What's New in SSIS Version 15.4?
December 2015

Highlights:

Architecture
The Searches/Logs menu has been reorganized to keep more like functions together. No options were removed.

Table Viewer is available from SSIS Admin Tools menu. Users with Administer system Role/Function can access Table Viewer.

An automatic prompt generates if SSIS is installed on a workstation without Microsoft .NET Framework installed. After the .NET framework is installed, SSIS installs normally.

To accommodate an issue with email report functionality for Windows 8 configurations a “Save As” button is incorporated on the print preview screen. This allows users to save to the local drive as needed and then email the report.

Child Foster Care Report/Flipping Claims
Flipping Claims functionality has been added to the Child Foster Care Claims Report. SSIS will reverse or “flip” a Title IV-E and/or Northstar claim when data related to the claim changes and that change invalidates all or part of a claim. Training documentation will be available a few days before the training on December 8 and includes examples of flipping claims.

Security functions for creating and submitting the Child Foster Care Report have changed from Create IV-E Abstract Report and Submit IV-E Abstract Report to Create Child Foster Care Rpt and Submit Child Foster Care Rpt. Roles with these functions will update automatically.

If your connection to SSIS DHS is down, you will be unable to generate the Child Foster Care Report. Message “SSIS DHS connection is down. Cannot generate the Child Foster Care Report. Try again later.” will display.

The column “Payment Quarter” on the Child Foster Care Claims tab on the Child Foster Care Report and on the Child Foster Care Claims Search has been changed to “Payment Period” to more closely reflect how data will display on the Northstar Care Fiscal Reconciliation.

New Manage Grid Settings reports have been created to assist in balancing claim information to the Remittance Advice tab and the IV-E payment from FOD.

Documents
The following new documents are available under Person > Documents:
MAPCY Assessment Notice – Caregiver FC to Permanency (RTF header required)
Extraordinary Level Approval Notice FC to Permanency (No header required)

The following Chronology documents have new or updated language regarding credit reports for youth in foster care ages 14 to 17:
Notice to Parent(s) Child in Voluntary Treatment Foster Care
Notice to Parent(s) American Indian Child in Voluntary Placement
Essential Community Supports
New BRASS subprogram code 675 – Adult – Essential Community Supports is available from the Program dropdown in Intake, Workgroup Setup, Contact/Activity and Purge.

Healthcare Eligibility Reports
Healthcare Eligibility Reports display the ICD-10 code type, Diagnosis codes, and up to 100 character description.

ICD-10 Healthcare Claiming and Reporting Changes
Optional column “Purpose” added to the Time Proofing grid. Data originates from the Time Record “Purpose” field.


Optional column “Exclusion” added to the Payments - Not Automated Potentially Billable report.

MAPCY
A. Refined scoring for all children designed to more closely meet the targeted distribution, with an emphasis on scoring changes for children ages 0-6. This will tend to increase MAPCY levels for a number of children, focused on the 0-6 group in particular.

B. Text changes to strengthen the MAPCY assessment’s inclusion of children’s medical needs in Domains A, B, C and D.

C. Scoring changes in Domain F, to permit selection of parenting indicators for children age 3 and under (previously for these very young children, this domain was auto-scored and no indicators could be selected, no matter what the caregiver provided).

D. MAPCY templates are updated for this release.
   • MAPCY’s created prior to V15.4 that are draft/pending agency approval cannot be edited or approved. It is necessary to “Copy MAPCY”, reset to draft and then delete the old version of the MAPCY. (Extraordinary Levels need to be re-entered for new MAPCY)
   • Previously approved MAPCY’s can be reassessed or revised by using “Copy MAPCY” or “Create Revised MAPCY.” (Extraordinary Levels needs to be re-entered for new MAPCY)
E. Within the Documents folder under the Person node, two new MAPCY documents are available:

- MAPCY Assessment Notice-Caregiver FC to Permanency (RTF header required)
- Extraordinary Level Approval Notice FC to Permanency (No header required)

These notices are used to notify pre-kinship and pre-adoptive parents that a MAPCY and/or Extraordinary Levels increase is approved for a child/youth transitioning from Legacy foster care to a Northstar Permanency option.

F. Note: when creating the first MAPCY for a placement that occurs within the first 30 days of the Continuous Placement, the Purpose selected on the MAPCY setup screen should always be “Foster Care Benefit Level”. If any other purpose is selected, the system will not calculate the correct Effective Date for the MAPCY, which will cause problems when trying to pay the provider the Emergency Benefit Level rate for the first 30 days of the placement.

To prevent the situation in SSIS V16.1, a new business rule will be implemented. The worker will get an error message when saving the setup screen when the following conditions apply:

- The Purpose selected is “Initial Permanency Benefit Level (NAA or NKA)”
- The question “Is there placement data to autofill?” is answered “Yes”
- It’s the first MAPCY for the placement, and
- The Placement start date is within 30 days of the Continuous Placement start date

Programs and Services

Descriptions of Program codes for CADI 173 and 673 changed to “Child – Community Access for Disability Inclusion” and “Adult – Community Access for Disability Inclusion” effective 10/01/2015.

This change was also made in the “Workgroup Type” column in the Retention Period in County Preferences (SSIS Admin).

BRASS Changes for 2016 – 2017:

A. New Service 457 – Child Family Psychoeducation for Program 420 – Children’s Mental Health starting 07/01/2014, is available.

B. Service 196 – Adoptions has a new description “Adoptions & Kinship” starting 01/01/2016.

Trauma Prescreen

Trauma Prescreen is a DHS pilot and is available for specific counties only. Children served by the child welfare system are extremely vulnerable to traumatic events given that trauma may have led to their system involvement. The prescreen for trauma exposure pulls data from existing safety and risk assessment tools and combines it with child age and prior placement history in order to provide the social worker with a level of trauma exposure rating. The social worker will review the report and indicate review date and actions taken. The goal is to identify children with potentially higher levels of trauma exposure so that they may be referred for additional screening or services as needed.
Workers may generate the Trauma Prescreen from the CP Assessment workgroup menu once all Risk and Safety Assessments are finished. After the Trauma Prescreen generates, the Risk and Safety Assessments are finalized and each child’s report is located under the CMH Screening and Assessment node.

The Trauma Prescreen also generates automatically for each child in a CP Assessment workgroup when the worker

- closes or transitions the workgroup
- manually finalizes a Risk or Safety Assessment and all other Risk and Safety Tools are finalized.

**Service Arrangements**

“Use other vendors” is editable when Service 180, 181 or 188 and one of the following Special cost codes are selected on a Service Arrangement:

- 03 – Transportation, non-medical
- 04 – Transportation, medical
- 15 – Education transportation (Pre-K – 12 only)
- 99 – Miscellaneous, unspecified

**Service Plans**

Updates to the OHPP include a new screen – Youth’s Rights (Age 14 and older)

**Vulnerable Adult**

A new tab labeled “Victim Information” displays on the Adult Maltreatment Report. Victim-related fields from the Adult Maltreatment Report tab display on the new tab, in addition to the following two new fields: “Needs Assistance” and “Receives Services.”

A new tab labeled “Impact/Effect on VA” displays on the Adult Maltreatment Report. At least one checkbox must be selected in order to complete the Adult Maltreatment Report.

The Referral tab displays changes to accommodate multiple investigative agencies. The “Lad Investigative Agency” section displays a grid with all of the LIAs and report status. Emergency Protective Services agencies no longer display in the “Lead Investigative Agency” section.