

A proposed Model for reduced-paper-reporting.

This is a possible interim solution to reduce the use of paper yet allowing printing and delivery of some results when needed by clinicians. The model would be used initially in a trial for Pathology reports and, if successful, could be extended to all other results in time.

There would be no more filing of RCH Pathology reports in the UR folder.

All RCH Pathology results would be available in CLARA

Paper results would be printed and posted (or faxed) to ordering clinicians **only when they specifically request it.**

Clinicians could request this using either (or both) of these methods:

1. By registering (with pathology) one or more provider numbers for automatic printing.
2. By ticking a box on the request form.

If either condition is met the results would be printed and mailed (or faxed).

Method 1 would allow a clinician to always get a printed result when wanted (e.g. for use in private rooms), method 2 would allow printing for selected results.

Clinicians would therefore still have the option of a paper prompt when results become available.

Clinicians would have the option of getting a paper result in some settings (e.g. private rooms) and not others (e.g. for public inpatients) by selective registration of provider numbers.

Clinicians would not need to send any printed results for filing.

Any reports printed and posted to clinicians would have in large bold letters:

***This test result is printed for use in patient management and/or your own files.
It does not need to be filed in the patient's hospital record folder.
Please do not send it to Health Information Services for filing.
Store it in your own records or dispose of it confidentially.***