# Release Notes for VHA Enrollment System - VES 6.10.0

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The mission of the Department of Veteran Affairs (VA) Office of Information and Technology (OIT) Development, Security, and Operations is to provide benefits to Veterans and their families. In order to meet this overarching goal, OIT 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:

* Make 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.

To assist in meeting these goals, the Eligibility and Enrollment (E&E) program will provide enterprise-wide enhancements and sustainment for the following systems/applications:

* The VHA Enrollment System (VES) is the authoritative system for VA enrollment and Community Care static eligibility determinations.
* Income Verification Match (IVM)/Enrollment Database (EDB) assists in determining priority grouping for health care eligibility.
* Veterans Information Systems and Technology Architecture (VistA) Registration, Eligibility & Enrollment (REE) shares information with other VistA applications and enables registration and preliminary eligibility determinations and enrollment at VA Medical Centers (VAMC). VES makes the final eligibility determinations.

The Veteran’s On-Line Application (VOA), now referred to as Health Care Application (HCA), enables Veterans to self-enroll in VA health care and is another entry point for records to be added to VES.

E&E defines VHA Profiles (VHAP) for which a client (Veteran, Service Member, or beneficiary) is eligible and ties them to the authority for care.

## Change Requests

| **Key** | **Summary** |
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| VES-10646 | Veteran Medical Benefit Plan (VMBP): Extended Care (EC) |
| VES-16442 | Vietnam Military Service Episode Dates |
| VES-30191 | Change Rejected Label to Deferred |
| VES-35700 | Update 1010EZ/EZR Forms and Add TERA Fields |
| VES-39681 | Enable Confidential Address |

## Epics

| **Key** | **Summary** | **Description** |
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| VES-16902 | Vietnam Military Service Episode Dates (VES) | 2001 of Public Law 116-315, enacted 1/5/2021, changed the definition of the term "Vietnam era". 38 U.S.C. §101(29) has been updated.  Previous Definition  (A) The period beginning on February 28, 1961, and ending on May 7, 1975, in the case of a veteran who served in the Republic of Vietnam during that period.  (B) The period beginning on August 5, 1964, and ending on May 7, 1975, in all other cases.  New Definition  (A) The period beginning on November 1, 1955, and ending on May 7, 1975, in the case of a veteran who served in the Republic of Vietnam during that period. |
| VES-20953 | Claims Processing and Eligibility (CP&E): Generate and Send Denial Letter to Person in VFMP System | As a Veteran Family Medical Program (VFMP) Eligibility system, I need the ability to generate notification correspondence indicating the reason(s) for denial and appeal rights, so that I can communicate via correspondence reasons for denial and appeal rights. |
| VES-21051 | CP&E: Indicate Additional Documents to be Enclosed with the Generated Correspondence in VFMP System | As a VFMP Eligibility system, I need the ability to indicate, as part of the correspondence, additional documents that are to be "enclosed" with the generated correspondence, so that I can include additional documents to be "enclosed" with the generated correspondence. |
| VES-21058 | CP&E: Send Automatic Denial Correspondence from VFMP System | As a VFMP Eligibility system, I need the ability to send automatic denial correspondence based on the specific denial reason in order to comply with the Appeals Modernization process, so that I can send automatic denial correspondence for eligibility. |
| VES-21348 | CP&E: CP&E Migration for CHAMPVA Standard (M-Development) | Migration of Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Department of Veterans Affairs (CHAMPVA) Standard |
| VES-21636 | CP&E: Process CHAMPVA Remarried Widow | Process CHAMPVA Remarried Widow |
| VES-21637 | CP&E: Process CHAMPVA Medicare Rules Phase 2 | Process CHAMPVA Medicare Rules Phase 2 |
| VES-23169 | CP&E: Send CP&E Eligibility Plus Files | Send CP&E Eligibility Plus Files |
| VES-25575 | CP&E: Standard CHAMPVA Batch Process | Standard CHAMPVA Batch Process RSD |
| VES-26457 | CP&E: Manage Spina Bifida Eligibility | Manage Spina Bifida Eligibility |
| VES-29674 | CP&E: VFMP Overview Screen Support for CWVV and SB | VFMP Overview Screen - Add Children of Women Vietnam Veterans (CWVV) and Spina Bifida (SB) VFMP Overview Screen Support for CWVV and SB |
| VES-29676 | CP&E: View VFMP Sponsor Information - CWVV and SB | View VFMP Sponsor Information - CWVV and SB |
| VES-29688 | CP&E: Manage VFMP Sponsor SB and CWVV Information | Manage VFMP Sponsor SB and CWVV Information |
| VES-29689 | CP&E: View VFMP Beneficiary Spina Bifida Program | View VFMP Beneficiary Spina Bifida Program |
| VES-29691 | CP&E: View VFMP Beneficiary Children of Women Vietnam Vets Program | View VFMP Beneficiary Children of Women Vietnam Veterans Program |
| VES-29703 | CP&E: Eligibility End and Restart Changes (all VFMPs) | Eligibility End and Restart Changes |
| VES-33369 | VMBP: EC - (Phase 4): Automate assignment of extended care carveout VHAPs, display extended care summary information on the main Overview tab, and prevent patients with no EC eligibility from accessing extended care functionality. | As an Enrollment System User, I need the system to automate assignment of extended care carveout VHAPs and display extended care summary information on the main Overview tab. I also need the system to prevent patients with no EC eligibility from accessing extended care functionality. |
| VES-34354 | Change Rejected label to Deferred (VES) | Update label from Rejected to Deferred throughout VES. |
| VES-37078 | Update 1010EZ/EZR Forms and Add TERA Fields to VES UI | Update 1010EZ/EZR forms in VES when new forms are published (specific to TERA updates) and va.gov is updated. Under Toxic Exposure Risk Activity add certain fields when Yes is selected. |
| VES-40001 | Enable Confidential Address (VES) | As an end user I need to have the ability to edit or submit a Veteran's confidential address in VES. |

## Bugs

| **Key** | **Summary** |
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| VES-18578 | “SSN should be entered” popup should not be displayed for non-Vet during Add a Person |
| VES-38109 | Associates not processing from online 10-10EZR/VOA service |
| VES-40655 | HL7 message Z07 segment failing with generic “null” exception |
| VES-42117 | System is allowing user to enter non-alphanumeric characters in "Other" textbox |
| VES-42154 | Address critical CodeQL findings in HECMS\_wsclient\_das |
| VES-42155 | CodeQL Scan Server-side request Forgery - DASPRQ.java |
| VES-42156 | CodeQL Scan Server-side request Forgery - DASOHI.java |
| VES-42157 | CodeQL Scan Server-side request Forgery - DASRatingServiceImpl.java |
| VES-42339 | CodeQL Scan Server-side request Forgery - RatingDataServiceImpl.java |
| VES-42666 | Section 508: Job Access With Speech (JAWS) does not correctly read the rows for Rated SC Disabilities on the Eligibility tab |