## Flat-based workflow

Your workflow can start with an imposed flat (PS, PDF, EPS) created in Preps, Pandora, InDesign, or other software.

**Note:** The flat-based workflow fails if the AutoFlatRefining and AutoFlatOutput process templates have been deleted from the Prinergy system.

- 1. Create a job.
- 2. Add a hot folder and associate it with a refine process template.
- 3. In the refine process template, ensure **Treat Input Files as Flat** is selected in the Impose section.
- 4. Drop the file into the hot folder.
  Prinergy refines the files into PDF flats and then displays flats as signatures in **Separations** view.
- 5. Manage colors separations (optional).
- 6. Proof the imposition by running an imposition output process template.
- 7. Make plates by running a final output process template.