

Top Five Facts About Patient Information Transparency

MyNM changes begin on March 30 at Northwestern Medicine

1. Patients have the right under HIPAA to access their health data.
2. 21st Century Cures Act requires providers to remove barriers to electronic access.
3. **Ambulatory setting:** Signed physician/APP notes will be released to MyNM at the close of an encounter. Test results (labs and imaging) that are finalized prior to midnight will be released to MyNM at 9 am the next day.
 - Lab results released manually today (such as pathology) will be auto-released at 14 days.
 - Lab results blocked today (such as Huntington's) will remain blocked.
4. **Hospital setting:** Signed physician/APP notes and finalized test results (labs and imaging) will be released to MyNM after discharge.
5. In limited circumstances, physicians may block a note, or block or delay a result from MyNM for one of the following reasons*:
 - Reasonable likelihood of causing harm to the patient or another individual
 - Patient requested not to receive the result or note in MyNM

* Patients may request to receive any note or result from HIM, including those that have been blocked

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