A PowerPlan is an Order Set in Cerner that assists providers by efficiently presenting them with best practice ordering options. Employees are expected to be knowledgeable of policies and procedures that impact order entry. It is important to note that policies may vary between Member Organizations.

Ordering a PowerPlan:

The **PowerPlan** icon identifies PowerPlans in the EHR icon.

STEP 1:   Navigate to the **Add Order** window. Search for and select the desired **PowerPlan**.

NOTE: Some PowerPlans are available on Quick Order MPages.

STEP 2:   Enter the appropriate **Physician Name** and **Communication Type** in the **Ordering Physician Dialog** box (if applicable).

STEP 3:   The PowerPlan opens to display available orders.

- **Multi-Phase PowerPlans** – select the appropriate phase in the **View** pane to **initiate** orders.
- Click the checkbox to select/deselect orders as appropriate to include/exclude from the PowerPlan.
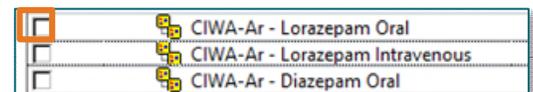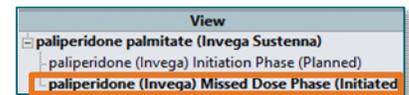
NOTE: Use the Add to Phase button to add orders that are not part of the PowerPlan.

STEP 4:   Select **Initiate Now**.

STEP 5:   Select **Orders For Signature**.

STEP 6:   Select **Sign**.
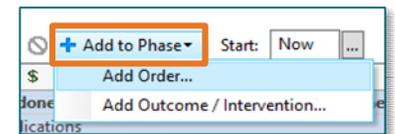
Planning a PowerPlan

A PowerPlan can be placed in a **Planned** status if it is not ready to be initiated.

STEP 1:   Navigate to the **Add Order** window. Search for and select the desired **PowerPlan**.

STEP 2:   Select/deselect/add to phase all applicable **Orders**.

STEP 3:   Select the **Plan For Later** button.
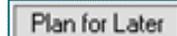
STEP 4:   Select **Sign**.
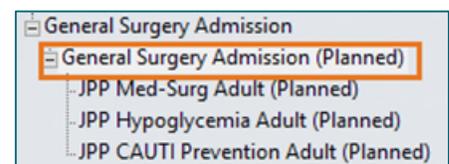
Initiating the Planned PowerPlan

A PowerPlan in a **Planned** status needs to be initiated to have active orders.

STEP 1:   From the **View** Pane, select the Planned PowerPlan.

STEP 2:   Select **Initiate Now**.

STEP 3:   Select **Orders For Signature**.

STEP 4:   Select **Sign**.

Sub-Phases within a PowerPlan:

Sub-Phases are indicated by the double PowerPlan Icon within the PowerPlan

STEP 1:   Navigate to the **Add Order** window and search for and select the desired **PowerPlan**.
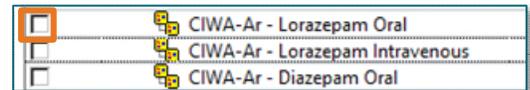
STEP 2:   Select the **Sub-Phase** with the PowerPlan to initiate**.**

STEP 3:   Select/Deselect applicable orders within the **Sub-Phase**.
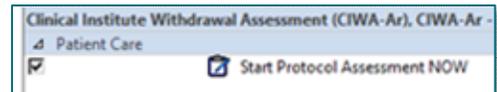
STEP 4:   Go back to the PowerPlan by selecting **Return To**.
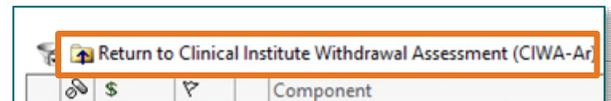
STEP 5:   Select **Initiate Now**.

STEP 6:   Select **Orders For Signature**.

STEP 7:   Select **Sign**.

Additional Components of a PowerPlan

Most PowerPlans contain instructions and links to additional reference materials such as reference text, instructions, evidenced based information, or linked orders.

➢ **Reference Text** – indicated by the pages icon. Click the icon to launch the Reference Text window which contains additional information, such as a link to the policy or procedures relating to the order(s).
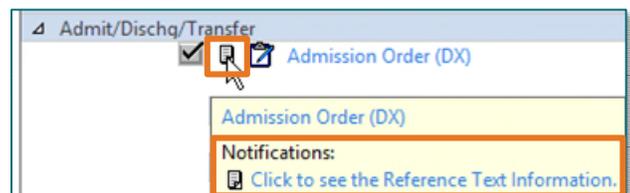
➢ **Instructions** – including inclusion/exclusion criteria, dosing guidelines, and other important details are indicated by a post-it note icon.
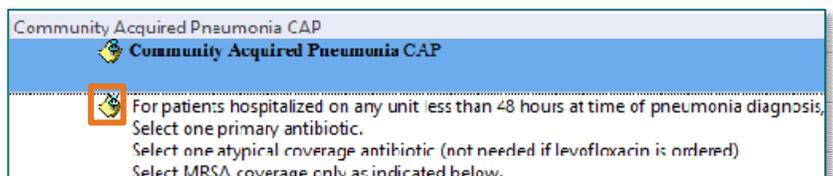
➢ **Evidence-Based Information** – indicated by the notebook/chain ⬚ icon for screening tools, scales, and patient condition-based interventions.
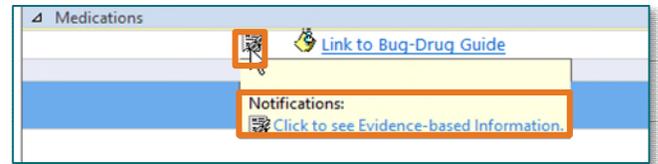
➢ **Linked Orders**

- Orders that should be placed together are marked with **open chain link** ⬚ icons.

- Selecting an **open chain link** order, selects all linked orders.
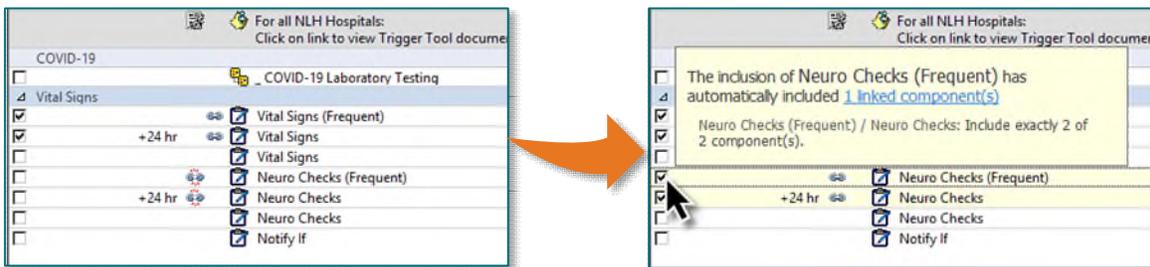
- Once selected, the icon will change to a closed ⬚ **chain link**.