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Introduction

VBECS is a Blood Bank application that facilitates ongoing compliance with Food and Drug Administration (FDA) standards for medical devices and enhances the VA's ability to produce high-quality blood products and services to veterans. The system follows blood bank standards, standards of national accrediting agencies, FDA regulations and VA policies.

VBECS 2.2.0 introduced a new interface for blood bank testing performed by blood bank instrumentation to VBECS. The implementation of the interface and its associated validation are described in this guide.

Unauthorized access or misuse of this system and/or its data is a federal crime. Use of all data must be in accordance with VA security and privacy policies.

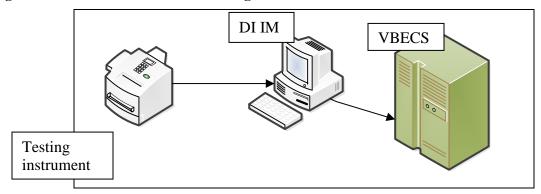
The U.S. FDA classifies this software as a medical device. Unauthorized modifications will render this device an adulterated medical device under Section 501 of the Medical Device Amendments to the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act. Acquiring and implementing this software through the Freedom of Information Act requires the implementer to assume total responsibility for the software and become a registered manufacturer of a medical device, subject to FDA regulations. Adding to or updating VBECS software without permission is prohibited.

Instructions in this Setup Guide must be followed for the interface to deliver information to VBECS. Local validation is required to confirm proper operation before use. Validation and verification is required to ensure connectivity to VBECS.

This guide is provided to assist you with the multi-faceted required setup of your local blood bank testing instrument(s), Data Innovations Instrument Manager (DI IM) and VBECS to electronically transmit instrument test results to VBECS for use in the transfusion service.

There are specific setup requirements to test and transmit those testing results to VBECS for review using DI IM (Figure 1).

Figure 1: Hardware and Interface Configuration

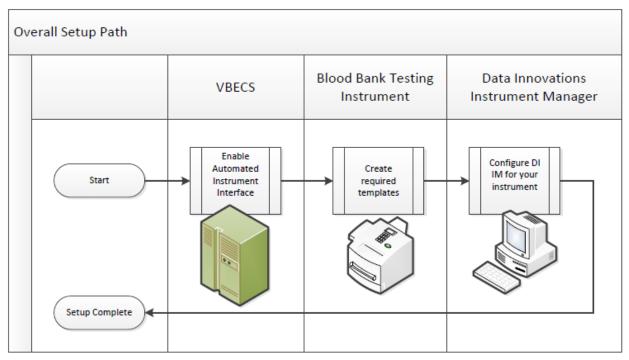


Your local testing instrument(s) communicates with DI IM via an instrument specific driver provided by DI that must be downloaded from DI and installed locally.

DI IM communicates directly with VBECS via a generic HL7 interface driver that must be downloaded from DI and installed, locally. This driver is customized for VBECS by downloading and installing the driver configuration file.

VBECS has an interface that must be configured in VBECS Administrator to receive messages from DI IM (**Figure 2**).

Figure 2: Setup Path



Related Manuals and Reference Materials

- VistA Blood Establishment Computer Software (VBECS) 2.2.0 Technical Manual-Security Guide
- Data Innovations Instrument Manager Manual
- Blood Bank Analyzer user's guide (Instrument Manual)



Set up Automated Instrument

1 Network Connectivity Setup

In order to ensure a proper functioning of an interface between an Automated Instrument and Instrument Manager, the Instrument needs to be connected to the VA network. The static IP Address and Port number has to be assigned to the Instrument (further referred in this document as <*Instrument IP*> and <*Instrument Port*>). Please refer to the Instrument Manual or contact your vendor for the instructions about how to perform this setup. Check with Local IT staff to establish the connection to Instrument Manager.

2 Testing Template Setup

If testing templates are not configured properly it will be impossible for instrument results to be accepted in VBECS.

Please refer to *Appendix D: Testing Templates* for the list of instrument templates. These test templates must be set up on your Instrument before any results can be sent to VBECS. Always use them for results that are sent to VBECS. Any results sent that do not follow the above templates will be rejected. Please refer to the Instrument Manual or contact your vendor for the instructions about how to perform template setup.

Please note that **Appendix D: Testing Templates** contains definition of two Crossmatch templates:

VBECS Crossmatch.pln – template for blood banks that perform IS and IAT crossmatch together

VBECS Crossmatch IAT.pln- template for blood banks that perform IAT only crossmatch (no Immediate Spin)

These two templates are mutually exclusive so please select only one that is appropriate for your site.

AABB Standards require a serological XM to detect ABO incompatibility (5.16.1) and a local policy must be in place if the site is not performing an IS AHG as part of their serologic crossmatch test, manual or using an instrument.

3 User ID Setup

Failure to set up proper user IDs on an instrument will prevent instrument results from being accepted in VBECS.

In order for VBECS to properly recognize the person who performed testing on an Instrument, all users accessing the instrument must have their user IDs set up to match their network user IDs (e.g., VHAISHBURNSK).

Due to the constraints of the ProVue messaging system, only 10 characters of the user name can be transferred with test results to VBECS. To ensure the uniqueness of all user names, please strip the front characters of network user ID to ensure that it is no longer than 10 characters long. For user IDs that are already 10 characters or shorter you can use full user ID in ProVue. For example:

Length of User ID	Example of User ID	ProVue ID	
12	VHASFCYOUNGS	SFCYOUNGS	
11	VHASFCTRANK	HASFCTRANK	
10 or less	VHASFCTSTU	VHASFCTSTU	

Please refer to the Instrument Manual or contact your vendor for the instructions about how to perform setup of user IDs.

Set Up Instrument Manager

1 Instrument Manager version

Please verify that you are using Instrument Manager Version 8.13 or greater (Figure 3). In Instrument Manager navigate to **Help -> About Instrument Manager**.

Figure 3: Instrument Manager Version Screen



If your version of Instrument Manger is older than 8.13 please <u>STOP</u> executing this guide and update the software first. **Do not proceed until the issue is resolved.**

If your Instrument Manager is greater than 8.13 you may proceed. The user must execute the instructions and validate functionality on newer version. Discrepancies in the instructions must be reported as a CA-SDM ticket. See **Appendix E**.

2 Instrument Manager to Automated Instrument Connectivity

Please contact your local network administrative staff and ensure that your local network allows two-way TCP/IP connectivity between *<Instrument Manager IP>* address and *<Instrument IP>* address on *<Instrument Port>*.

3 Installing Instrument Driver

Two drivers are required for the correct operation of the Automated Instrument interface to VBECS (Figure 4).

Figure 4: Required Drivers

Driver	Name	Version	Description
Diamed Diana	diadiani	8.00.0009	Instrument to DI IM driver
Data Innovations LLC, Configurable HL7	diihl7ml	8.00.0044	DI IM to VBECS (HL7) driver

Please refer to the user's manual for Instrument Manager or contact Data Innovations for the instructions on how to install drivers for Instrument Manager.

After successful installation of drivers, please go to **Report -> Available Drivers** menu option in Instrument Manager and verify that the drivers listed in Figure 4 are present.

4 Set Up Instrument Manager Configuration



Execute instructions in this section for each instrument that will be connecting to VBECS.

Modifying rules or test code mappings as imported using this Instrument Manager configuration Setup Guide may lead to malfunction of the Automated Instrument to VBECS interface.

Prerequisites for the Instrument Manager Configuration files download:

- You must be an administrator on *Instrument Manager Server*>.
- Once the above prerequisite is met you may proceed.

4.1 Download instrument configuration files

Use local procedures for copying the instrument configuration files to the Instrument Manager server.

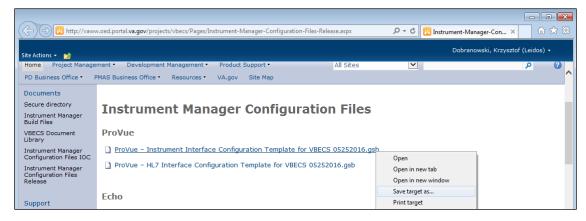
1. Navigate to http://vaww.oed.portal.va.gov/projects/vbecs/Pages/Instrument-Manager-Configuration-Files-Release.aspx (Figure 5).

Figure 5: Connecting to the VBECS Share



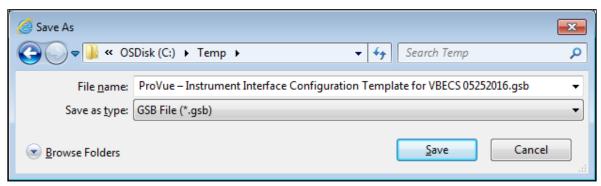
2. To download a file from the SharePoint, right-click on it and select **Save target as** (Figure 6).

