

# Physician Education Express



## Cerner Diet Order, Diet Modifier and Food Allergy Changes

Audience: Providers  
Education Level: YELLOW  
Effective: December 11, 2017

### Purpose

**Revise Cerner Diet Orders, Diet Modifiers and Food Allergies to streamline the ordering process and standardize practice across the IUH system**

- Minimize the number of diet orders by eliminating synonyms, resulting in one primary diet order
- Eliminate diets that are not evidence-based
- Rename diets and diet modifiers to correspond with current nutrition recommendations
- Eliminate unnecessary duplication between primary diet orders and diet modifiers
- Eliminate unnecessary duplication between diet modifiers and food allergies

### Results

- Number of primary diet orders reduced from 168 to 94
- 157 synonyms eliminated
- Number of diet modifiers reduced from 100 to 42
- 18 diet modifiers that currently are both diet modifiers and food allergies will become food allergies only

### Next Steps

- The changes will be outlined in detail in the *Clinical IS Update* in November
- The changes will be effective on Monday, December 11, 2017 after the close of Room Service
- Registered Dietitians will convert revised diet orders to the new versions
- Dietetic Technicians will visit affected patients, explain the change in the diet order, and distribute a revised menu

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### Highlights

**Standardization and streamlining of Cerner Diet Orders, Diet Modifiers and Food Allergies across the IUH System**

**Implementation will occur on December 11, 2017 after the close of Room Service**

- ✓ **Registered Dietitians will convert revised diet orders to the new versions**
- ✓ **Dietetic Technicians will visit affected patients, explain the change in diet order, and distribute a revised menu**