

Bp Premier Spectra SP1 Release Notes

These release notes describe the changes made to Bp Premier since Spectra build 1.13.0.1061.

Release Date	25 March 2025
Release version	Bp Premier version Spectra SP1 1.13.1.1075.
Notes last updated	18 March 2025
Which version can I upgrade from?	You can upgrade to version Spectra SP1 (1.13.1.1075) from Bp Premier version Orchid SP1 Revision 1 1.12.1.1023 or later. To check the current program version that you have installed, select Help > About .
Which data update do I need?	You must install the October 2024 Data Update or later before you can upgrade to version 1.13.1.1075. However, Best Practice Software recommend making sure you have the most recent Data Update installed before you run a program upgrade.
Which database and operating system versions are supported?	Windows operating system Windows 10 Pro or higher is supported. Microsoft Windows Server 2016 and higher is supported. Microsoft SQL Server 2016 and higher is supported.
When should I upgrade?	Best Practice Software recommend running the program upgrade outside of business hours.
How do I upgrade?	Brief upgrade instructions are included in this document.

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Upgrade to Spectra SP1 1.13.1.1075

You must have the **October 2024** data update or later installed before you upgrade to **Spectra SP1 1.13.1.1075**.

1. Back up your Bp Premier database before running the upgrade.
2. Synchronise all workstations in remote database mode with the Bp Premier server before you upgrade.
3. [Download and run](#) the latest Drug Update on your Bp Premier server computer.
4. Log all users out of the server and all clients before you upgrade.
5. Download and run the **Spectra SP1 1.13.1.1075** update on your server and all clients.
6. Log back in to Bp Premier and resume use.

Where do I find more information?

Select  from the main screen of Bp Premier or select **Help > Online** from Bp Premier to open the Knowledge Base from any main screen toolbar.

New Features

Enhancements to include Self-collection options for Cervical Screening

Cervical screening participants now have the [choice to self-collect their own Cervical Screening Test sample](#). Enhancements have been implemented in Bp Premier version Spectra SP1 to accommodate the recording of results from tests where the patient themselves collected sample.

In Spectra SP1, the **Cervical Screening Results** screen has been enhanced to include a new check box, **Self-collection**, allowing clinicians to specify whether the patient has collected the sample themselves. A new option, **Self-collected by patient**, has been added to the **Performed by** field.

The recommended workflow for recording **Self-collection** in the **Cervical Screening Results** screen is as follows:

- When the sample is **Self-collected** without the assistance of a Clinician, set the **Performed by** field to **Self-collected by the patient** and tick the **Self-collection** check box.
- When the sample is **Self-collected** with the Clinician's assistance, update the value in **Performed by** to the **Clinician** and tick the **Self-collection** check box.

Enhancements to Database Searches for Cervical Screening

Enhancements have been implemented in the **Database Search** for **Cervical Screening**. The search criteria for **Last Screening** has been updated to incorporate a single drop down menu, **Last Screening Test Over:**, which allows searches for results from **1 year** to **10 years**.

The search criteria for additional parameters have been updated to the following:

- HPV Test Only has been updated to **HPV test/CST**
- When selecting **HPV test/CST**, the option for **Cytology results** will be replaced with **LBC Results**
- A new search criterion, **Risk Category**, has been added
- The search criteria for **Performed By** has been updated to include **Self-collected by patient**.

Email eScript tokens directly to the patient's preferred pharmacy

Enhancements have been made to allow clinicians to send **eScript tokens** directly to the **email address** of the patient's preferred **pharmacy**.

If a patient consents to have their **eScript token** sent directly to their preferred pharmacy, the clinician can select **Email (Pharmacy)** from the **Token** menu in **Current Rx**. A new window, **Send to Pharmacy**, will appear, requiring the clinician to confirm that they have obtained **consent** from the patient for the eScript token to be sent to their preferred pharmacy. The clinician can manually enter the **pharmacy email address** or select a **pharmacy contact** with an email address on record.

eScript tokens sent via **Email (Pharmacy)** will include the patient's consent as an **Action** in **Today's Notes**. The action will detail the **eScript delivery address** (email address) and the corresponding **drug** and **dosage** information.

A **contact note** will be recorded for each **eScript** sent via SMS (default), SMS (Other), App, Email (default), Email (other), or Email (Pharmacy).

Email Investigation Reports as PDF from the Patient Record

Investigation Reports can be **emailed** directly to patients as a **PDF** file attachment, secured with a **PIN**, from the **Investigation Reports** screen within the **Patient Record**.

The document and image file formats listed below can be emailed directly from **Patient Record > Investigation Reports**:

- Documents: PDF, RTF, DOC, DOCX and TXT.
- Images: JPG, JPEG, TIF, PNG, GIF, BMP, TIFF and MTIF.

An **Action** will be created in **Today's notes** to show that the **Email** has been sent, and a **Contact Note** will be generated for all **Investigation Reports** sent via **Email**.