Figure 6: Example of Save target as...



3. In the next screen, specify the directory to save (Figure 7).

Figure 7: Example of Save As



- Save both the ProVue HL7 Interface Configuration Template for VBECS 08172016.gsb and the ProVue – Instrument Interface Configuration Template for VBECS 08172016.gsb files to the C:\temp directory.
- 5. Per local procedures copy both files to C:\temp on the Instrument Manager server
- 6. On the Instrument Manager server; Click **Start**, and in the "Search programs and files" box type **Run** and hit enter. Type **Powershell** and click **OK** to launch PowerShell
- 7. Copy and paste or type the following commands to generate checksums for configuration files:



To copy, highlight the lines in grey and enter CTRL-C.

To insert the copied line into a PowerShell window, right click in the PowerShell window and select "Paste".

8. Verify that checksums for both files match those shown in **Figure 8**.

Figure 8: Instrument Manager Configuration File checksums

If the checksums do not match, stop and <u>file a national CA SDM ticket to coordinate assistance</u> with installation using the template in Appendix E. Do not proceed until the issue is resolved.

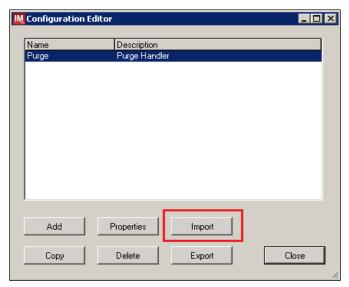
9. Close the **PowerShell** window.

4.2 Import Instrument side configuration

1. After downloading and verifying configuration files, open Instrument Manager and navigate to Configuration -> Configuration Editor.

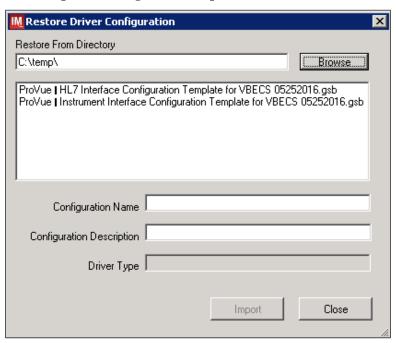
2. Click on the **Import** button (Figure 9).

Figure 9: Example of Configuration Editor



- 3. Once the import screen opens, click the **Browse** button and select **C:\Temp** folder (Figure 10).
- 4. Click OK.

Figure 10: Example of Configuration Import Screen



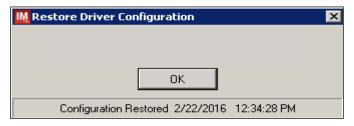
- 5. Select ProVue Instrument Interface Configuration Template for VBECS 08172016.gsb file from the list.
- 6. Enter **Configuration Name** that contains 3 letter location code of the instrument (e.g., **HIN** for Hines VAMC), word **ProVue** and sequence number (1 for the first instrument, 2 for the second etc.). Example Configuration Name for instrument configuration located at Hines would be:

HIN_ProVue_1

This configuration name will be further referred in this document as *<Instrument Side Configuration>*.

7. Enter **Configuration Description** and click **Import** button. Verify that the following confirmation window displays (Figure 11).

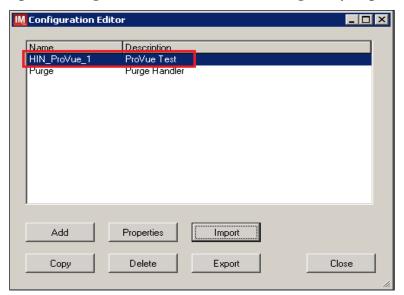
Figure 11: Example of Successful Configuration Import



If you are using newer version of the driver than the one mentioned in section 3, the Instrument Manager will warn you about the discrepancy in driver versions. Please acknowledge this warning and continue.

- 8. Click **OK** and close the **Restore Driver Configuration** window.
- 9. Verify that **Configuration Editor** shows the new configuration on the list (Figure 12).

Figure 12: Example of Configuration Editor Window Showing Newly Imported Configuration

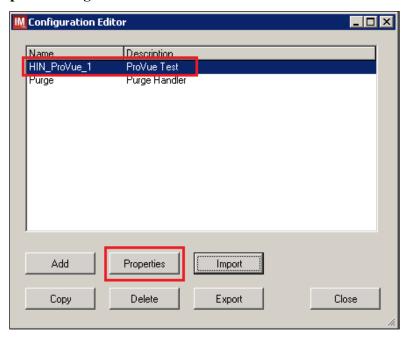


- 10. **Close** the Configuration Editor Window
 - 4.3 Modify test code mapping for instrument side configuration (only for sites that perform 2 Cell Antibody Screen)

Execute instructions in this section only if you perform Antibody Screen with 2 Screening Cells instead of 3.

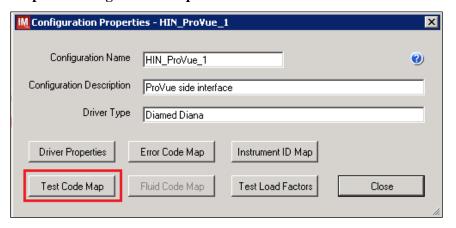
- 1. In Instrument Manager navigate to **Configuration -> Configuration Editor**.
- 2. Click on the **Properties** button (Figure 13)

Figure 13: Example of Configuration Editor Window



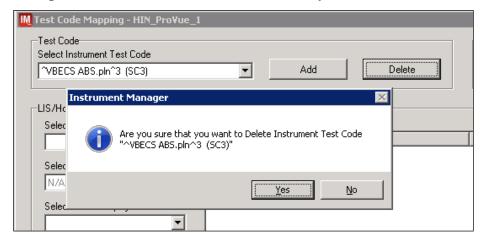
3. On the **Configuration Properties** window click on **Test Code Map** (Figure 14)

Figure 14: Example of Configuration Properties Window



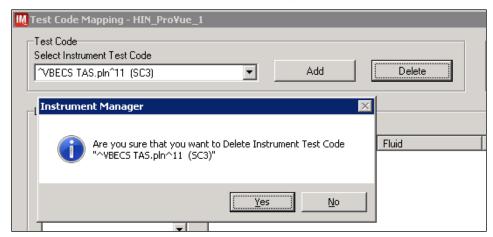
4. Using the dropdown in the upper left corner of the **Test Code Mapping** window select test code ^VBECS ABS.pln^3 (SC3) and click **Delete** button (Figure 15)

Figure 15: Example of deletion of SC3 test code for Antibody Screen



- 5. Click **Yes** to confirm deletion
- 6. Using the dropdown in the upper left corner of the **Test Code Mapping** window select test code **^VBECS TAS.pln^11 (SC3)** and click **Delete** button (Figure 16)

Figure 16: Example of deletion of SC3 test code for Type and Screen

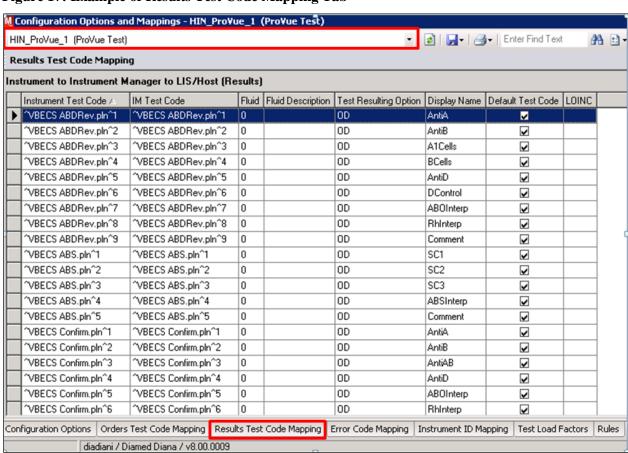


- 7. Click **Yes** to confirm deletion
- 8. Click Close on Test Code Mapping window
- 9. Click **Close** on **Configuration Properties** window
- 10. Click Close on Configuration Editor

4.4 Verify test code mapping for instrument side configuration

- 1. Navigate to **Reports** -> **Configuration Options and Mappings.**
- 2. Select the *Instrument Side Configuration Name* from the pull down menu (Figure 17)
- 3. Select the **Results Test Code Mapping Tab** (Figure 17: Example of Results Test Code Mapping Tab).
- 4. Verify the Results Test Code Mapping Report Tab matches the list in *Appendix A: Instrument Side Mapping*.

