# **Health**Link



# User Guide

# HealthLink SmartForms for Best Practice

Welcome to HealthLink SmartForms. The smartest way for health professionals to refer their patients to Medicare Mental Health.



Your practice must be running Best Practice Lava SP3 or above to access the HealthLink SmartForms.

# Submitting eReferrals from Best Practice

## Using HealthLink SmartForms

SmartForms enable **Best Practice** users to easily refer and engage with all HealthLink SmartForm service providers including Hospitals, Private Specialist, Transport for NSW and My Aged Care.

SmartForms are designed to speed up the service you can provide for your patients. They give you confidence that your form has been securely delivered to the service provider, and a copy has been saved to your Practice Software. And what's more, they are free for you to use.

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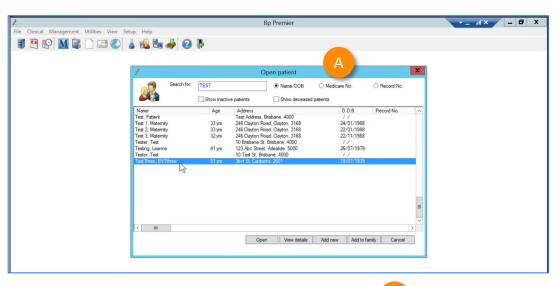
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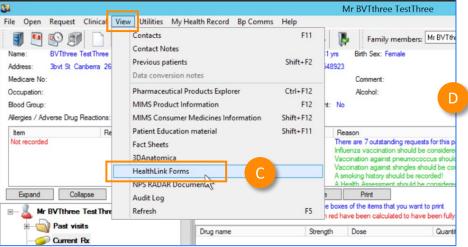
To access the forms within your Best Practice software...

- A First, search for the patient and open their electronic medical record.
  - Then click the **HealthLink icon** from the quick launch bar to launch the **HealthLink home page**.
    - or -----
  - Click View from the menu and select HealthLink Forms.
  - And then click the **New Form** button to launch the **HealthLink home page**.





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### Step 2:

## Launching a new form

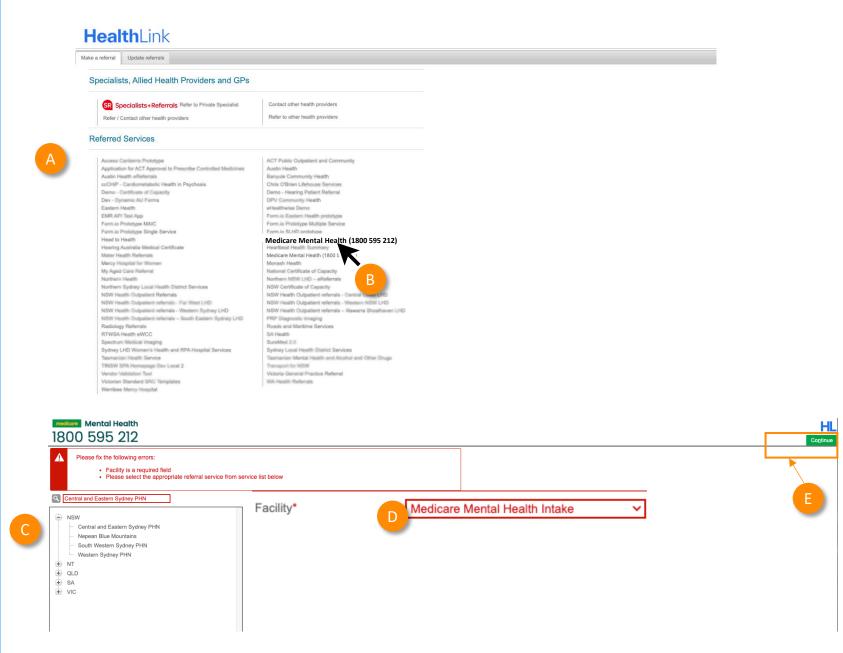
Now you're on the HealthLink home page...

- A Here you'll find a list of available services to refer patients.
- Within the **Referred Services** section, Click on the link named **Medicare Mental Health (1800** 595 212)

To launch the smart form, Medicare Mental Health require you to then:

- Select a specific state and PHN
- Facility: Medicare Mental Health Intake
- Then click **Continue** to launch the form.

(e.g. Medicare Mental Health Phone Services – NSW – Central and Eastern Sydney PHN)



#### Step 3:

## **Completing the form**

Now you've loaded the form to complete and submit.

