

How to place an e-Consult on Epic for Microbiology

For Inpatients

To place an e-Consult on EPIC search for '**Inpatient Consultation to Microbiology**' or test code '**CON67**' under Orders and then fill in the details: the answer comes back within the Notes section on the patient's chart.

The screenshot shows the 'Inpatient Consultation to Microbiology' form. At the top, there's a title bar with 'Inpatient Consultation to Microbiology' and 'Accept'/'Cancel' buttons. Below the title bar, there's a 'Reference Links' section with a link to 'Antimicrobial Guidelines'. The 'Priority' section has a dropdown menu set to 'Routine' and buttons for 'Routine' and 'Urgent'. The 'Recommendation' section has buttons for 'Review', 'Advice', and 'Takeover care'. There are two text input fields: 'What are your current infection concerns / working diagnoses?' and 'Question(s) for the Microbiology team'. The 'Process Instructions' section contains a block of text: 'Check the antimicrobial guidelines - see link above - prior to placing the consult. Fill in both boxes (current concerns, and question) Consults should have been discussed with a senior member (SpR or above) of your team before referral please Microbiology consultations will be reviewed in office hours (9am-4:30pm Monday - Saturday; 9am-1pm Sundays). If your consultant/SpR needs a more urgent response, please contact the On call Microbiology consultant via switchboard. After 10pm, this is SPRs or above only'. At the bottom, there's a 'Next Required' section with a 'Link Order' button and 'Accept'/'Cancel' buttons.

For Outpatients

To place an e-Consult on EPIC you just need to search for '**Outpatient Microbiology Request for Advice**' or Test Code '**LAB5124**' under Orders and then fill in the details: the answer comes back as a lab result would for the patient. Just click in Lab and use the search-bar to find Microbiology.

The screenshot shows the 'Outpatient Microbiology request for advice' form. At the top, there's a title bar with 'Outpatient Microbiology request for advice' and 'Accept' buttons. Below the title bar, there's a 'Non-Urgent Requests only. If a response is needed within the next 40 minutes please phone lab on 01392 402962.' message. The 'Microbiology Request for Advice' section has a checkbox and 'Accept'/'Cancel' buttons. The 'Order details' section has two text input fields: 'What are your current infection concerns / working diagnoses?' and 'Question(s) for the Microbiology team'. The 'Additional Comments' section has a text area and a toolbar with icons for 'Insert SmartText', '100%', and other functions. The 'Specimen Source' section has a dropdown menu set to 'Other (please specify)'. The 'Specimen Type' section has a dropdown menu set to 'Other'. The 'Priority' section has a dropdown menu set to 'Routine' and buttons for 'Routine' and 'Urgent'. The 'Class' section has a dropdown menu set to 'Clinic Collect'. At the bottom, there's an 'Accept'/'Cancel' button.