



ANATOMIC PATHOLOGY Epic Beaker AP Implementation 2026

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WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

- We are pleased to welcome Desiree Thompson as our Change Management Project Lead. Beginning the week of August 10, health system-wide broadcast communications planning will begin to support key project phases, including readiness, training, go-live, and adoption. These efforts will help ensure teams remain informed, engaged, and prepared throughout the transition to Epic Beaker AP.
- Leadership participated in the 90-Day Go-Live Readiness Assessment (GLRA) to evaluate overall preparedness, identify potential risks, and review key areas of focus as the organization continues to prepare for a successful Epic Beaker AP implementation and go-live.
- The Epic Beaker AP Implementation Clinical Change Playbook is now available for review. This resource highlights key workflow changes and supports teams as they prepare for go-live. [BMC Beaker AP Clinical Change Playbook.pdf](#)

OPERATIONAL UPDATES

The AP Epic Beaker implementation continues to make strong progress as we near completion of the build phase and prepare to enter our next major milestone—**testing**.

Over the past several months, project teams have worked collaboratively to design, configure, and refine workflows that will support our future-state anatomic pathology operations. As the build phase concludes, our focus will shift to validating that Epic Beaker functions as expected across real-world scenarios.

Testing is a critical step in the implementation process. Over the coming weeks, subject matter experts, operational leaders, and project team members will participate in structured testing activities to confirm workflows are accurate, integrated, and ready for production. Feedback gathered throughout this process will help identify and resolve issues, refine the system, and strengthen overall readiness for go-live.

Reaching this milestone reflects the continued collaboration and commitment of everyone involved. We appreciate the dedication of our teams and staff as we move closer to a successful transition to Epic Beaker AP.

IMPORTANT DATES & UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Date	What's Happening
9/14 – 9/18	Super User Training
9/21 – 10/24	End User Training
10/24 – 11/1	Remediation in the form of 1 on 1 coaching, hands on practice, additional review

Super User training will be offered either in person or virtually, depending on the specific role. End-user and non-laboratory staff training will be conducted virtually and accessed through Workday. Training assignments, schedules, and additional details will be communicated as they become available.

RESOURCES & QUESTIONS

- Epic Beaker AP project page: [Epic AP Beaker Implementation 2026 | Boston Medical Center](#)
- Training / resources: vickie.wagner@bmc.org
- Questions? Contact liam.donovan@bmc.org