

Satisfying the Appropriate Use Criteria Program Requirements

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Appropriate Use Criteria (AUC)

- AUC

Clinical Decision Support (CDS)

- CDS mechanisms: the electronic tools that allow providers to consult AUC during ordering
- How does the CDS consult actually happen? What does it look like?
- CareSelect, Stanson Health (Premier)

Advanced Imaging Exams for Medicare pts

- CT scans
- MRI exams
- Nuclear Medicine exams
- PET scans
- NOT plain X-rays
- Traditional Medicare part B only at this time
 - Primary only

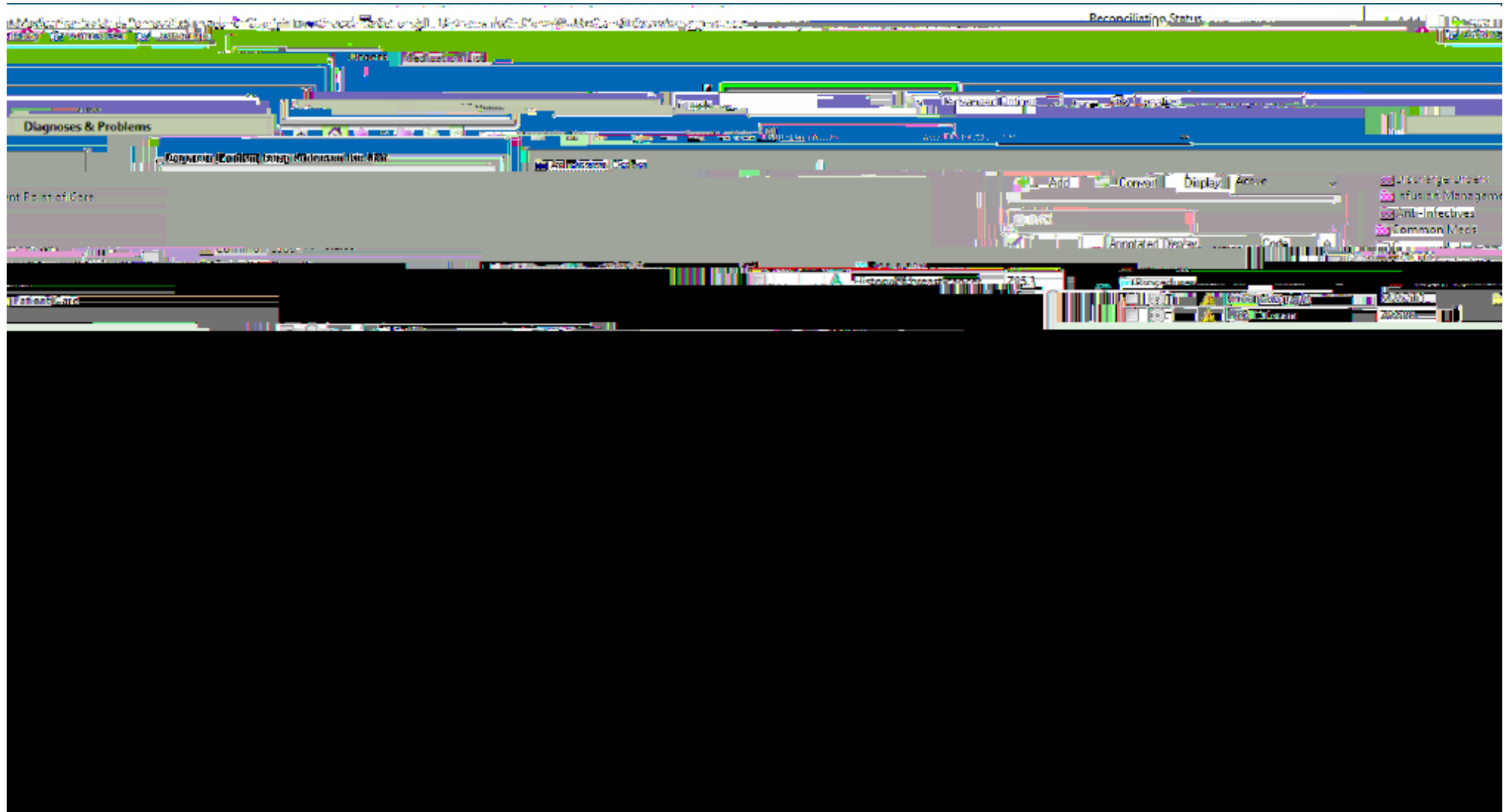
Demonstration of consultation

- How ordering providers will demonstrate they consulted AUC through an approved mechanism...
- How rendering providers will submit that information to CMS...
- How CMS will penalize those providers who do not comply...
 - Both ordering and rendering