- The SmartForm layout provides a consistent, easy-to-use tabular structure on the left, with the main action window on the right.
- Mandatory Fields must be completed prior to submitting the SmartForm and are each highlighted with a red asterisk.

You'll notice SmartForms are **responsive**: They will pre-populate all available patient and referrer data and contain logic to request more specific patient information based on your selections.

Note: Once you have ticked on the consent box – the form will open and start pre-populating the patients details



Requested Information A Central and Eastern Sydney PHN



#### Attachments / Reports

No reports selected No files attached

#### Medications, Allergies, **Alerts**

2 long term medications specified 8 medications specified No medical warnings specified

#### **Patient Information**

MICKEY HEATLEY No patient ID available 17/12/1941

#### **Referrer Information**

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North Western Melbourne PHN

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Form has been auto-saved.

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- . Medicare Mental Health is NOT a crisis service. Our operating hours are Monday to Friday 8.30am 5.00pm (excluding public holidays).
- · Please do not use for critical emergencies; instead, follow your existing emergency healthcare pathways or call
- . Once received, this referral will be assessed by the Medicare Mental Health team and allocated to an appropriate service. Medicare Mental Health may call the patient to discuss their referral.
- . You will be informed of the referral status and the service will contact your patient directly to arrange an

#### **Privacy Collection Notice**

The patient's personal and health information is protected in accordance with the Privacy Act 1988 (Cth) and the Australian Privacy Principles. The patient's personal and health information in the following pages will be collected, used and disclosed for the primary purpose of facilitating the patient's care and the referral. As this is a referral, it is not appropriate to collect health and personal information directly from the patient. If this information is not collected, the referral cannot be progressed. For further information about how the patient's personal and health information will be managed, please click here

#### Primary Mental Health Care eReferral Form - Terms of Use

By using this Primary Mental Health Care eReferral service, and pressing submit, you agree to the Primary Mental Health Care eReferral form terms of use, which can be found here

#### Consent

☐ The patient, or guardian, has consented to the referral (including their personal and health information) being shared with the Medicare Mental Health team, their local Primary Health Network (who manages the service) and if the patient is referred onto a service - other relevant service providers and health professionals as required for the purpose of to facilitating their care. They understand that this information will be kept safe and private and will be used to determine what support they need.



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The patient, or guardian, has consented to share their de-identified data with the Commonwealth Department of Health and Aged Care, state and territory health departments and evaluators. This de-identified data includes personal information like date of birth, gender, postcode and health outcomes. The patient, or guardian is aware that this de-identified data can also be linked to other available de-identified data about them to facilitate research. The service does not share the patient's name, address or other personally identifiable details that can be linked back to the patient.\*

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#### Referral Details

Referral Date\*

their need for suicide prevention services?

Are you referring this patient due to concerns about suicide risk or Yes

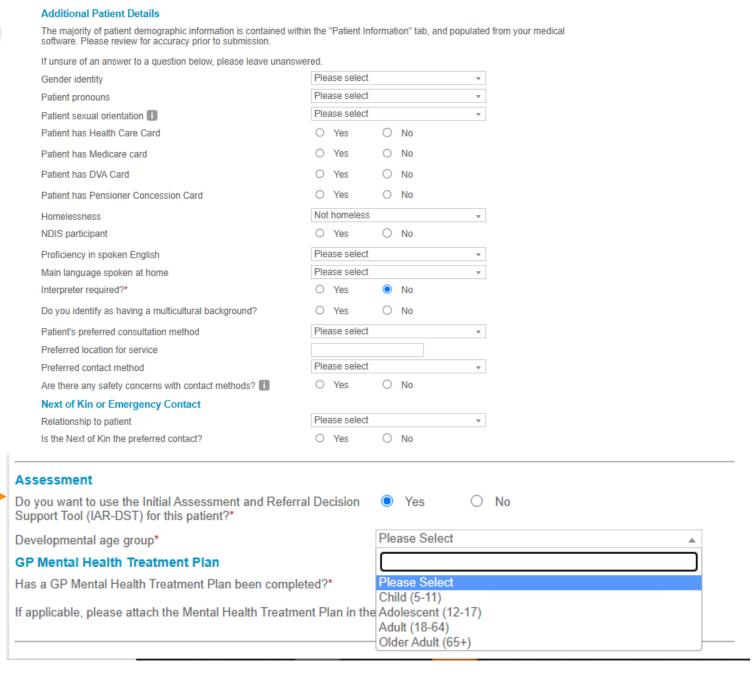
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# Step 3: Completing the form

The additional details can be completed by using the drop-down menu and using the **Yes / No** radio buttons

Assessment section of the form will ask if you would like to use the Initial Assessment and Referral Decision Support Tool (IAR-DST).

