

Enrollment System (ES) 4.6

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1. Introduction

The mission of the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Office of Information and Technology (OI&T), Enterprise Program Management Office (EPMO) is to provide benefits to Veterans and their families. In order to meet this overarching goal, OI&T is charged with providing high quality, effective, and efficient IT services and operations and maintenance (O&M) to persons and organizations that provide point-of-care services to our Veterans.

The VA's goals for its Veterans and families include:

- Making it easier for Veterans and their families to receive the right benefits, and meeting their expectations for quality, timeliness, and responsiveness.
- Improve the quality and accessibility of health care, benefits, and memorial services while optimizing value.
- Provide world-class health care delivery, by partnering with each Veteran to create a personalized, proactive strategy to optimize health and well-being, while providing state of the art disease management.
- Ensure awareness and understanding of the personalized, proactive, and patient-driven health care model through education and monitoring.
- Provide convenient access to information regarding VA health benefits, medical records, health information, expert advice, and ongoing support needed to make informed health decisions and successfully implement the Veteran's personal health plans.
- Receive timely, high quality, personalized, safe, effective, and equitable health care, not dependent upon geography, gender, age, culture, race, or sexual orientation.
- Strengthen collaborations with communities and organizations, such as the Department of Defense (DoD), Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), academic affiliates, and other service organizations.

In order to assist in meeting these goals, the Enterprise Health Benefits Determination (EHBD) program will provide enterprise wide enhancements and sustainment for the following systems/applications:

- The Enrollment System (ES) assists Veterans to enroll for VA healthcare benefits and is the core application that feeds other VA systems with Enrollment and Eligibility (E&E) data.
- Income Verification Match (IVM) assists in determining priority grouping for healthcare eligibility.
- VistA Registration, Eligibility & Enrollment (REE) shares information with other VistA applications and enables registration and eligibility determinations and enrollment at VA Medical Centers (VAMC).
- Veteran's On-Line Application (VOA) enables Veterans to self-enroll in VA healthcare.

Enrollment System Modernization defines health benefit plan(s) for which a client (Veteran, Service member, or beneficiary) is eligible and ties them to the authority for care. Key enhancements to be completed include Pending Eligibility Determination, fixes to the Enrollment system, Date of Death, Internal Controls, Workflow, Veterans Financial Assessment,

converting of Military Service Data Sharing (MSDS) to Enterprise Military Information Service (eMIS), Manage Relationships, and Veteran Contact Service.

2. Purpose

The purpose of this Release Notes document is to support the release of Enrollment System (ES) 4.6. The Enrollment Health Benefits Determination (EHBD) Program provides enhancements to the Enrollment System. This ES 4.6 release, developed in Java technology, will have Enrollment System Modernization (ESM) development efforts, including enhancements to support Community Care.

3. Audience

This document targets users and administrators of ES 4.6 and applies to the changes made between this release and any previous release for this software.

4. This Release

ES will be upgraded from Version 4.5.1 to Version 4.6 and hosted at the Austin Information Technology Center (AITC). This upgrade will improve the user experience and the performance of ES.

The following VistA patches will be released in association with the ES 4.6 release:

1. DG*5.3*925: Add and/or Edit residential address in VistA
2. DG*5.3*931: Store Future Discharge Date in VistA
3. DG*5.3*934: Eligibility Status Health Level 7 (HL7) Error Removal
4. DG*5.3*936: Send Community Care Information (Health Benefit Plans) to VistA
5. DG*5.3*939: Date of Death

These VistA patches will be deployed to Initial Operating Capability (IOC) sites beginning 4/17/17 and completing 05/26/2017. National release is scheduled for 06/05/2017 through 7/3/17.

The following sections provide a summary of the new features and functions, enhancements and modifications, to the existing software, and any known issues for ES 4.6.

4.1. Enhancements and Modifications to Existing

The enhancements and modifications in the ES 4.6 release include the following:

Note: The shaded RM #s: 788092, 788104, 788105, 788106, 788107, 788108, 788111, 788112, 788113, and 788114, will be implemented in an upcoming release.

Table 1: Enhancements and Modifications in ES 4.6

RTC RM #	Title	Description
773022	Manage Date of Death Information	Changed the Date of Death Source of Notification label 'SPOUSE/NEXT OF KIN/OTHER PERSON' to 'SPOUSE/NOK/OTHER PERSON.
773023	Manage Unverified Dates of Death	Users can manage the Date of Death information from receipt through processing and verify if a Veteran's enrollment status is correct and to ensure that only appropriate correspondence and communication occur.
773051	Enter Manual Future Discharge Date Entry	Users may manually enter Future Discharge Date Entry on the Military Service tab
773052	Edit Future Discharge Date	Users may edit a Future Discharge Date for a Veteran on the Military Service tab.
773053	Delete Future Discharge Date	Users may delete a Future Discharge Date for a Veteran on the Military Service tab.
773054	Audit Future Discharge Date Changes	All changes made to any Future Discharge Date are visible.
773060	Query DoD Every 7 Days	After a Future Discharge Date has been entered into ES, ES will query the Enterprise Military Information Service (eMIS) every seven (7) days for a maximum of ninety (90) days.
773062	Report Future Discharge Date Requirements	Report Future Discharge Date requirements.
788076	Search by Member ID	Search for Veteran by Electronic Data Interchange Personal Identifier (EDIPI)/Member ID to view Veteran's record in ES is enabled.
788077	View Member ID on the Banner	EDIPI/Member ID is added to the banner.
788079	View Community Care History	A History screen is available to view the Community Care History.
788080	View Current and Historical Information from Community Care	A History screen is available to view the Community Care History.