Accountability

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Order the exam



Pop-up window

The image shows a screenshot of a web-based clinical decision support tool. At the top, the title reads "Clinical Decision Support for CT Head on Brain with Context". Below the title is a search bar with the placeholder text "Select or Search for a Reason for Exam" and a magnifying glass icon. A "Search Tips" link is located below the search bar. On the right side, there is a section titled "Common Indications (11)" with a list of checkboxes: "Altered mental status", "Brain mass or lesion", "Elevated intracranial pressure", "Head trauma", "Headache", "Seizure", "Suspected stroke", "Suspected tumor", "Suspected vascular malformation", "Suspected infection", and "Suspected bleed". A "Search" button is positioned to the right of this list. The interface is partially obscured by a dark grey pop-up window in the foreground.

Check for appropriateness & evidence

Cancel CT Head or Brain w + wo Contrast

Clinical Decision Support for
CT Head or Brain w + wo Contrast

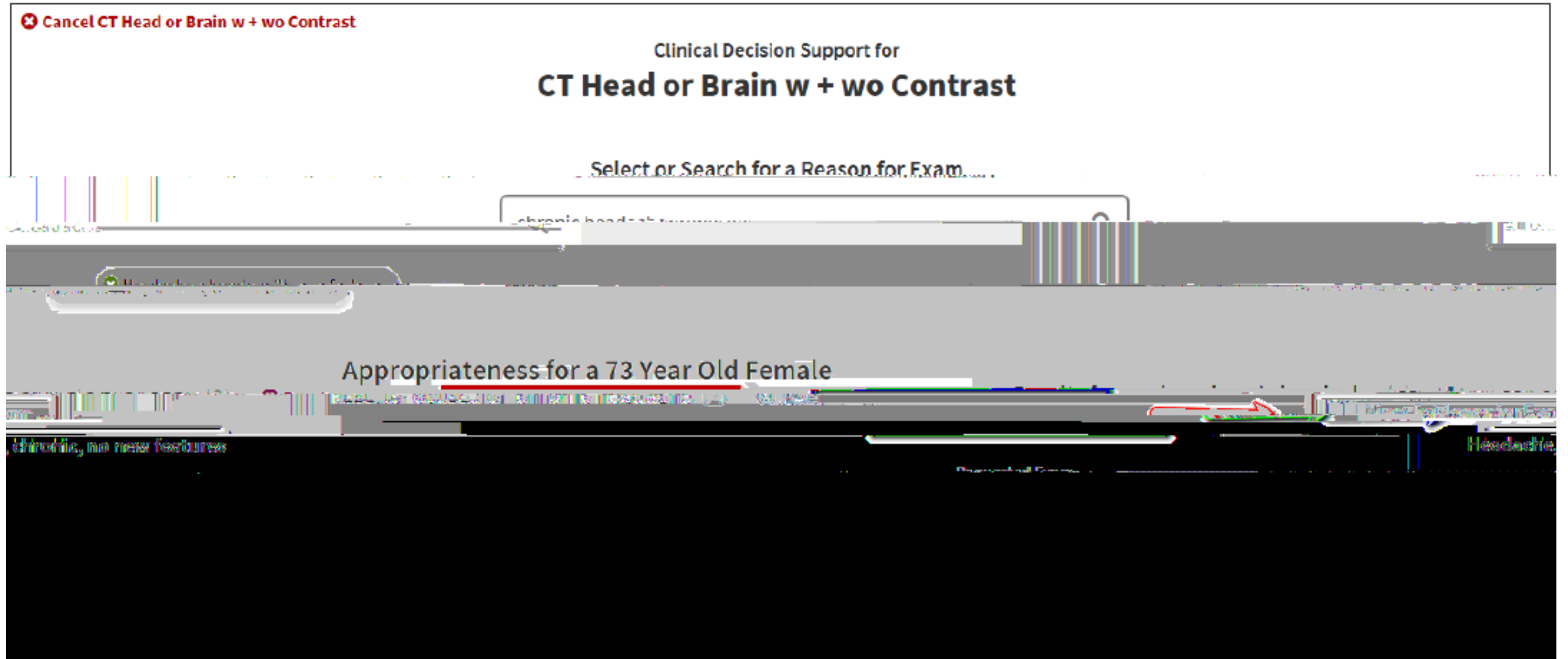
Select or Search for a Reason for Exam...

