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New Discern Alert for Lab and Radiology Orders

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New Discern Alert for Lab and Radiology Orders Overview

Effective 4/15/24: A Future Order > 365 Days Discern Alert will display when Providers attempt to sign a future Lab/Radiology order with a requested start date greater than 365 days from the date it's being placed. If multiple orders are placed at one time that have a requested start date greater than 365 days out, a discern alert will display for each individual order.

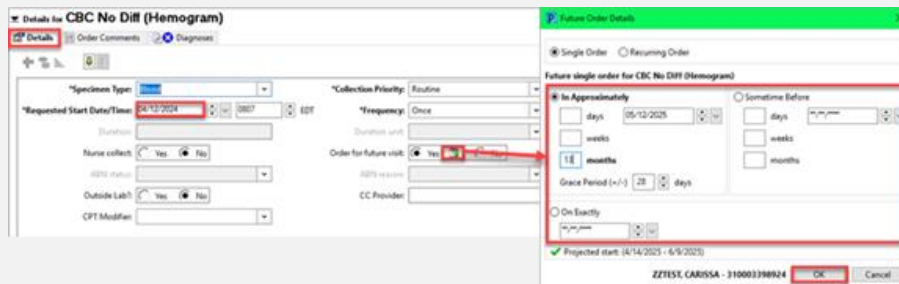
This alert will ask the Provider to modify the requested start date or cancel the existing order, which aligns with the update to Policy HI0002 (to reflect that McLaren Health Care deems outpatient diagnostic testing orders to be valid for up to 365 days from the date of a provider's order). Please see the steps below for further details.

Positions Impacted: All Provider Positions.

Discern Alert for Lab and Radiology Orders Workflow

1) When placing orders, the **Requested Start Date** can be modified in one of the following ways:

- By manually entering the desired date in the **Requested Start Date** field.
- By selecting the **Order for Future Visit** calendar icon and specifying a timeframe, which updates the Requested Start Date field.
 - The alert is only based on the **Requested Start Date** field and does not take into consideration the grace period that is applied to the order.
 - For example, if the provider is placing an order today with a requested start date for 12 months in the future and the order has a grace period of +/-28 days, the alert will not display.



2) Upon signature, the **Future Order > 365 Days** discern alert will display **if** the Requested Start Date entered on the order is >365 days in the future. In the **Alert Action** field:

- Select the **Modify Order** radio button to modify the Requested Start Date/Time.
- Select the **Cancel Order** radio button to cancel the order completely.
- Click **OK** to proceed with modifying or canceling the order.