Figure 17: Example of Results Test Code Mapping Tab



If mismatches in Test Codes names, missing or extra Test Codes are encountered, <u>file a national</u>

<u>CA SDM ticket to coordinate assistance with installation using the template in Appendix E.</u>

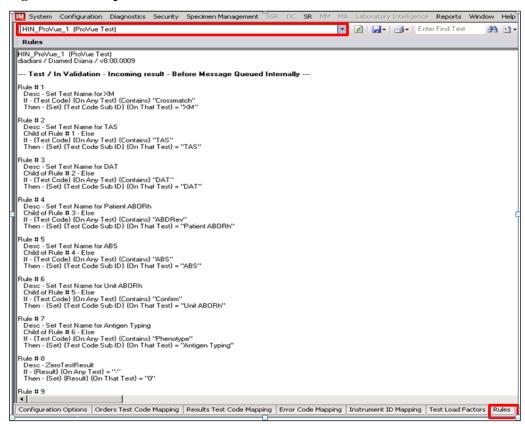
Do not proceed until the issue is resolved.

5. Close Configuration Options and Mappings window.

4.5 Verify rules

- 1. Next navigate to **Reports -> Configuration Options and Mappings.**
- 2. Select the *Instrument Side Configuration Name* from the drop-down in the upper left corner. (Figure 14).
- 3. Select the **Rules Tab** (Figure 18).
- 4. Verify the Rules Tab matches all rules listed in *Appendix C: Rules*.

Figure 18: Example of Rules Tab



5. Close the **Configuration Options and Mappings** window.

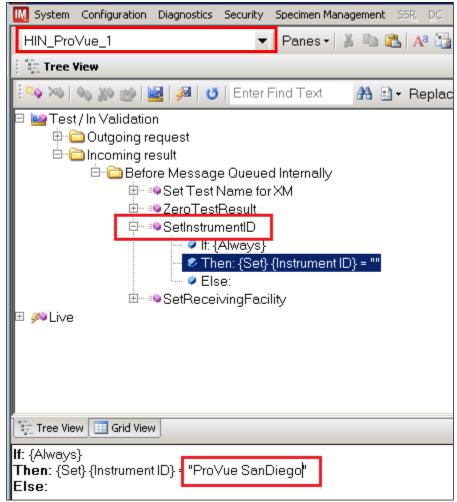
If mismatches in rules are encountered, <u>file a national CA SDM ticket to coordinate assistance</u> with installation using the template in Appendix E. Do not proceed until the issue is resolved.

4.6 Configure rules

In this section your will establish the name of the instrument associated with test results for VBECS reports. *If you are setting up multiple instruments, make sure that each has a unique name.*

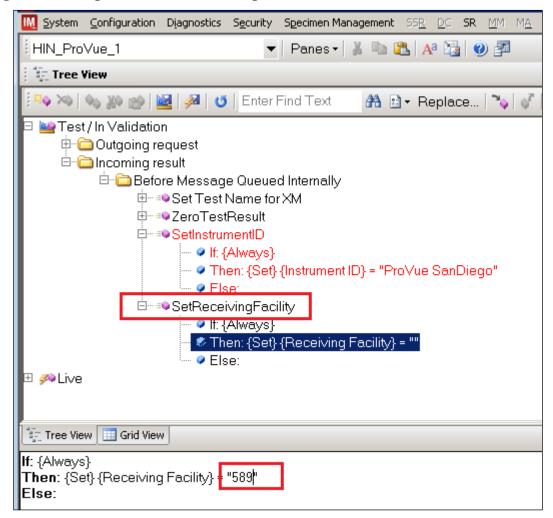
- 1. Navigate to Configuration -> Specimen Management Configuration -> Rules Processing.
- 2. Select < Instrument Side Configuration Name > from the pull down menu (Figure 15).
- 3. Locate rule **SetInstrumentID**.
- 4. Click on the **Then** line in the rule.
- 5. Modify the rule by typing **Instrument Name**> between the quotation marks as shown in the lower box (Figure 19).

Figure 19: Example of Instrument Name Setup



6. Locate rule **SetReceivingFacility**. Click on **Then** line in the rule. Modify the rule by typing the **Division Code**> between the quotation marks as shown (Figure 20).

Figure 20: Example of Division Code Setup



- 7. After the change was made, both rules' text should be displayed in red color on the screen.
- 8. Click on **Save Test / In Validation Rule Set** button located in the toolbar above the rules (Figure 21).

Figure 21: Example of Save Rules Button



9. Verify that the message is received (Figure 22).

Figure 22: Example of Successful Rule Save



If errors while saving rules are encountered, <u>file a national CA SDM ticket to coordinate</u> assistance with installation using the template in Appendix E. Do not proceed until the issue is resolved.

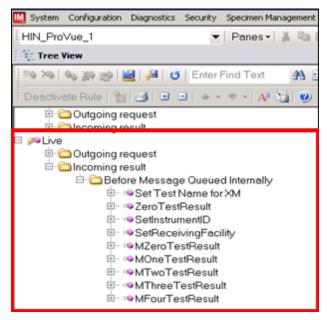
10. Click on the **Save Live Rule Set** button (Figure 23) located in the toolbar and click **Yes** to confirm.

Figure 23: Example of Save Rules in Live Set Button



11. Expand the **Live Rule Set**, and verify that rule text matches *Appendix C: Rules* and includes changes made to **SetInstrumentID** and **SetReceivingFacility** (Figure 24).

Figure 24: Example of Live Rules Set View



If differences in rules are encountered <u>file a national CA SDM ticket to coordinate assistance</u> with installation using the template in Appendix E. Do not proceed until the issue is resolved.

12. Close the **Rule Setup** window, returning to the main menu.

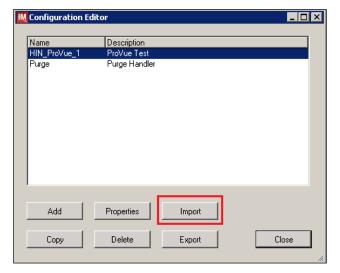
4.7 Import VBECS (HL7) side configuration

Only one VBECS side configuration is needed even if you use multiple ProVue instruments. All ProVues will share the same configuration.

Modifying rules or test code mappings in the Instrument Manager configuration outside of this Setup Guide is not allowed and may lead to malfunction of the Automated Instrument to VBECS interface.

- 1. Navigate to **Configuration -> Configuration Editor** (Figure 25).
- 2. Click on the **Import** button.

Figure 25: Example of Configuration Editor Window

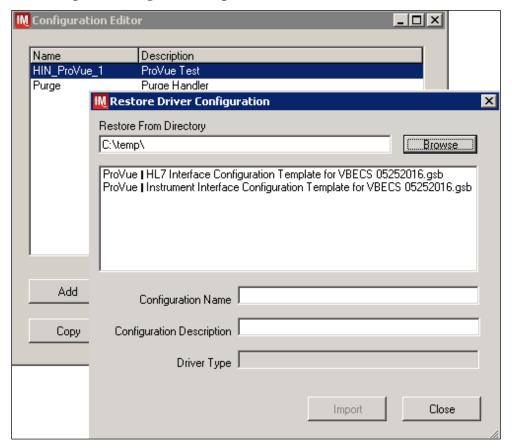


- 3. Once the **Restore Driver Configuration** window opens, click the **Browse** button and select **C:\Temp** folder (Figure 26).
- 4. Select **ProVue HL7 Interface Configuration Template for VBECS 08172016.gsb** file from the list.
- 5. Enter a **Configuration Name** that contains 3 letter location code of the instrument (e.g. **HIN** for Hines VAMC), word **VBECS** and sequence number (1 for the first configuration, 2 for the second etc.). Example Configuration Name for VBECS side configuration located at Hines would be:

HIN VBECS 1

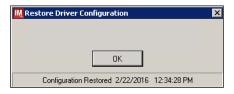
This configuration name will be further referred in this document as <**HL7 Side Configuration**>.

Figure 26: Example of Configuration Import Window



6. Enter **Configuration Description** and click **Import** button. Verify that the following confirmation window (Figure 27) displays.

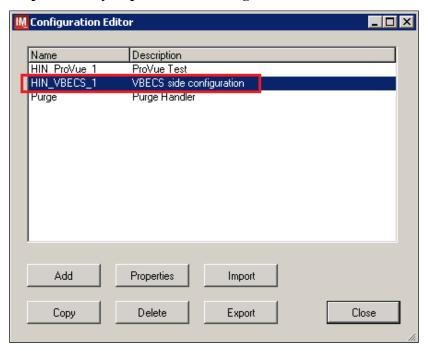
Figure 27: Example of Successful Configuration Import



If you are using newer version of the driver than the one mentioned in section 3, the Instrument Manager will warn you about the discrepancy in driver versions. Please acknowledge this warning and continue.

