

Outsourced / Referral Test Plan

Diagnostics, Labs & Imaging

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This guide explains what the tool produces, how to use the output, and what to watch for. The actual output (draft/report) is generated on the tool page.

Background

Plans which tests to outsource to a reference lab and how to manage it — selection, pricing, TAT, sample logistics, quality and reporting. Use it to run outsourcing well. For the agreement use the B2B Reference Lab Agreement.

Purpose of this tool & output

Manage tests sent to a reference lab

How the output is used

Use it to manage tests sent to a reference lab — the referral list, logistics, pricing and quality checks for outsourced tests.

Important cautions

Choose reference labs on accreditation, TAT and reliability, not price alone — their errors become yours. Track outsourced samples and reports carefully and be transparent with patients about outsourced tests. Formalise terms via a reference-lab agreement.

Companion documents

- Test Menu & Catalogue Design
- Health Checkup Package Designer
- Pre-Analytical Sample Workflow SOP
- Phlebotomy & Sample Collection SOP
- Turnaround Time (TAT) Management
- Diagnostic Report Format & Templates

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