In the earlier photo, this ED had the opportunity to build a new space. However, most Emergency Departments don’t have this luxury, so they get creative with existing space and cost-effective solutions. Start by reviewing a map of your current physical space. Then ask yourself: Since ED real estate is precious and our goal is to maximize the use of space, where do we have space we could convert to a Results Pending area?

Figure 3.9

This is the Results Pending area at John Peter Smith Health Network in Fort Worth, TX. Imagine this precious real estate as a supply closet a year earlier!