- 7. Click **OK** and close the **Restore Driver Configuration** window.
- 8. Verify that **Configuration Editor** shows the new configuration on the list (Figure 28).

Figure 28: Example of Newly Imported HL7 Configuration

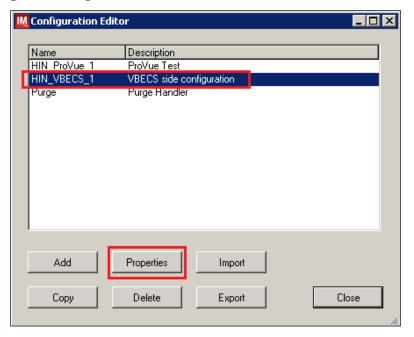


4.8 Modify test code mapping for VBECS side configuration (only for sites that perform 2 Cell Antibody Screen)

Execute instructions in this section only if you perform Antibody Screen with 2 Screening Cells instead of 3.

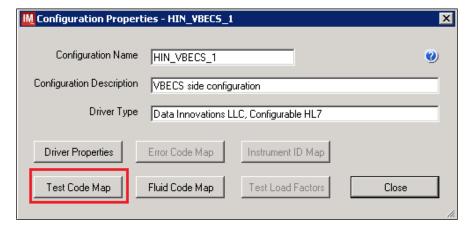
1. Select configuration imported in previous section and click on the **Properties** button (Figure 29)

Figure 29: Example of Configuration Editor Window



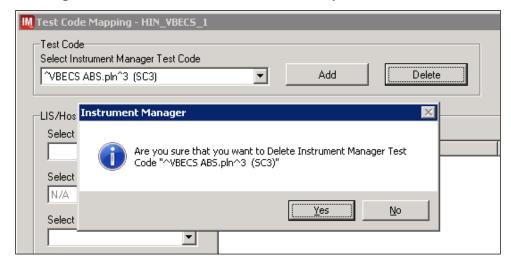
2. On the **Configuration Properties** window click on **Test Code Map** (Figure 30)

Figure 30: Example of Configuration Properties Window



3. Using the dropdown in the upper left corner of the **Test Code Mapping** window select test code **^VBECS ABS.pln^3** (SC3) and click **Delete** button (Figure 31)

Figure 31: Example of deletion of SC3 test code for Antibody Screen



- 4. Click **Yes** to confirm deletion
- 5. Using the dropdown in the upper left corner of the **Test Code Mapping** window select test code **^VBECS TAS.pln^11 (SC3)** and click **Delete** button (Figure 32)

Figure 32: Example of deletion of SC3 test code for Type and Screen

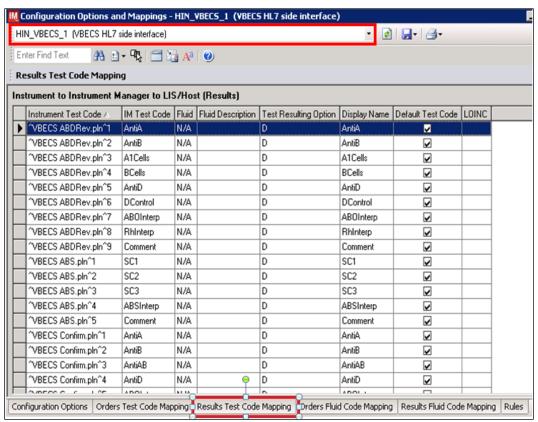


- 6. Click Yes to confirm deletion
- 7. Click Close on Test Code Mapping window
- 8. Click Close on Configuration Properties window
- 9. Click Close on Configuration Editor

4.9 Verify test code mapping for VBECS side configuration

- 1. Navigate to Reports -> Configuration Options and Mappings.
- 2. Select the *HL7 Side Configuration Name* from the drop-down in the upper left corner (Figure 25).
- 3. Select the Results Test Code Mapping Tab (Figure 33).
- 4. Verify that the Results Test Code Mapping Tab matches all rules listed in *Appendix B: HL7* (*VBECS*) *Side Mapping*.

Figure 33: Example of HL7 Configuration Report Window



5. Close **Configuration Options and Mappings** window.

If mismatches in Test Codes names, missing or extra Test Codes are encountered, <u>file a national</u>

CA SDM ticket to coordinate assistance with installation of the automated interface associated with

VBECS 2.2.0 using template in Appendix E. Do not proceed until the issue is resolved.

5 Set Up HL7 Connection to VBECS TEST

Modifying rules or test code mappings as imported using this Instrument Manager configuration Setup Guide may lead to malfunction of the Automated Instrument to VBECS interface.

- 1. Navigate to **Configuration -> Connection Assignment**.
- 2. On the **Connection Assignment** window click **Add** button.
- 3. Select **Configuration Name < HL7 Side Configuration >** (Figure 34).
- 4. Enter the **Connection Name** that matches the *<HL7 Side Configuration>* and word **Connection**. For example:

HIN_VBECS_1_Connection

- 5. Check **Include in Specimen Management** check box (Figure 34).
- 6. Select **TCP/IP connection** in Device (Figure 34).

M_Connection Properties - HIN_YBECS_1_Connection Number of Days to Keep Connection Name HIN_VBECS_1_Connection Incoming Messages Configuration Name HIN_VBECS_1 ▾ Outgoing Messages Site • Communications Trace Location Error Messages \blacksquare ✓ Start on System Start Driver Data 3 **P** Destination Line(s) Advanced Options Explode Coded Entries for this Connection ✓ Include in Specimen Management Default userid Update Specimen Management on Status Messages Include in Specimen Storage and Retrieval O NULL C COM TCP/IP Device Parameters .. Close

Figure 34: Example of Connection Properties Window

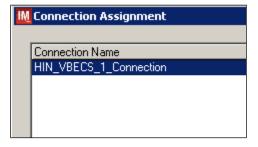
- 7. Click on **Device Parameters** button.
- 8. Enter TCP/IP Address and TCP/IP Port Number that matches VBECS TEST Application IP Address and IP Port Number configured in VBECS TEST Administrator application for Auto Instrument Interface (Figure 35). (Please refer to VistA Blood Establishment Computer Software (VBECS) 2.2.0 Technical Manual Security Guide for instruction on how to configure interfaces for VBECS.)

Figure 35: Example of TCP/IP Configuration Window



- 9. Close the **TCP/IP Port Configuration** window and click **Yes** to save.
- 10. Close the **Connection Properties** window and click **Yes** to save.
- 11. Verify that the newly created connection shows on the **Connection Assignment** window (Figure 36).

Figure 36: Example of Newly Created Connection



6 Set Up Instrument Connection



Execute instructions in this section for each instrument that will be connecting to VBECS.

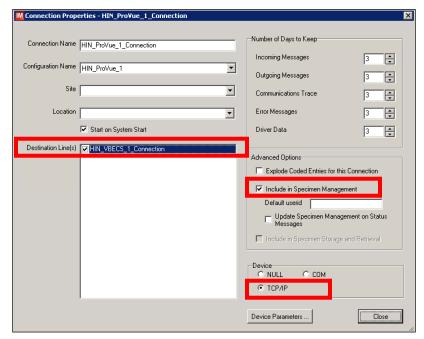
Modifying connection settings in the Instrument Manager outside of this Setup Guide is not allowed and may lead to malfunction of the Automated Instrument to VBECS interface.

- 1. On the **Connection Assignment** window, click **Add** button.
- 2. On the **Connection Properties** window, enter the **Connection Name**. Enter a name that contains *<Instrument Side Configuration>* and word **Connection**. For example:

HIN_ProVue_1_Connection

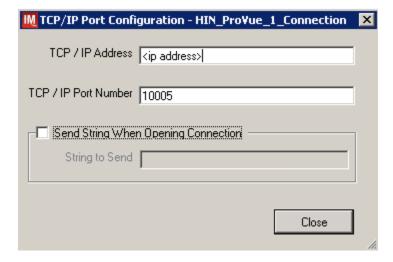
- 3. Select < Instrument Side Configuration > as Configuration Name.
- 4. Check **Include in Specimen Management** check box.
- 5. Select **TCP/IP connection**.
- 6. On the **Destination Lines** list, check the box next to connection configured in previous section (Figure 37).

