



UPCOMING CHANGES TO MENTAL HEALTH ACT (MHA) TRACKING

WHAT IS CHANGING?

The electronic data collection platform used to track a persons' involuntary status under the Mental Health Act (MHA) is moving to Cerner (PowerChart)

WHAT IS MHA TRACKING IN CERNER?

The functionality being built into Cerner will include order set modules, interactive view data entry screens and automated alerts.

MHA involuntary admissions and form completion will be supported with alerts for nursing and support staff. MHA practice tools and links to provincial resources will be available to physicians, nursing and support staff through Cerner.



WHY IS IT HAPPENING?



For many reasons. Here are a few:

- To improve MHA involuntary status communications across Island Health designated facilities
- To increase patient MHA involuntary status information security
- To align practices with other BC health authorities that use electronic health records for tracking involuntary MHA statuses

WHO WILL BE AFFECTED?



- Physicians and nursing staff within Cerner clinical order set activated designated facilities
- Current MHA Trackers across Island Health regardless of their designated facility's Cerner clinical order set status
- Community extended leave Trackers

WHEN WILL IT HAPPEN?

Early 2024

WHAT KIND OF SUPPORT WILL BE AVAILABLE?

The MHA Resource Team, Clinical Informatics and iHealth are working together to education materials.

The MHA Resource Team will have dedicated support available during the transition to MHA Tracking in Cerner.