AIR Vaccination Encounter Reporting Changes

Reporting accurate vaccination information to the Australian Immunisation Register (AIR) allows the register to contain a complete and reliable dataset for monitoring immunisation coverage and administration. The Australian Immunisation Register (AIR) will establish new reporting requirements on **24 October 2025** to improve the data currently held.

Updates to Vaccine Type Reporting effective from 24 October 2025

The Australian Immunisation Register (AIR) is introducing changes to simplify the **Vaccine Type** field. In Spectra SP1, the following options will be available:

- **NIP/Commonwealth**
- **Antenatal**
- **Other**

The options for Private and State Program have both been replaced by the new option 'Other'. Where you previously would have selected the Private or State Program option, you will now select 'Other'.

Other enhancements

Bp Function	Release Notes	Key
Australian Immunisation Register	<p>The Add/Edit Immunisation screen has been updated to include the Vaccine Type changes mandated by the Australian Immunisation Register (AIR) that will take effect on 01 March 2025:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ State Program and Private has been removed. ▪ Other has been introduced and is to be used instead of State Program and Private. 	78733
Australian Immunisation Register	<p>The Australian Immunisation Register (AIR) has removed the requirement to specify the Serial Number when recording COVID-19 vaccination encounters. The Serial No: field has been removed from the Add/Edit Immunisation screen.</p>	78735
Patient Record	<p>The label for BSL (Blood sugar level) in the following screens has been updated to BGL (Blood glucose level).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Patient record > Clinical > Observations. ▪ Patient record > Today's notes > General. ▪ Patient record > Observations > Graph. ▪ Patient record > Enhanced Primary Care > Diabetes cycle of care. 	77870
Patient Demographics	<p>English will now be positioned at the top of the Preferred Language list, followed by the top ten languages recorded by the Australian Bureau of Statistics, and then an alphabetical listing of all other languages.</p>	77991
ePrescribing	<p>A new option for eScript tokens, Email (Pharmacy), has been added to the Patient Demographics screen, allowing you to set the patient's preferred method for receiving their eScript Tokens.</p>	77916
ePrescribing	<p>A new option for eScript tokens, Email (Pharmacy), has been added to Current Rx to allow for the direct sending of eScript tokens to the patient's preferred pharmacy.</p>	77917
ePrescribing	<p>A new option for eScript tokens, Email (Pharmacy), has been added to the Resend or Reprint Token screen, allowing eScript tokens to be resent to the patient's preferred pharmacy.</p>	77918
ePrescribing	<p>eScript tokens sent via Email (Pharmacy) will include the patient's consent as an Action in Today's Notes. The action will detail the eScript delivery address (email address) and the corresponding drug and dosage information.</p> <p>A contact note will be recorded for each eScript sent via Email (default), Email (other), or Email (Pharmacy).</p>	75324

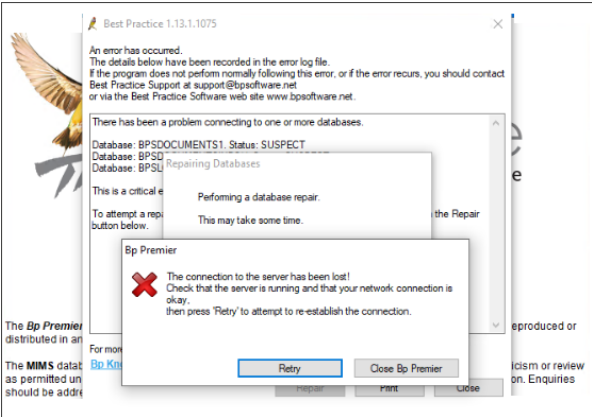
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ePrescribing	<p>Enhancements have been implemented on the Past Prescriptions screen to improve visibility on the method used for sending eScript tokens.</p> <p>The eScript column in Past Prescriptions has been updated; Existing and historical prescriptions sent via eScript will now display the eScript token method used: SMS, SMS (Other), Paper, Email, Email (Other), MySL, or App, instead of the previous Yes/No format.</p> <p>The eScript column in Past Prescriptions has been updated to display the eScript token method used for new or represcribed prescriptions sent via eScript: SMS, SMS (Other), Paper, Email, Email (Other), Email (Pharmacy), MySL, or App.</p>	77920
ePrescribing	<p>A new column, eScript address, has been added to the Past Prescriptions screen in the patient record to display the email address or mobile number to which new or represcribed eScript tokens were sent.</p> <p>The eScript Address column will display the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The mobile phone number for eScript tokens sent via SMS and SMS (Other). ▪ The email address for eScript tokens sent via Email, Email (Other), and Email (Pharmacy). 	77921
Bp Email	<p>Investigation Reports can now be emailed directly to patients as PDF file attachments from the Investigation Report screen in the Patient Record.</p> <p>The following document and image file formats may be emailed directly from Patient Record > Investigation Reports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Documents: PDF, RTF, DOC, DOCX and TXT. ▪ Images: JPG, JPEG, TIF, PNG, GIF, BMP, TIFF and MTIF. <p>Investigation Reports will be delivered as a PDF attachment and secured with a PIN. The PIN is mandatory and cannot be removed.</p> <p>Only one investigation report can be emailed to the patient at a time.</p> <p>An Action will be created in Today's notes to show that the Email has been sent, and a Contact Note will be generated for all Investigation Reports sent via Email.</p>	78015
Cervical Screening	<p>Enhancements have been introduced to the Cervical Screening Result screen in the patient record to accommodate the recording of results from Cervical Screening tests that were Self-collected by participants.</p> <p>When adding a Cervical Screening result to the patient record by selecting Cervical Screening > Add, a new Self collection tick box will be available in the Cervical Screening Results window.</p> <p>A new option, Self-collected by patient, has been added to the Performed by: drop down list.</p>	77875

