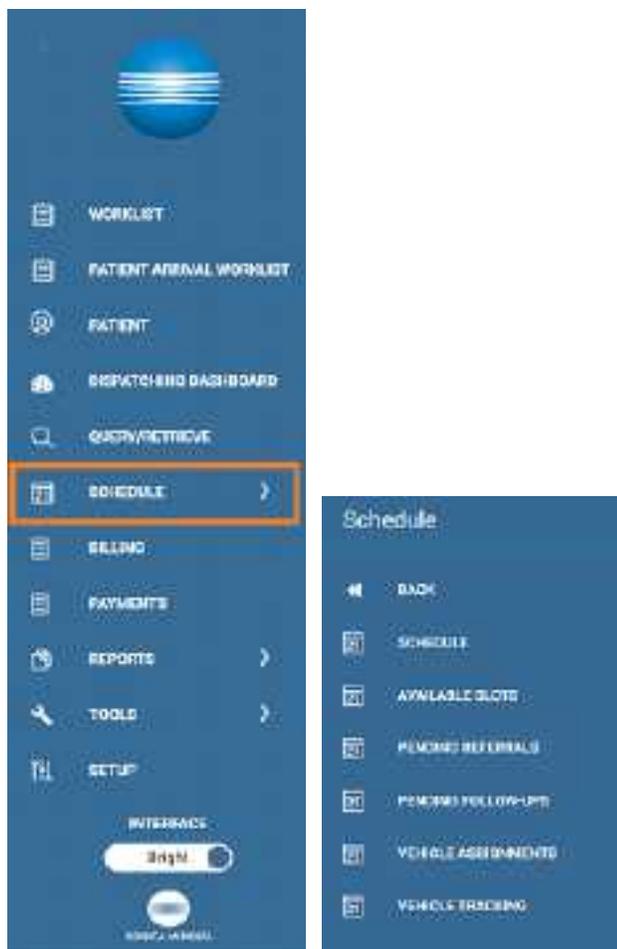
Burger > SETUP

Burger > BILLING

Burger > TOOLS

Worklist

Worklist > ALL STUDIES

Worklist > Settings > User Settings

User Settings

Viewer Settings

Local Service Settings
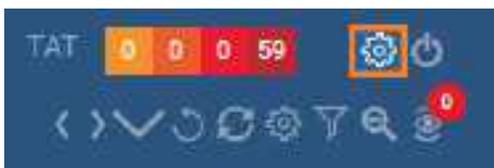
Worklist > Settings > Viewer Settings

User Settings

Viewer Settings

Local Service Settings
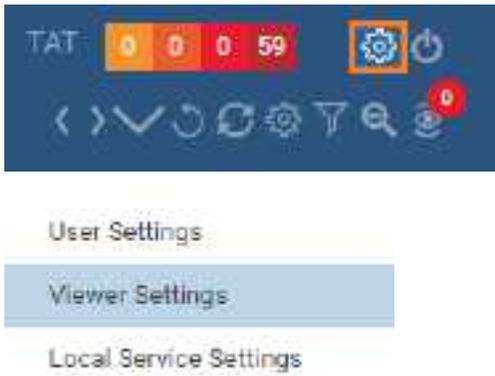
Worklist > Settings > Local Service Settings
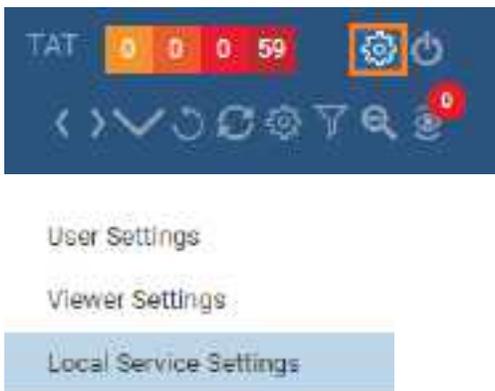
User Settings

Viewer Settings

Local Service Settings

Worklist > PACS Actions

Office menu

The setup area (or "office") menu contains the following options.

OFFICE > Office

Billing

Billing > Claims

Billing > Setup

Screens in the Edit Study screen

Edit Study > PATIENT INFORMATION

Viewer Settings

Viewer > Settings

Viewer > Settings > General

Viewer > Settings > Interface

Viewer > Settings > Tools