Select the developmental age group.



### Step 3:

# **Completing the form**

#### IAR - DST Calculator

In the form you can use the drop down to select the level.

**TIP:** The domain rating guide under each question will open another window and take you the official IAR-DST website.

Click on Calculate to determine the IAR-DST recommended level of care.

**Note:** For more information on the IAR-DST please <u>click here</u>.

#### Assessment

Do you want to use the Initial Assessment and Referral Decision 

Yes
Support Tool (IAR-DST) for this patient?\*

Yes O N

○ No

Adult (18-64)

| elopmental age group*                                  | Adult (18-04)                        | *  |
|--|--------------------------------------|----|
| Initial Assessment and Referral - Decision Support Too | l l                                  |    |
| Note: Please refer to the IAR-DST rating guidance t    | for selections                       |    |
| Primary Domains  | or selections.                       |    |
|  | 1 = Mild or sub diagnostic           |    |
| Domain 1 - Symptom Severity and Distress*              | 1 - Mild of Sub diagnostic           | *  |
| Domain rating guide @                                  | 4 - Louiside of house                |    |
| Domain 2 - Risk of Harm*                               | 1 = Low risk of harm                 | *  |
| Domain rating guide 🥝                                  |                                      |    |
| Domain 3 - Functioning*                                | 1 = Mild impact                      | *  |
| Domain rating guide 🥝                                  |                                      |    |
| Domain 4 - Impact of Co-Existing Conditions*           | 3 = Severe impact                    | ₩  |
| Domain rating guide 🕝                                  |                                      |    |
| Contextual Domains                                     |                                      |    |
| Domain 5 - Treatment and Recovery History              | 1 = Positive                         | *  |
| Domain rating guide 🥡                                  |                                      |    |
| Domain 6 - Social and Environmental Stressors*         | 2 = Moderately stressful environment | *  |
| Domain rating guide 3                                  |                                      |    |
| Domain 7 - Family and Other Supports*                  | 4 = No supports                      | *  |
| Domain rating guide @                                  |                                      |    |
| Domain 8 - Engagement and Motivation                   | 2 = Limited                          | *  |
| Domain rating guide 🕝                                  |                                      |    |
|  | Calculate                            |    |
| IAR-DST recommended level of care*                     | Level 3+ Moderate Intensity Services |    |
|  |                                      |    |
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| Additional information supporting IAR-DST selection    |                                      |    |
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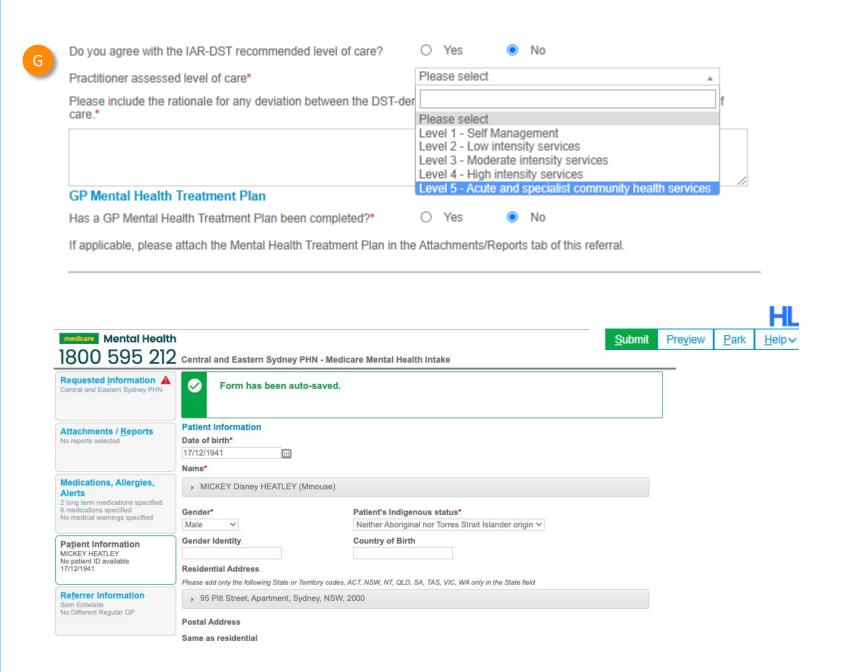
#### **IAR-DST**



If you disagree with the IAR-DST calculation; use the drop-down menu and text box.