Figure 37: Example of Connection Properties Window



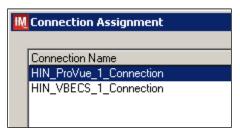
- 7. Click on **Device Parameters** button.
- 8. Enter TCP/IP Address and TCP/IP Port Number that matches < *Instrument IP*> and < *Instrument Port*> discussed in Section Network Connectivity Setup.
- 9. Uncheck **Send String When Opening Connection** check box (Figure 38).

Figure 38: Example of TCP/IP Configuration Window



- 10. Click close on the **TCP/IP Port Configuration** window and click **Yes** to save.
- 11. Click close on the **Connection Properties** window and click **Yes** to save.
- 12. Verify the newly created connection shows on **Connection Assignment** window (Figure 39).
- 13. Close the **Connection Assignment** window.

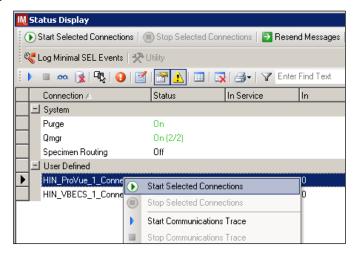
Figure 39: Example of Newly Created Connection



7 Test New Connections

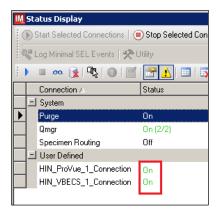
- 1. Navigate to **System -> Status**.
- 2. Right-click on each newly created connection and choose option to **Start Selected Connections** (Figure 40).

Figure 40: Example of Connection Status Window



3. Verify that all newly created connections are showing **Status** of **On** after about a minute or so. (Figure 41).

Figure 41: Example of Successful Connection Test



If one or more connections fail to start, <u>file a national CA SDM ticket to coordinate assistance</u> with installation of the automated interface associated with VBECS 2.2.0 using template in Appendix <u>E. Do not proceed until the issue is resolved.</u>

4. Close the **Status Display**.

8 Validate Instrument connectivity to VBECS TEST

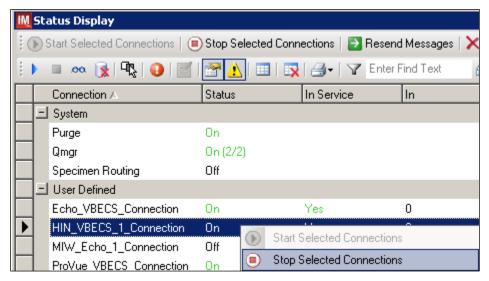
Execute validation instructions from Appendix F to verify that Instrument is properly interfacing with VBECS.

If one or more validation scenarios fail, <u>file a national CA SDM ticket to coordinate assistance</u> with installation of the automated interface associated with VBECS 2.2.0 using template in Appendix E. Do not proceed until the issue is resolved.

9 Set up HL7 Connection to VBECS PROD

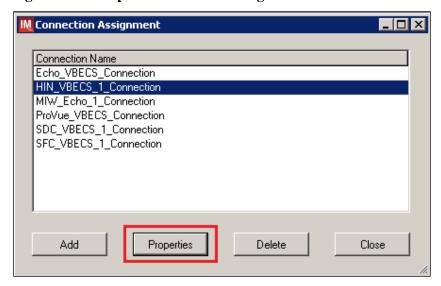
- 1. Navigate to System -> Status.
- **2.** Right-click **VBECS_Connection>** and choose option to **Stop Selected Connections** (Figure 42).

Figure 42: Example of Stop Selected Connections



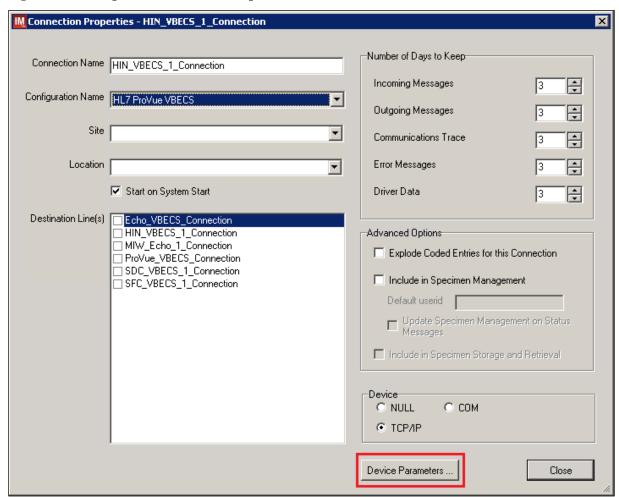
- **3.** Wait until connection status changes to **Off**. Navigate to **Configuration -> Connection Assignment.**
- **4.** Select **<VBECS_Connection>** and click **Properties** (Figure 43).

Figure 43: Example of Connection Assignment



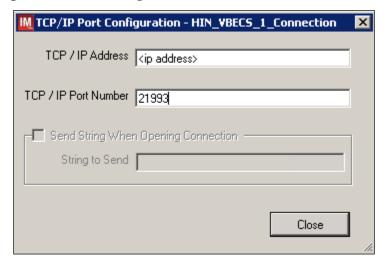
5. On Connection Properties window click Device Parameters (Figure 44).

Figure 44: Example of Connection Properties



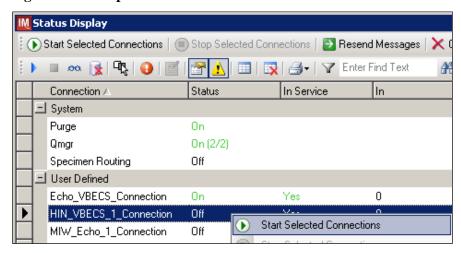
6. Enter TCP/IP Address and TCP/IP Port Number that matches VBECS PROD
Application IP Address and IP Port Number configured in VBECS PROD
Administrator application for Auto Instrument Interface (Figure 45). Please refer to VistA Blood Establishment Computer Software (VBECS) Technical Manual Security Guide for instruction on how to configure interfaces for VBECS.

Figure 45: Example of TCP/IP Configuration Window



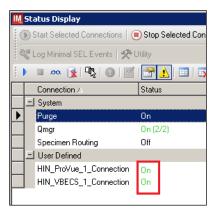
- 7. Close the **TCP/IP Port Configuration** and click **Yes** to confirm changes.
- 8. Close the **Connection Properties window** and click **Yes** to confirm changes.
- 9. Close the **Connection Assignment** window.
- 10. Navigate to **System -> Status**.
- 11. Right-click **VBECS_Connection>** and choose option to **Start Selected Connections** (Figure 46).

Figure 46: Example of Connection Status Window



12. Verify that **<VBECS_Connection>** is showing Status of **On** after about a minute or so. (Figure 47).

Figure 47: Example of Successful Connection Test



If connection fails to start, <u>file a national CA SDM ticket to coordinate assistance with</u> installation using template in Appendix E. Do not proceed until the issue is resolved.

13. Close the **Status Display** and Log Off the system.

Glossary

Acronym, Term	Definition	
Automated Instrument	Blood Bank Analyzer that performs blood testing.	
Division Code	Also known as Station Number in Vista is the unique alphanumeric code that is associated with each hospital (e.g. 589 for VA Heartland West).	
Instrument Manager (IM)	Software created by Data Innovations that serves as a middleware between Automated Instrument and VBECS. It translates messages containing test results sent from an instrument into HL7 messages that are then parsed into VBECS.	
VA	Department of Veterans Affairs.	
VBECS	VistA Blood Establishment Computer Software.	
VistA	Veterans Health Information Systems and Technology Architecture. VistA software, developed by the VA, is used to support clinical and administrative functions at VA Medical Centers nationwide. VistA is composed of packages that undergo a verification process to ensure conformity with name spacing and other VistA standards and conventions.	

