

“Nurse to Draw” or “Lab to Draw” How can I be sure it is correct?

S: RN is waiting for lab to come and draw the blood work. RN checks the order and notices that it has been ordered for “Nurse to Draw”, instead of “Lab to Draw”. This can occur in any care community and causes a delay in results and appropriate patient interventions.

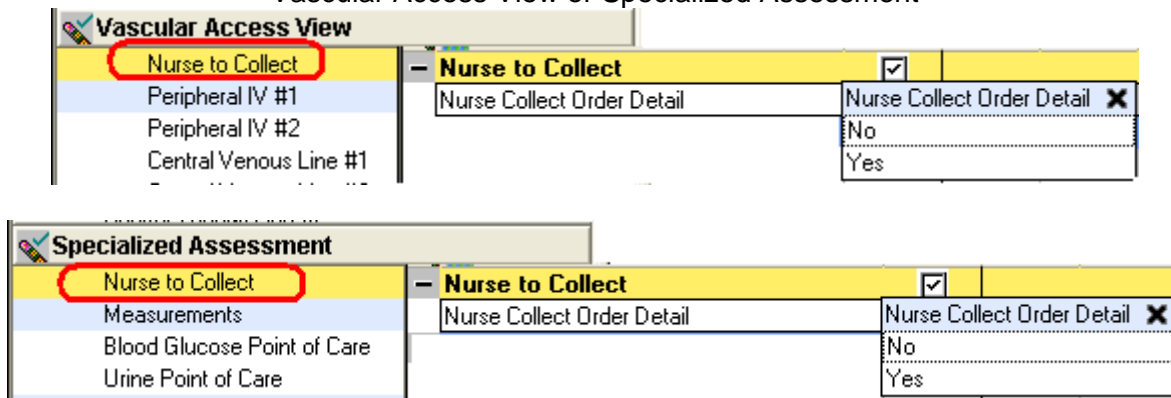
B: Why is this happening? The default of “Nurse to Draw” in the lab order has not been updated. When a patient’s condition changes, such as no central IV access or when the patient changes care community, RNs need to answer the question, “Nurse Collect Order Detail”, in IView to update the status of “Lab to Draw” or “Nurse to Draw”.

Examples:

- Perhaps the blood work was drawn from a central line. Now, the patient has no central line. The lab orders will continue to default to the last answer to the “Nurse to Collect” question, which in this case was “Yes”.
- Also, blood work orders placed for patients in the Emergency Department, Critical Care or Surgery areas default to “Nurse to Draw”-“Yes”. This does not change to “No” when a patient is transferred to Med/Surg or SSU. All subsequent blood work will be ordered as “Nurse to Draw”.

For ease of finding, the “Nurse Collect Order Detail” question is located in two different Bands of IView

Vascular Access View or Specialized Assessment



A: RNs need to answer this question in IView whenever there is a change in care community or change in status of IV lines. This changes the answer to “Nurse to Draw” in the lab order. All subsequent labs ordered will be correct.

R: Answer this question in IView with your first Head to Toe Assessment and whenever there are any changes to your patient’s IV access. This will assure that the blood work will be ordered correctly.

