

Dear Colleague,

Great Western Hospital will be moving to use ICE for Pathology requesting in the coming weeks. As part of the process for go live, we are reviewing the current settings and will be making changes to the ICE system to accommodate the new joint use by both acute and community users.

The changes are necessary to enable ordering of Pathology tests within the hospital setting. In summary the changes will be:

1. The removal of warnings for repeat testing for commonly ordered tests in Blood Sciences such as U&E, FBC, etc.
2. The creation of panels of tests within the current chronic disease monitoring tab, so that the current single tick box will be replaced by the selection of a panel. This change is required where multiple blood tubes are needed. The tests within the panel will be automatically selected to facilitate the changes here.
3. The addition of two new tests to replace the current autoimmune screening test for Liver and Non-Liver autoimmune screening to enable compatibility with current laboratory processions.
4. The reduction in additional pop up questions for some Microbiology tests and the encouragement to provide relevant information within the clinical details field. This is augmented with automatic triggering of additional tests for some tests such as Mid Stream Urine.

We aim to improve the ease of use of the system for users, and these changes will ensure compatibility for the single system across acute and community settings.

If you have any further questions, please email your question to [gwh.icequestions@nhs.net](mailto:gwh.icequestions@nhs.net)

Kind Regards  
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