Then click through the remaining Tabs on the left to ensure all the pre-populated patient information has been either selected, or deselected, as appropriate to submit to the service provider.

All these features ensure you're providing a quality, and compliant submission every time, on behalf of your patients.



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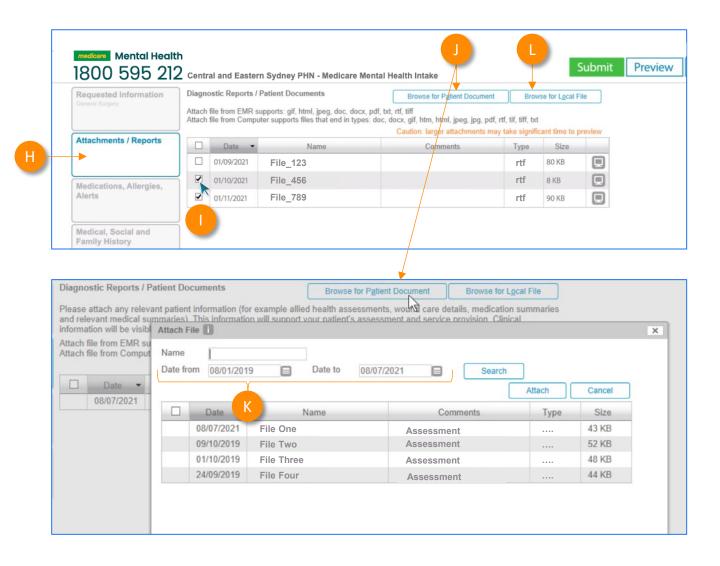
## **Completing the form**

#### **Attachments**

- The **Attachments / Reports** tab will give you access to all the supporting documents that you may wish to attach to the form.
- You can select any item from the **table** showing you patient medical records captured from the **last six months**.

Or you can browse for files...

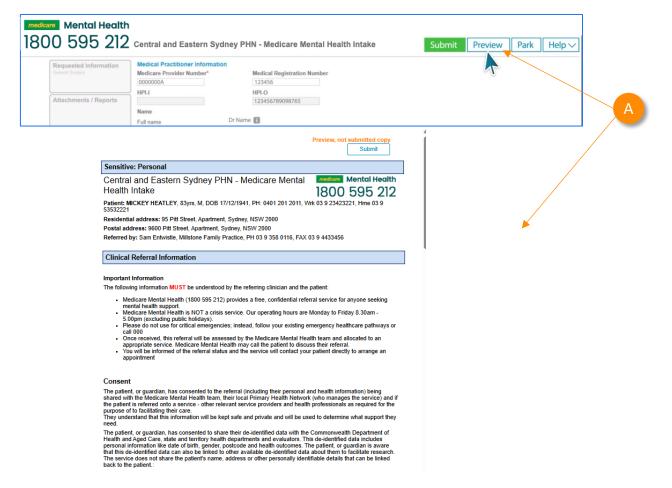
- stored in your Practice Management
  Software by clicking the Browse for Patient
  Document button.
  - Note: Make sure to update the date parameters if you want to see files that are older than 6 months.
- Or in your local computer's file system by clicking the Browse for Local File button.



# Step 4: Previewing, Submitting and Parking

#### **Previewing**

- A You can verify that the form has been completed correctly by clicking **Preview** allowing you to review the details before submitting.
- Whether you click **Preview** or **Submit**, if a piece of required information is incomplete or incorrect, the form will notify you to complete or correct it.





### Step 4:

# Previewing, Submitting and Parking

#### **Submitting**

- When you are ready to send your form, click **Submit**.
- This will safely and securely send the form electronically via HealthLink, and you will see a copy of the completed form with a **date stamp**.

A copy of the submitted form is saved directly to the patient file.

If you'd like to provide the patient with a copy, you can left-click the **Print** button or right-click anywhere on the submitted form and choose Print.