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Cervical Screening	<p>The Cervical Screening window in the patient record has been enhanced to include an additional column, Self-collection, that displays whether a cervical screening participant opted to collect their own Cervical Screening Test sample.</p>	77876
Database Search	<p>The Database Search for Cervical Screening has been updated to include the latest updates from the National Cervical Screening Program and the new enhancements for recording Self-collection in the Cervical Screening Results screen in Spectra SP1.</p> <p>The search criteria for Last Screening has been updated to incorporate a single drop down menu, Last Screening Test Over:, which allows searches for results from 1 year to 10 years.</p> <p>The search criteria for additional parameters have been updated to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ HPV Test Only has been updated to HPV test/CST ▪ When selecting HPV test/CST, the option for Cytology results will be replaced with LBC Results ▪ A new search criterion, Risk Category, has been added ▪ The search criteria for Performed By has been updated to include Self-collected by patient. 	77877
Bp Browser	<p>Enhancements have been made in the Bp Browser to improve performance when opening and closing Bp Browser windows; memory is now deallocated more efficiently.</p>	78201

Bug fixes

Bp Function	Release Notes	Key
Database Connections	<p>A resolution has been implemented to improve the handling of errors that occur due to Network connectivity issues between a workstation and the Bp Premier database server.</p> <p>Users will now be alerted when the following occurs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 'The connection to the server has been lost! Check that the server is running and that your network connection is okay. Then press 'Retry' to attempt to re-establish the connection'. Users can press Retry to try to re-establish the connection to the Bp Premier database, or they can opt to Close Bp Premier. ▪ 'A potential connection issue was detected, and some of your recent changes may not have been saved. If you close the application now, any unsaved data may be lost. Do you want to proceed?'. Users have the option to select No, go back & Retry to try to re-establish the connection to the Bp Premier database, or they can opt for Yes, Close Bp Premier. 	79408
Database Connections	<p>To further support the management of errors that arise from Network connectivity issues between a workstation and the Bp Premier database server, additional logging will be implemented for Auditing purposes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ When the client machine loses connection to the database server, the Error Handler window will display, and an entry will be logged in the database for auditing purposes. ▪ When the client machine loses connection to the database on the server, the Error Handler window appears. Clicking the Retry, Cancel, or Close button in the Error Handler window results in an entry being recorded in the database. ▪ When the client machine loses connection to the database server and the Retry button is clicked upon successful reconnection, an entry is logged in the database for auditing purposes. 	79352
Patient Education Material	<p>Resolved an issue where searching for leaflets in Patient Education Material would result in a fatal call stack error.</p> <p>Callstack Indicator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ CTREEVIEW:EXPAND Line: 27 ▪ PATIENTEDUCATIONWINDOW:SEARCH Line: 47 ▪ PATIENTEDUCATIONWINDOW:FILE_SEARCH Line: 9 	78720
Waiting Room	<p>Resolved an issue where updating an Appointment status via the Legend in the Waiting Room resulted in the appointment being incorrectly moved and assigned to the wrong user.</p>	78727

Known issues

Bp Function	Issue	Fixed In	Key
Suspect Databases	<p>When a Suspect Database error occurs, and the Repair option is selected, a connection to the server error notification is displayed, and the Repair cannot be completed.</p>  <p>Workaround:</p> <p>Contact Bp Premier Support at 1300 40 1111, options 1, 1, 5 if any errors occur.</p>	Not yet resolved.	79665
Remote Database	<p>When selecting Clinical > Unchecked reports in the patient record from a Remote Database workstation, a non-fatal callstack error will occur.</p> <p>Callstack Identifier:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ CLEANUPORPHANEDINBOXRECORDS Line: 30 ■ INBOXWINDOW:CLEANUP Line: 44 ■ PATIENTINBOXWINDOW:LOADDATA Line: 7 <p>Workaround:</p> <p>Unchecked reports are not available in a remote database and should not be selected.</p>	Not yet resolved.	79683
Remote Database	<p>When a Remote Database workstation reconnects to the Bp Premier (BpInstance) database server instead of connecting to the BPSClient remote database, any patient information entered will not be saved.</p> <p>Workaround:</p> <p>Users must ensure their remote database workstation (BPSClient) has been disconnected from the Bp Premier server (BpInstance) network before entering patient information.</p>	Not yet resolved.	79681