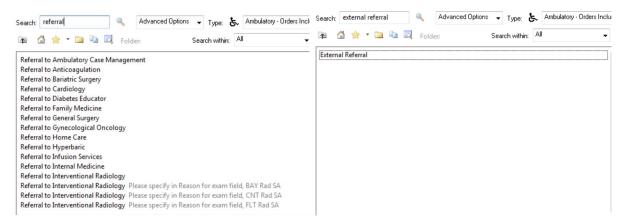


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## AMBULATORY REFERRAL ORDER VS. FOLLOW UP ORDER

A **referral order** will be placed if a provider is referring a patient to a different clinic/specialty to be seen. Ex. If a patient is being seen at the Lansing Primary Care clinic, but the provider would like the patient to be seen by a cardiologist within the McLaren Lansing network, a "Referral to Cardiology" would be placed. If the provider would like the patient to be seen by a provider outside of the McLaren Lansing network, an "External Referral" would be placed.



A **follow up order** will be placed if a patient needs an appointment to return to the same clinic they are currently being seen at. Ex. If a patient being seen at Lansing Primary Care and needs to return to the same clinic next week, a "Primary Care Follow Up" order is selected. The order scheduling location automatically routes to the ordering location, so the location should not be changed in the order details. It is imperative the appropriate specialty follow up order is placed for this scenario.