Form sent on 17/02/2025 09:34 AEDT



#### Sensitive: Personal

#### Central and Eastern Sydney PHN - Medicare Mental Health Intake

medicare Mental Health 1800 595 212

Patient: MICKEY HEATLEY, 83yrs, M, DOB 17/12/1941, PH: 0401 201 2011, Wrk 03 9 23423221, Hme 03 9 53532221

Residential address: 95 Pitt Street, Apartment, Sydney, NSW 2000 Postal address: 9600 Pitt Street, Apartment, Sydney, NSW 2000

Referred by: Sam Entwistle, Millstone Family Practice, PH 03 9 358 0116, FAX 03 9 4433456

#### Clinical Referral Information

#### Important Information

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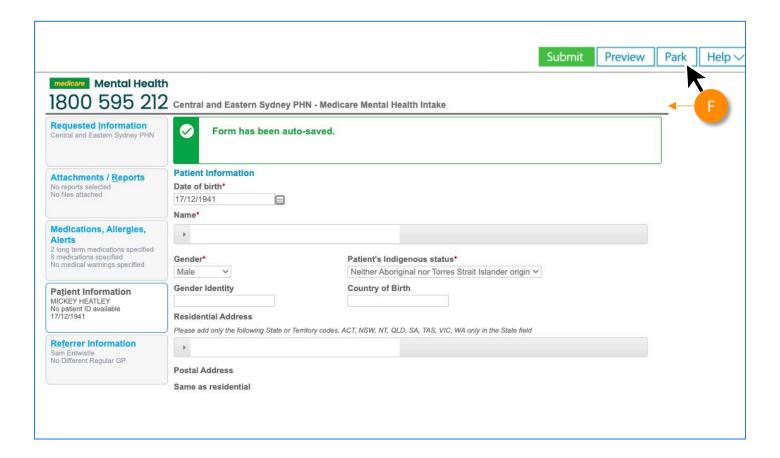
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# Step 4: Previewing, Submitting and Parking

#### **Parking**

And if you need more information to complete the form, you can **Park** the form to save what you've done so far and come back to it later.



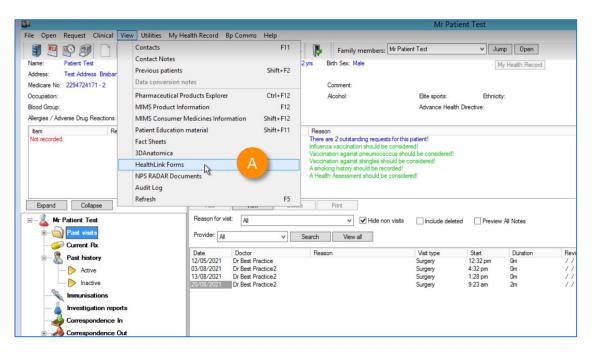
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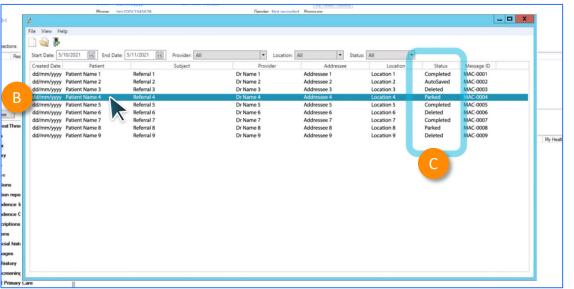
# Accessing parked and auto-saved forms

- To access parked or auto-saved forms, from the patient's record, select **HealthLink Forms** under the **View** menu.
- From the available list, double-click on the Parked or AutoSaved form you would like to open.

**Note:** when returning to a parked or auto-saved form, due to security policy, any previously added attachments will need to be re-added.

You can also use this area to see **completed** and **deleted** forms.