Appendices

Appendix A: Instrument Side Mapping

Table 1: Instrument Side Mapping

Instrument Test Code	IM Test Code	Display Name
^VBECS ABDRev.pln^1	^VBECS ABDRev.pln^1	AntiA
^VBECS ABDRev.pln^2	^VBECS ABDRev.pln^2	AntiB
^VBECS ABDRev.pln^3	^VBECS ABDRev.pln^3	A1Cells
^VBECS ABDRev.pln^4	^VBECS ABDRev.pln^4	BCells
^VBECS ABDRev.pln^5	^VBECS ABDRev.pln^5	AntiD
^VBECS ABDRev.pln^6	^VBECS ABDRev.pln^6	DControl
^VBECS ABDRev.pln^7	^VBECS ABDRev.pln^7	ABOInterp
^VBECS ABDRev.pln^8	^VBECS ABDRev.pln^8	RhInterp
^VBECS ABDRev.pln^9	^VBECS ABDRev.pln^9	Comment
^VBECS ABS.pln^1	^VBECS ABS.pln^1	SC1
^VBECS ABS.pln^2	^VBECS ABS.pln^2	SC2
^VBECS ABS.pln^3*	^VBECS ABS.pln^3	SC3
^VBECS ABS.pln^4	^VBECS ABS.pln^4	ABSInterp
^VBECS ABS.pln^5	^VBECS ABS.pln^5	Comment
^VBECS Confirm.pln^1	^VBECS Confirm.pln^1	AntiA
^VBECS Confirm.pln^2	^VBECS Confirm.pln^2	AntiB
^VBECS Confirm.pln^3	^VBECS Confirm.pln^3	AntiAB
^VBECS Confirm.pln^4	^VBECS Confirm.pln^4	AntiD
^VBECS Confirm.pln^5	^VBECS Confirm.pln^5	ABOInterp
^VBECS Confirm.pln^6	^VBECS Confirm.pln^6	RhInterp
^VBECS Confirm.pln^7	^VBECS Confirm.pln^7	Comment
^VBECS Crossmatch IAT.pln^1	^VBECS Crossmatch IAT.pln^1	AHG
^VBECS Crossmatch IAT.pln^2	^VBECS Crossmatch IAT.pln^2	XMInterp
^VBECS Crossmatch IAT.pln^3	^VBECS Crossmatch IAT.pln^3	Comment
^VBECS Crossmatch.pln^1	^VBECS Crossmatch.pln^1	IS
^VBECS Crossmatch.pln^2	^VBECS Crossmatch.pln^2	AHG
^VBECS Crossmatch.pln^3	^VBECS Crossmatch.pln^3	ISInterp
^VBECS Crossmatch.pln^4	^VBECS Crossmatch.pln^4	AHGInterp
^VBECS Crossmatch.pln^5	^VBECS Crossmatch.pln^5	Comment
^VBECS DAT IgG.pln^1	^VBECS DAT IgG.pln^1	IgG
^VBECS DAT IgG.pln^2	^VBECS DAT IgG.pln^2	IgGInterp

Instrument Test Code	IM Test Code	Display Name
^VBECS DAT IgG.pln^3	^VBECS DAT IgG.pln^3	Comment
^VBECS DAT.pln^1	^VBECS DAT.pln^1	AHG
^VBECS DAT.pln^2	^VBECS DAT.pln^2	DATInterp
^VBECS DAT.pln^3	^VBECS DAT.pln^3	Comment
^VBECS Phenotype.pln^2	^VBECS Phenotype.pln^2	AntiC
^VBECS Phenotype.pln^3	^VBECS Phenotype.pln^3	AntiE
^VBECS Phenotype.pln^4	^VBECS Phenotype.pln^4	AntiK
^VBECS Phenotype.pln^5	^VBECS Phenotype.pln^5	Antic
^VBECS Phenotype.pln^6	^VBECS Phenotype.pln^6	Antie
^VBECS Phenotype.pln^9	^VBECS Phenotype.pln^9	Comment
^VBECS TAS.pln^1	^VBECS TAS.pln^1	AntiA
^VBECS TAS.pln^10	^VBECS TAS.pln^10	SC2
^VBECS TAS.pln^11*	^VBECS TAS.pln^11	SC3
^VBECS TAS.pln^12	^VBECS TAS.pln^12	ABSInterp
^VBECS TAS.pln^13	^VBECS TAS.pln^13	Comment
^VBECS TAS.pln^2	^VBECS TAS.pln^2	AntiB
^VBECS TAS.pln^3	^VBECS TAS.pln^3	A1Cells
^VBECS TAS.pln^4	^VBECS TAS.pln^4	BCells
^VBECS TAS.pln^5	^VBECS TAS.pln^5	AntiD
^VBECS TAS.pln^6	^VBECS TAS.pln^6	DControl
^VBECS TAS.pln^7	^VBECS TAS.pln^7	ABOInterp
^VBECS TAS.pln^8	^VBECS TAS.pln^8	RhInterp
^VBECS TAS.pln^9	^VBECS TAS.pln^9	SC1

^{*} test codes marked in yellow will not be present for sites that perform 2 Cell Antibody Screen

Appendix B: HL7 (VBECS) Side Mapping

Table 2: HL7 (VBECS) Side Mapping

Instrument Test Code	IM Test Code
^VBECS ABDRev.pln^1	AntiA
^VBECS ABDRev.pln^2	AntiB
^VBECS ABDRev.pln^3	A1Cells
^VBECS ABDRev.pln^4	BCells
^VBECS ABDRev.pln^5	AntiD
^VBECS ABDRev.pln^6	DControl
^VBECS ABDRev.pln^7	ABOInterp
^VBECS ABDRev.pln^8	RhInterp
^VBECS ABDRev.pln^9	Comment
^VBECS ABS.pln^1	SC1
^VBECS ABS.pln^2	SC2
^VBECS ABS.pln^3*	SC3
^VBECS ABS.pln^4	ABSInterp
^VBECS ABS.pln^5	Comment
^VBECS Confirm.pln^1	AntiA
^VBECS Confirm.pln^2	AntiB
^VBECS Confirm.pln^3	AntiAB
^VBECS Confirm.pln^4	AntiD
^VBECS Confirm.pln^5	ABOInterp
^VBECS Confirm.pln^6	RhInterp
^VBECS Confirm.pln^7	Comment
^VBECS Crossmatch IAT.pln^1	AHG
^VBECS Crossmatch IAT.pln^2	XMInterp
^VBECS Crossmatch IAT.pln^3	Comment
^VBECS Crossmatch.pln^1	IS
^VBECS Crossmatch.pln^2	AHG
^VBECS Crossmatch.pln^3	ISInterp
^VBECS Crossmatch.pln^4	AHGInterp
^VBECS Crossmatch.pln^5	Comment
^VBECS DAT IgG.pln^1	IgG
^VBECS DAT IgG.pln^2	IgGInterp
^VBECS DAT IgG.pln^3	Comment
^VBECS DAT.pln^1	AHG

Instrument Test Code	IM Test Code
^VBECS DAT.pln^2	DATInterp
^VBECS DAT.pln^3	Comment
^VBECS Phenotype.pln^2	AntiC
^VBECS Phenotype.pln^3	AntiE
^VBECS Phenotype.pln^4	AntiK
^VBECS Phenotype.pln^5	Antic
^VBECS Phenotype.pln^6	Antie
^VBECS Phenotype.pln^9	Comment
^VBECS TAS.pln^1	AntiA
^VBECS TAS.pln^10	SC2
^VBECS TAS.pln^11*	SC3
^VBECS TAS.pln^12	ABSInterp
^VBECS TAS.pln^13	Comment
^VBECS TAS.pln^2	AntiB
^VBECS TAS.pln^3	A1Cells
^VBECS TAS.pln^4	BCells
^VBECS TAS.pln^5	AntiD
^VBECS TAS.pln^6	DControl
^VBECS TAS.pln^7	ABOInterp
^VBECS TAS.pln^8	RhInterp
^VBECS TAS.pln^9	SC1

^{*} test codes marked in yellow will not be present for sites that perform 2 Cell Antibody Screen

Appendix C: Rules

Figure 48: Rules

--- Test / In Validation - Incoming result - Before Message Queued Internally ---

