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COVID-19 test orders in Epic updated

A new federal mandate requires all hospitals to report COVID-19 data directly to the Department of Health and Human Services. A component of the new requirements are "Ask at Order Entry" questions to be answered by ordering providers.

In order to comply with these regulations, new required questions have been added to COVID-19 test orders in Epic. Answer selections for each question are *Yes, No*, and *Unsure*.

Questions include:

1. First test?
2. Employed in healthcare?
   - *Yes* will be selected by default for the employee-specific order.
3. Symptomatic as defined by CDC?
   - New question for outpatient orders (already included in IP and ED panels).
   - If *Yes* is selected, then Date of Symptom Onset must be entered.
4. Hospitalized?
   - Default selection will be *No* for outpatient orders
   - Default selection will be *Yes* for inpatient orders.
   - Default selections for ED orders will vary based on the order scenario.
5. ICU?
   - This question will not appear for outpatient orders.
6. Resident in a congregate care setting?
   - Includes nursing homes, residential care for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, psychiatric treatment facilities, group homes, board and care homes, homeless shelter, foster care or other setting.
7. Pregnant?
   - *No* will be selected by default for all males, and females under the age of 8 and older than 55.