chronic head ab trauma

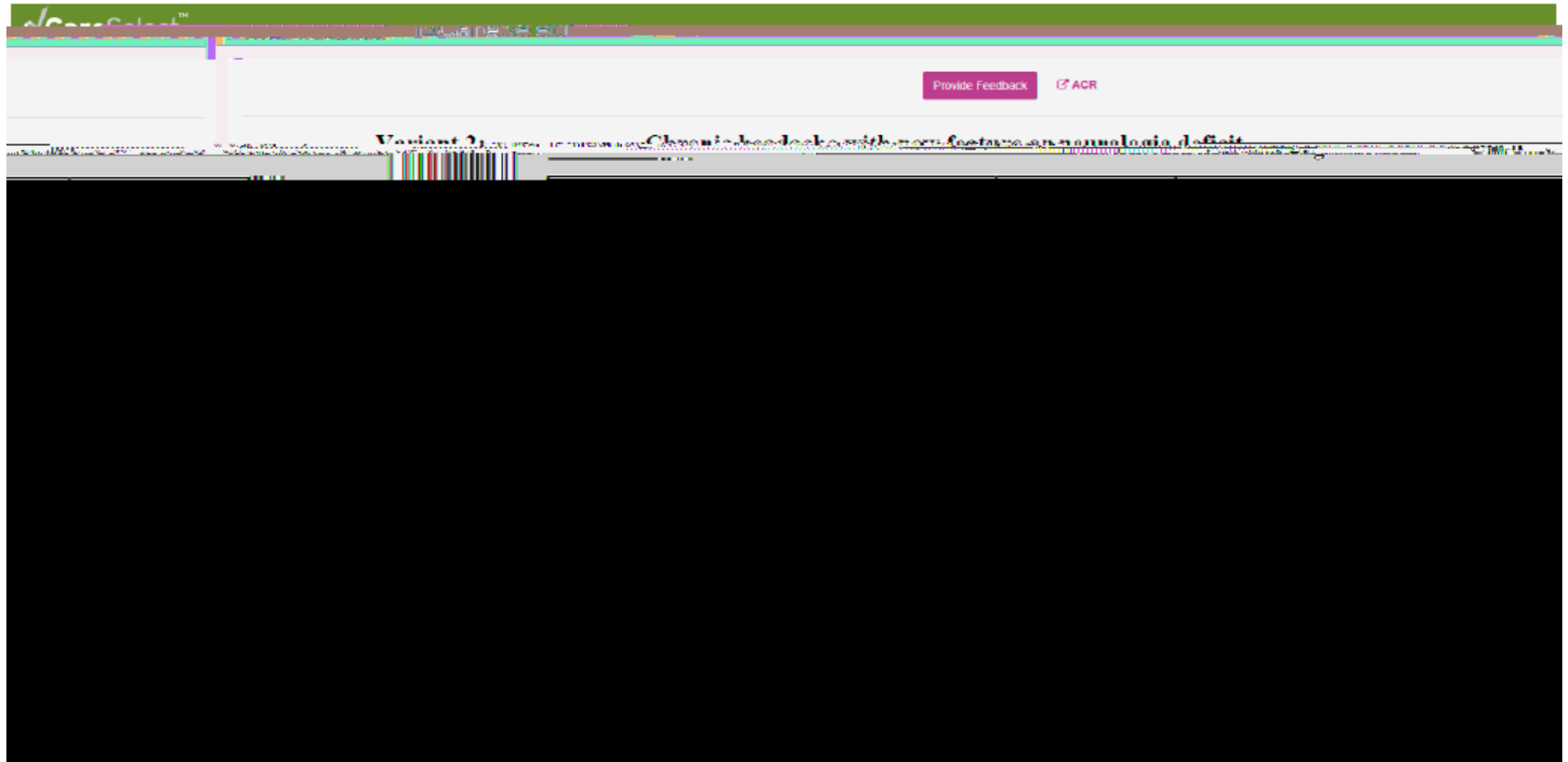
Appropriateness for a 73 Year Old Female