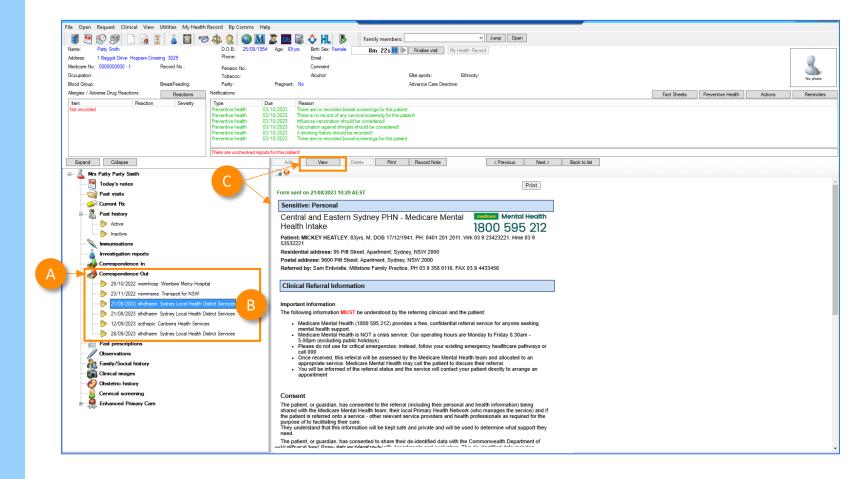




#### Step 6:

# Accessing submitted forms

- A copy of the submitted form can be found in the Correspondence Out section of the clinical record for the patient. You can use the F5 key to refresh this section.
- B To view a submitted or saved/parked messages in the Correspondence Out section, highlight the message,
- C Then click **View** and it will display the form.



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## Step 7:

# What happens after a referral has been made?

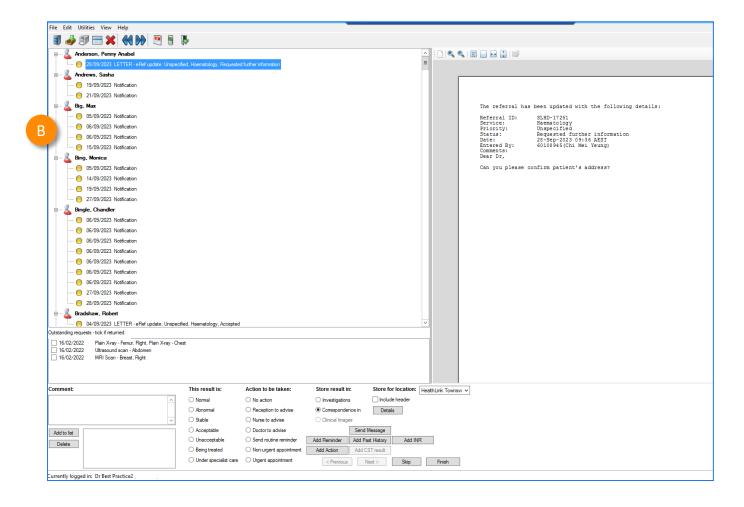
- Medicare Mental Health will respond with a Status Message regarding the Referral Acceptance or Referral Rejection with reasons.
- These Status Messages will be received back into your Practice Software using the same workflows when receiving Incoming Reports and Results, and Other correspondence like Discharge Summaries.

#### **Viewing incoming reports (Using the shortcut)**

- A From the main screen within Best Practice, click the **Inbox** shortcut
- This will take the **logged-on provider** to **their inbox** and show their incoming correspondence.

This is the preferred way. They can then match and save back to patient's file.



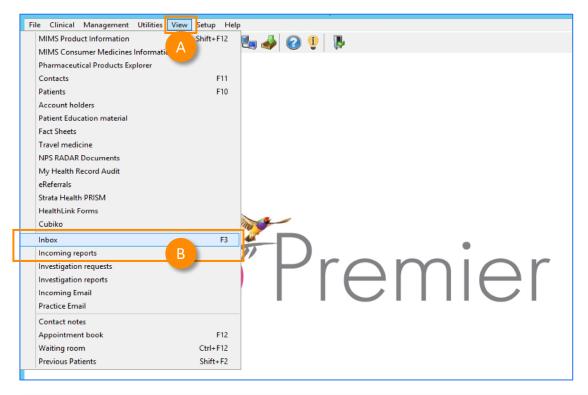


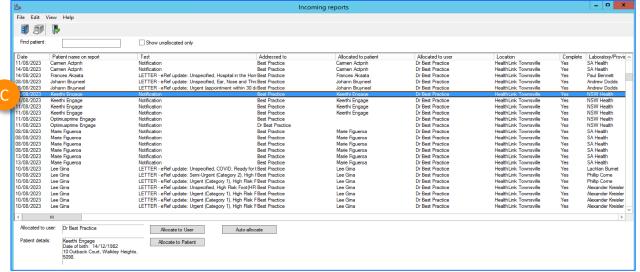
# Step 7: What happens after a referral has been made?

**Viewing incoming reports (via the View menu)** 

To view **all** incoming reports that have been received **into your practice...** 

- A Click **View** from the menu
- B Select Inbox or Incoming reports
- Here you can open and view incoming reports and allocate them to other users or to the patient.





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