40/20 Transfer of Data from EPIC to PRELIMS

Central Property and Evidence has original paper documentation (property control cards, photos, notes, disposal orders etc) corresponding with each item of evidence from 1932 to 2014 (2014 is the year our department transitioned to the web-based Property and Evidence Laboratory Information Management System (PRELIMS).

Due to the importance of evidence we cannot discard the paper documentation, which accounts for the chain of custody and provides accurate records in case an item or records are subpoena to court. All evidence and property that is dated pre-2014 has been stored in a DOS operating system (Evidence and Property Inventory Control (EPIC). In an effort to reduce bulky paper storage, maintain legible copies, and gain the ability to electronically retrieve/review the EPIC data, all EPIC data shall be transferred into the PRELIMS database.