chronic, no new features

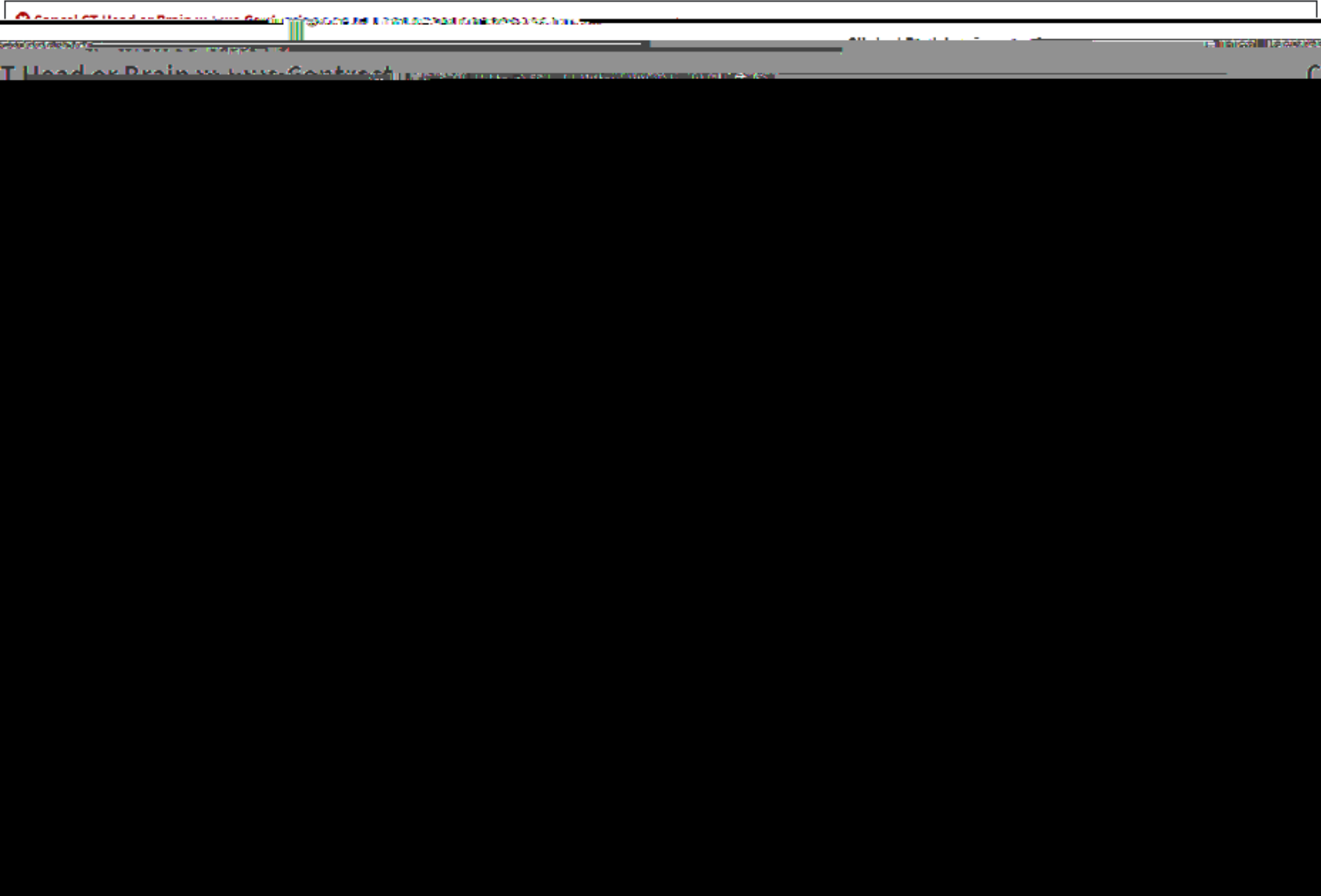
Headache



Review evidence for other procedures



Compare and choose procedure



AUC consultation details migrate to order

▼ Details for **CT Head or Brain w/ + w/o Contrast**

Details Order Comments Diagnoses

+ [Icons]

*Requested Start Date/Time: 03/06/2020 0935 CST

*Priority: Routine

Reason for exam: Headache, chronic, with new feat...

Special Instructions: [Text Area]

Consulting physician: [Search Field]

Pregnant: No

Transport mode: [Dropdown]

Sedation Type: [Dropdown]

[Buttons]

Outbound claim to CMS