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	Manual Process	
788090	Modify Person Search Criteria Order	Users may search for a person by Member ID.
788091	View Member ID on Identity Page	The Member ID was added to the Person Demographics Identity Traits tab as a view only field.
788092	Obtain PSSG (Planning Systems Support Group) Information	New interface with the Planning Systems Support Group (PSSG) to send and receive geocoding information to determine mileage that will be used in the decision of Eligibility for Community Care health benefit plans.
788093	Add new and/or Edit Residential Address	The "Purpose of Use" field was added to the Address tab.
788095	Standardize and Validate Residential Address	Real-time address validation via eCIS for residential, confidential, mailing, and temporary address types.
788096	Address Updates to eCIS	Real-time address validation via eCIS for residential, confidential, mailing, and temporary address types.
788097	Receive Validated Address Updates	The "CASS Certification" (Coding Accuracy Support System) field can be processed in an incoming HL7 or Web services message.
788100	Real Time Validation of Addresses	Real-time address validation via eCIS for residential, confidential, mailing, and temporary address types.
788104	Process Distance Information from PSSG	New interface with the Planning Systems Support Group (PSSG) to send and receive geocoding information to determine mileage that will be used in the decision of Eligibility for Community Care Health Benefit Plans.
788105	Send Records to PSSG	A new interface between ES and PSSG is through database tables. An ES Windows server inserts Veteran records into a designated table, PSSG reads the records from that table, performs the geocoding, then places the geocoding, address updates, and driving distance data for each record received from ES.
788106	Query CDW for Time Eligible Information	Data is retrieved from the Corporate Data Warehouse (CDW) and used in the eligibility decisions for Community Care Health Benefit

RTC RM #	Title	Description
		Plans.
788107	Process Time Eligibility	Data is retrieved from the Corporate Data Warehouse (CDW) and used in the eligibility decisions for Community Care Health Benefit Plans.
788108	Assign and/or Unassign Health Benefit Plans	Users may select or change Health Benefit Plans and communicates the Plan or Plan changes to VistA.
788111	Real Time Notification of Changes to Eligibility	Marks new or updated addresses for geocoding. Creates a Bulletin for failed address certifications.
788112	Record Information Sent to Community Care Contractors	New batch job that creates the files for Veterans who are eligible for community care and those who are not eligible for community care that are sent to the Third Party Administrators.
788113	Record Information Sent to Community Care Contractors	New batch job that creates the files for Veterans who are eligible for community care and those who are not eligible for community care that are sent to the Third Party Administrators.
788114	ES Automate Batch Transmission to TPA	New batch job that creates the files for Veterans who are eligible for community care and those who are not eligible for community care that are sent to the Third Party Administrators. It may be scheduled or run manually.
862090	ES-eMIS 02.02.06 Automatically Update Military Service Query Status	Screen Label changes to the Military Service tab to change MSDS to eMIS.

Defect fixes include the following:

Table 2: Defects Fixed in ES 4.6

RTC #	Summary
464842	AAP DGEN add alert bulletin going to all sites of record
305033	ES Updates to support Self-Identified Gender Identity
466618	Fortify: Resolve ESM Critical Priority Security Vulnerabilities
466619	Fortify: Resolve ESM High Priority Security Vulnerabilities
475568	ES sometimes deletes Date of Death from MVI

4.2. Known Issues

Defects identified and that remain open in this release include the following:

Table 3: Open Defects in ES 4.6

RTC CM #	Summary
458639	The Military Service page Help screen reflects the old SEND QUERY TO MSDD SERVICE label and content. Misspelling of the word "WeService" should be "WebService" Send Query to eMIS Broker should be SEND QUERY TO EMIS SERVICE
493942	ESM_2.0_ES FDD Schedule Report Detailed Report Sort By function is not working
494594	ESM_2.0_ES FDD When adding a person, and adding an FDD record, the required fields are not being marked correctly with the asterisk symbol
495337	ESM_2.0_ES FDD Reports Time is missing in Date/Time Run in the Report Headers
496468	ESM_2.0_ES FDD If the FDD is deleted in ES and there is no MSE or other ZMH entry, the HL7 ORU-Z11 does not have a ZMH line which does not allow the FDD to be deleted in VistA
496582	Address from VOA and VistA not being sent to eCIS
496586	ESM - DOD - Does not displays asterisk for Death Notification Source when DOD field value is entered
496612	Green Check Mark for Active Address is not working properly for the address coming from VOA
497575	ESM_2.0_ES FDD ES does not delete the FDD when a Record is returned from eMIS with the same Branch of Service and Service Entry Date
497994	UFT issues for Online Help items
493935	ESM_2.0_ES FDD Detailed Report Sort By field names display incorrectly
493708	DG*5.3*925 V2 Missed requirement labels not updated when using DG Address Update option
492249	Time Eligibility table displaying VISN database ID
500116	Future Discharge Date Detailed Report is missing information

5. Product Documentation

The following documents apply to this release:

ES 4.6 User Guide and ES 4.6 Release Notes are uploaded to the [VA Software Document Library](#) (VDL).

Additional reference documentation related to this release is stored in Rational Team Concert.