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Rule #1
 Desc - Set Test Name for XM
 If - {Test Code} {On Any Test} {Contains} "Crossmatch"
 Then - {Set} {Test Code Sub ID} {On That Test} = "XM"
Rule #2
 Desc - Set Test Name for TAS
 Child of Rule #1 - Else
 If - {Test Code} {On Any Test} {Contains} "TAS"
 Then - {Set} {Test Code Sub ID} {On That Test} = "TAS"
Rule #3
 Desc - Set Test Name for DAT
 Child of Rule # 2 - Else
 If - {Test Code} {On Any Test} {Contains} "DAT"
 Then - {Set} {Test Code Sub ID} {On That Test} = "DAT"
Rule #4
 Desc - Set Test Name for Patient ABORh
 Child of Rule #3 - Else
 If - {Test Code} {On Any Test} {Contains} "ABDRev"
 Then - {Set} {Test Code Sub ID} {On That Test} = "Patient ABORh"
Rule #5
 Desc - Set Test Name for ABS
 Child of Rule #4 - Else
 If - {Test Code} {On Any Test} {Contains} "ABS"
 Then - {Set} {Test Code Sub ID} {On That Test} = "ABS"
 Desc - Set Test Name for Unit ABORh
 Child of Rule #5 - Else
 If - {Test Code} {On Any Test} {Contains} "Confirm
 Then - {Set} {Test Code Sub ID} {On That Test} = "Unit ABORh"
Rule #7
 Desc - Set Test Name for Antigen Typing
 Child of Rule #6 - Else
 If - {Test Code} {On Any Test} {Contains} "Phenotype"
 Then - {Set} {Test Code Sub ID} {On That Test} = "Antigen Typing"\
Rule #8
 Desc - ZeroTestResult
 If - {Result} {On Any Test} = "-"
 Then - {Set} {Result} {On That Test} = "0"
Rule #9
 Desc - SetInstrumentID
 If - {Always}
 Then - {Set} {Instrument ID} = ""
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Rule # 10
 Desc - SetReceivingFacility
 If - {Always}
 Then - {Set} {Receiving Facility} = ""
Rule # 11
 Desc - MZeroTestResult
 If - {Result} {On Any Test} = "M-"
 Then - {Set} {Result} {On That Test} = "0"
Rule # 12
 Desc - MOneTestResult
 If - {Result} {On Any Test} = "M1+"
 Then - {Set} {Result} {On That Test} = "1+"
Rule # 13
 Desc - MTwoTestResult
 If - {Result} {On Any Test} = "M2+"
 Then - {Set} {Result} {On That Test} = "2+"
Rule # 14
 Desc - MThreeTestResult
 If - {Result} {On Any Test} = "M3+"
 Then - {Set} {Result} {On That Test} = "3+"
Rule # 15
 Desc - MFourTestResult
 If - {Result} {On Any Test} = "M4+"
 Then - {Set} {Result} {On That Test} = "4+"
```

Appendix D: Testing Templates

Table 3: Testing Templates

Template Name	Selected Fields	VBECS Test	Test Component
VBECS ABDRev.pln	Α	Patient ABO/Rh	Anti-A
·	В		Anti-B
	A1 Cell		A1 Cells
	B Cell		B Cells
	D		Anti-D
	Ctl		D Control
	Group		ABO Interp
	Rh		Rh Interp
	Remarks		Comments
VBECS ABS.pln	Cell1	Antibody Screen	Screening Cells1
VBECS ABS.piii	Cell2	Antibody Screen	Screening Cells2
	Cell3		Screening Cells 3
	AbScr		ABS Interp
\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\	Remarks		Comments
VBECS TAS.pln	A	Type and Screen	Anti-A
	В		Anti-B
	A1 Cell		A1 Cells
	B Cell		B Cells
	D		Anti-D
	Ctl		D Control
	Group		ABO Interp
	Rh		Rh Interp
	Cell1		Screening Cells1
	Cell2		Screening Cells2
	Cell3		Screening Cells 3
	AbScr		ABS Interp
	Remarks		Comments
VBECS DAT.pln	IgGC3	DAT	AHG
VBEOO B/(1.piii	DAT	Ditti	DAT Interp
	Remarks		Comment
VBECS DAT IgG.pln		DAT IgG	IgG
VBECS DAT 1gg.pin	IgG	DATIGO	
	DAT IgG		DAT IgG Interp
\/DE00.0=====	Remarks	0	Comment
VBECS Crossmatch IAT.pln**	XIAT	Crossmatch	AHG
	XM IAT		XM Interp
	Remarks		Comments
VBECS Crossmatch.pln**	XIS	Crossmatch	IS
	XIAT		AHG
	XM IS		IS Interp
	XM IAT		AHG Interp
	Remarks		Comments
VBECS Confirm.pln	Α	Unit ABO/Rh	Anti-A
'	В	Confirmation	Anti-B
	AB		Anti-A,B
	D		Anti-D
	Fwd Gr		ABO Interp
	Rh		Rh Interp
	Remarks		Comments
	I/CIIIaIN9	1	COMMENIA

Template Name	Selected Fields	VBECS Test	Test Component
VBECS Phenotype.pln	D Phen*	Patient and Unit	N/A
	C	Antigen Typing	Anti-C
	E		Anti-E
	K		Anti-K
	sm c		Anti-c
	sm e		Anti-e
	Ctl Phen*		N/A
	Rh Phen*		N/A
	Remarks		Comment

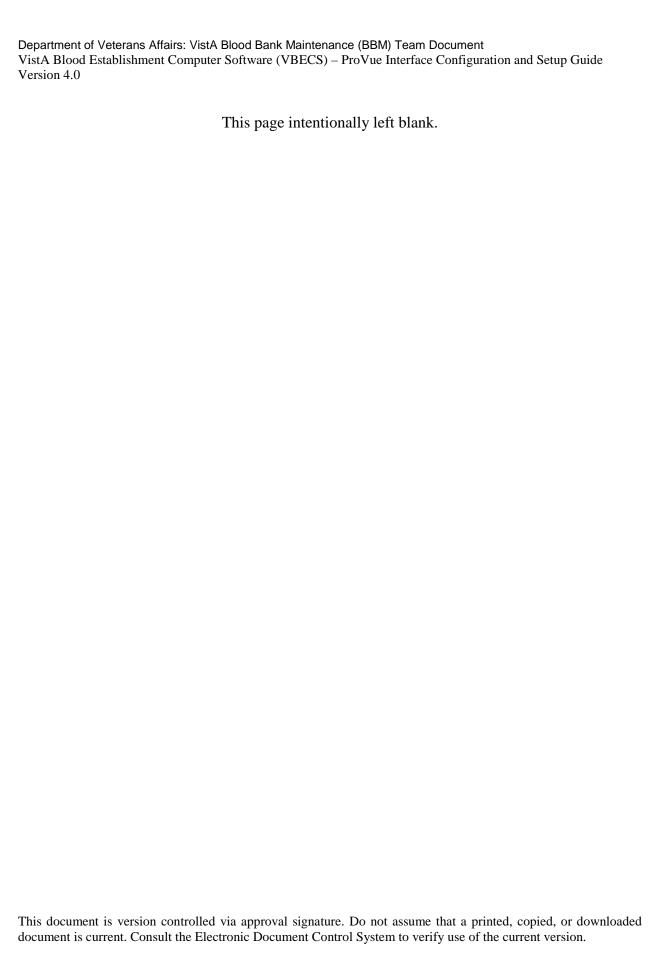
^{*}Test results not used in VBECS. They are on the template to allow users to print them if necessary.

^{**} VBECS Crossmatch IAT.pln and VBECS Crossmatch.pln are mutually exclusive. Please setup only one that is appropriate for your site

Appendix E: CA SDM Support Ticket Template

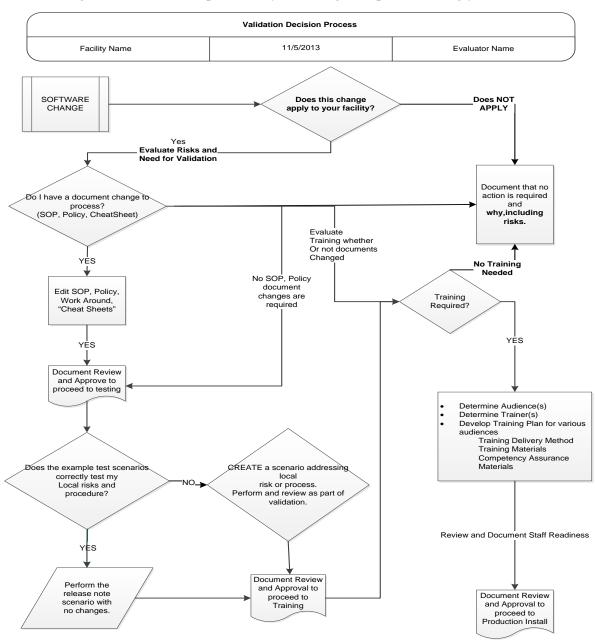
Please use the following to complete your ticket:

- <u>Incident area:</u> NTL.APP.HealtheVet VistA.VBECS 2_0
- Summary: VBECS 2.2.0 Automated Instrument configuration assistance request
- Description:
 - o Enter contact information for the main blood bank and the name of the responsible individual(s) for all communications.
 - o Enter preferred date and time.
- **Property Questions:** Respond NO to the required questions.
- Group: automatically fills in correctly do not change it from. *NTL Alert Blood Bank & VBECS*
- Add additional information as required.



Appendix F: Validation Planning and Example Test Scenarios

The following is a flowchart to help assess any one change and plan accordingly.



These are examples of test scenarios. Each site is responsible for evaluating changes for their intended use, assess risk, and for establishing additional validation test scenarios.

All test scenarios have a suggested user role, this may require adjustment to align with the patient or unit data selected to execute the scenario. Process any overrides as well, based on patient or unit selection.

*The Expected Outcome numbering corresponds to the Step number where the change verification appears.

Test Group One: Al interface disabled

Test Objective: Demonstrate that the system will reject test results sent from automated instrument if the Automated Instrument interface is disabled.

Option: VBECS Administrator, Automated Instrument Interface

At least one instrument available in any division and configured for connection with VBECS via Instrument Manager.

Note: This may be executed at only one division if VBECS is used in a multidivisional configuration as the interface is enabled/disabled for all or none.

Data	Before beginning, verify current configuration, activity, and status of the existing interfaces, VistALink, and CPRS in your test account. Make sure that the VBECS-OERR HL7 link in VistA is NOT shutdown. 1. Create RBC and TAS orders in CPRS and accept them in VBECS.
User	VBECS Administrator access is required to configure the AUTOMATED TESTING interface. No specific user role is required to process TAS and RBC orders in VBECS.
Steps	 Log into VBECS Administrator: Disable the AUTOMATED TESTING interface using Configure Interfaces option. A message appears (You are about to disable Auto Instrument Interface. It will cause VBECS to stop sending and receiving messages via that interface. Continue?), Click Yes. Close the window as all fields are disabled. Perform TAS test on the instrument and send results of testing to VBECS
Expected Outcome	Verify that after sending test results from an instrument fails it is possible to complete TAS test using manual testing grids and subsequently issue and transfuse blood unit to a patient.
Reports:	6. Review the Audit Trail report for changes to the interface.

Test Group Two: Verify AI individual test(s)

Test Objective: Demonstrate that the system will allow the selected user role to perform normal workflow activities using your local blood bank testing instrument.

Note: Validate all tests that are performed at your site using an automated instrument.

