

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
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

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Epics

Key	Summary	Description
VES-16902	Vietnam Military Service Episode Dates (VES)	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>
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 CWV and SB	VFMP Overview Screen - Add Children of Women Vietnam Veterans (CWV) and Spina Bifida (SB) VFMP Overview Screen Support for CWV and SB
VES-29676	CP&E: View VFMP Sponsor Information - CWV and SB	View VFMP Sponsor Information - CWV and SB
VES-29688	CP&E: Manage VFMP Sponsor SB and CWV Information	Manage VFMP Sponsor SB and CWV 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

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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
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