

# Using Beacon to Link Orders in RBR Studies

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### What is Beacon:

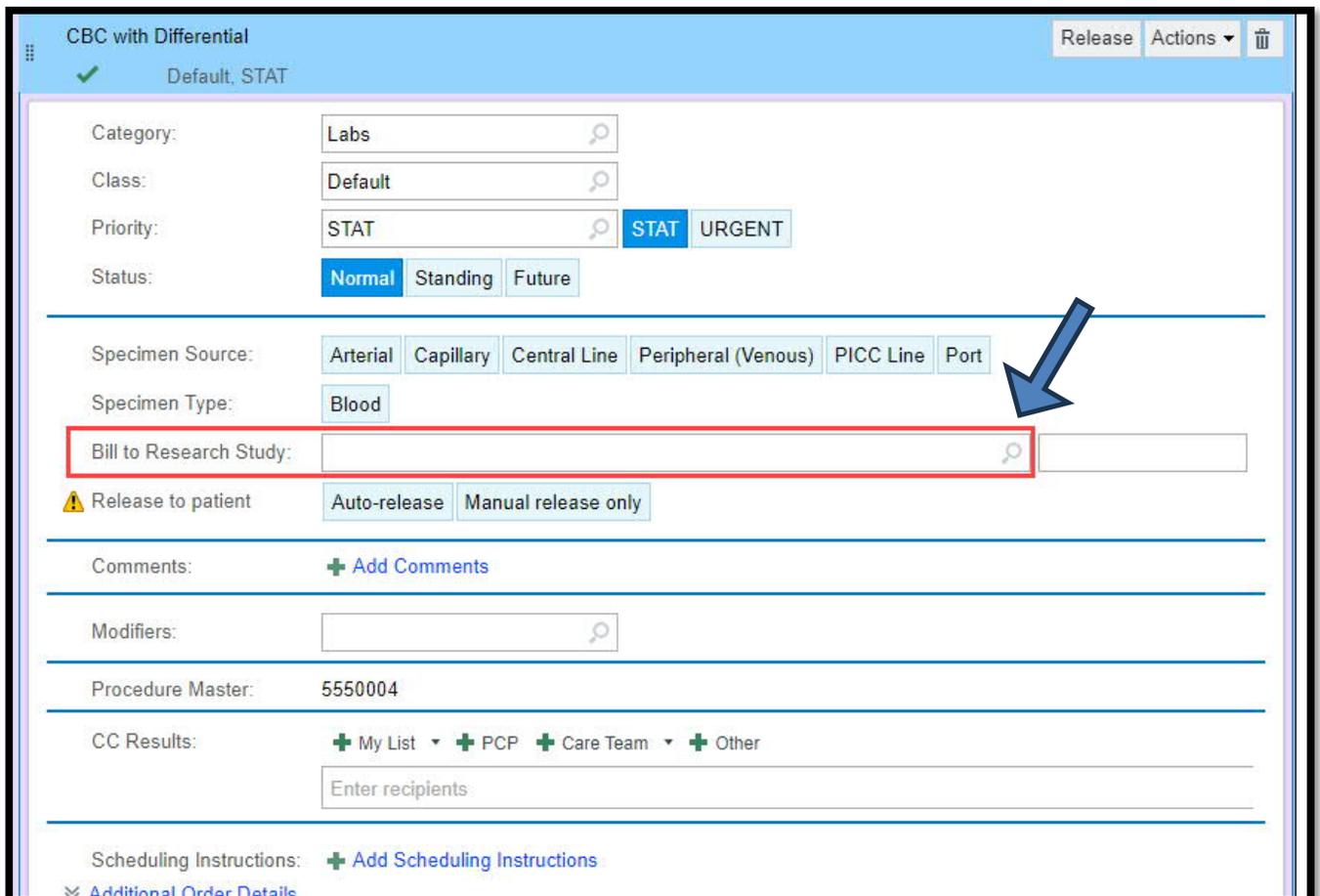
Beacon is Epic's medical oncology application. It is used in the areas of hematology, cellular therapy, radiation oncology, and gynecological oncology. Beacon treatment plans manage a patient's therapy across visits for the entire length of treatment.

### RBR Studies that have Beacon Plans in Epic:

When a user links an order directly from Beacon to a study, charges are assigned as "Bill to Patients insurance" by default. When charges are not caught in the RBR work queue, the Revenue Cycle team will not be able to review, and bills are sent to patients in error.

### How to Link Studies in Beacon:

The user can link an order to a study by updating 'Bill to Research study' section while releasing an order from **Beacon**.



The screenshot shows the Epic lab order entry interface for "CBC with Differential". The order is in "Default, STAT" status. The "Bill to Research Study" field is highlighted with a red box, and a blue arrow points to it from the right. Other fields include Category (Labs), Class (Default), Priority (STAT), Status (Normal), Specimen Source (Arterial, Capillary, Central Line, Peripheral (Venous), PICC Line, Port), Specimen Type (Blood), Release to patient (Auto-release, Manual release only), and Procedure Master (5550004).

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### What is the preferred option for linking a study while releasing an order from Beacon:

For RBR studies (Studies with an EPIC Calendar) to avoid your patient being billed, please link at the encounter level, or set at the order level.

### Support:

For any questions regarding using Beacon to link orders in RBR studies, please contact the OCR at: [OCR@utsouthwestern.edu](mailto:OCR@utsouthwestern.edu),  
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