Prior to initiating any testing of the automated instrument interface, see the VistA Blood Establishment Computer Software (VBECS) 2.2.0 Technical Manual-Security Guide for instructions for configuring your local instrument and Data Innovations Instrument Manager.

Configure your Test UID to clearly differentiate from a Production UID during your validation, for example, production is 1234567890, with 123 being your consistent prefix, change 123 or 12 to TS or TST or 999. Please change the Numeric Identifier for the Blood Bank Accession Area in your site Test Account.

Enable Automated Instrument Interface in VBECS Admin if it was disabled while performing testing in Test Group One.

Verify your VBECS processes with the Automated Instrument interface.

Your local test plan will demonstrate that the system will perform normal daily work per your local policies, procedures and local validation plan that may include:

Blood Units: Automated Instrument or via the short cut key



- ABO-Rh confirmation
- Unit Antigen Typing or Repeat

Patients: Automated Instrument or via the short cut key



- Perform a Type and Screen test (ABS and ABS with Auto-control only)
- Perform crossmatch tests: Serologic (Selected in Blood Units: Select Units before testing.*)
- Patient Tests:

ABO/Rh or Repeat

Antibody Screen or Repeat

Direct Antiglobulin Test or Repeat

Antigen Typing or Repeat

- Overrides, (ABO/Rh Discrepancy, Crossmatch incompatible: Give with Medical Director Approval)
- Report data from these actions is available for retrieval.

Testing Worklist Report

Patient History Report

Unit History Report

Exception Report (ABO/Rh Discrepancy, Give with Medical Director Approval)

*Remember to click NO to proceeding to the serologic crossmatch when selecting units for automated instrument testing.

Test Group 2 Scenario 1: Verify AI TAS test Note: the Type and Screen (TAS) is a combination of two tests and may be saved as individual tests without completing the TAS as a whole. VBECS: Select a patient. CPRS: Place a Type and Screen (TAS) order for the patient Data LAB: Accession the order VBECS: Accept the order. (Orders, Accept Orders) No specific user role is required to process TAS order in VBECS. User 1. User checks the Patient testing list to make sure the order is accepted in VBECS and appears on the Pending Task List (PTL). (Patient, Patient Testing, Diagnostic Tests). 2. Close the PTL. Process the specimen on the instrument using the recommended TAS template for that instrument. Complete all work needed to transmit the information to VBECS. Select Patients. Automated Instrument to review TAS results. Select the specimen UID, scanning the UID is preferred. **Steps** Review TAS test results. 7. Accept only the ABS or ABO/Rh test. Close the window. 8. Open the PTL. 9. Try to select TAS on PTL and complete testing on it manually. 10. Open the Automated instrument window and accept the second part of TAS. 11. Close the automated instrument window. 12. Check Reports 5. Verify that the specimen UID is selectable by scanning, entry or patient selection Verify that the correct test results appear on the Automated Instrument review list. Verify that the TAS appears on the PTL with a status of "Instrument Results Pending Review". Verify that system prevents user from completing TAS since they are still pending results from **Expected** an instrument for it. Outcome 12. Verify that the results and comments appear as expected on the reports: **Testing Worklist Report** Patient History Report **Exception Report**

Test Gro	up 2 Scenario 2: Verify Al serologic crossmatch test
Data	VBECS: Select a patient. CPRS: Place a Type and Screen (TAS) order and Red Blood Cell order for the patient LAB: Accession the orders VBECS: Accept the order. (Orders, Accept Orders) Process the TAS to completion. Select a blood unit for a selected patient*: • Previously entered into the division's inventory (Blood Units, Incoming Shipment) • ABO compatible • May be available or selected for another patient (available, selected, crossmatched) status. • May or may not trigger selection overrides *Remember to click NO to proceeding to the serologic crossmatch when selecting units for automated instrument testing.
User	No specific user role is required to process crossmatch test in VBECS.
Steps	 Process the component unit's specimen on the instrument using the recommended template for that instrument. Complete all work needed to transmit the information to VBECS. Select Patients, Automated Instrument to review crossmatch results. Select the specimen UID, scanning the UID is preferred. Review results, select compatibility and accept crossmatch result. Print or do not print tag as desired. Accept the test and close the automated instrument window. Check Reports.
Expected Outcome	 4. Verify that crossmatch results sent from an instrument show correctly on the screen. 7. Verify that the results and comments appear as expected on the reports: Testing Worklist Report Patient History Report (interpretations only). Exception Report

	up 2 Scenario 3: Verify Al patient diagnostic tests ody Screen, Direct Antiglobulin Test, Patient Antigen Typing, and the reflex test)
Data	VBECS: Select a patient. CPRS: Place a diagnostic test order for the patient LAB: Accession the order VBECS: Accept the order. (Orders, Accept Orders)
User	No specific user role is required to process diagnostic tests in VBECS.
Steps	 User checks the Patient testing list to make sure the order is accepted in VBECS and appears on the Pending Task List (PTL). (Patients, Patient Testing, Diagnostic Tests). Close the PTL. Process the specimen on the instrument using the recommended testing template for that instrument. Complete all work needed to transmit the information to VBECS. Select Patients, Automated Instrument to review test results. Select the specimen UID, scanning the UID is preferred. Review and accept test results Close the automated instrument window. Check reports.
Expected Outcome	 Verify that the specimen UID is selectable by scanning, entry or patient selection. Verify that patient test results sent from an instrument show correctly on the screen. Verify that the results and comments appear as expected on the reports: Testing Worklist Report Patient History Report Exception Report

Test Gro	up 2 Scenario 4: Verify Al blood unit tests	
Data	VBECS: Select a blood unit previously entered into the division's inventory (Blood Units, Incoming Shipment). For ABO/Rh Confirmation testing on the instrument, unit should be in a Limited status. For Unit Antigen Typing, the unit may or may not have been confirmed.	
User	No specific user role is required to process blood unit tests in VBECS.	
Steps	 Process the component unit's specimen on the instrument using the recommended template for that instrument. Complete all work needed to transmit the information to VBECS. Select Blood Units, Automated Instrument to review test results. Select the blood component unit's Donor Identification Number (DIN), scanning the DIN is preferred. Select the product code (if there are multiple blood units with the same product code) Review the transmitted blood unit test. Accept the test and close the automated instrument window. Check Reports 	
Expected Outcome	 5. Verify that blood unit test results show correctly on the screen. 7. Verify that the results and comments appear as expected on the reports: Testing Worklist Report Unit History Report (interpretations only). Exception Report 	