

How to order lab work on an operative encounter for non-surgical providers

- If a non-surgical provider wants to have lab work drawn while a patient of theirs is in the OR, it is important that the required lab work is ordered directly on the patient's surgical encounter as a signed and held order.
- Following the normal ambulatory workflow makes it difficult for SSSU to be aware that the lab work is needed or even to decipher what lab work is required.

Please follow these steps:

Open the patient chart and navigate to the Chart Review tab > Under the Encounter activity > click on their Surgery encounter > Open the encounter by clicking the encounter button

The screenshot shows the Epic Chart Review interface. The 'Encounter' tab is active, displaying a list of encounters. A red box highlights the 'Surgery' encounter for 'Urology - Fermin Risso, C' on 'Tomorrow' with the encounter ID '403324358805'. Red circles 1, 2, 3, and 4 indicate the navigation path: 1. Chart Review tab, 2. Encounters button, 3. Surgery encounter row, 4. Encounter button.

Once you have entered the encounter, navigate to the Orders Activity > enter your orders > click on the option button in the top right corner of the orders pane and click 'phase of care'

The screenshot shows the Epic Orders interface. The 'Orders' tab is active, displaying a list of orders. A red box highlights the 'Phase of Care' option in the 'Options' menu. Red circles 1, 2, 3, and 4 indicate the navigation path: 1. Orders tab, 2. New Orders button, 3. Options button, 4. Phase of Care option.

Choose the appropriate phase of care: Preprocedure/day surgery or intraprocedure > orders will automatically be signed and held > Accept and sign your orders.

