



## WHAT'S NEW: SSIS V23.1, Statewide Release

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## Adult Protection

### Adult Protective Services | Program Type

The "Program" on APS Intakes and Workgroups can no longer be changed to any other program.

An adult who is the subject of an Adult Maltreatment Report (AMR) referred by MAARC is required to have an Adult Protection Intake or Assessment Workgroup under Program Type 610. This system change supports policy established by the MN legislature to serve adults who meet APS program criteria as vulnerable and potentially maltreated using the tools and policy required under the Vulnerable Adult Act (VAA). This change also supports tracking outcomes and resources needed for adults referred to APS.

If the adult referred by MAARC is not accepted for APS because the adult does not meet policy criteria as vulnerable and suspected of experiencing maltreatment, or if the report was not accepted for APS based on the agency's prioritization guidelines, but the agency identifies a service need for the person subject to the report, the agency may offer services under another program type. Close the APS intake under 610 Adult Protective Services as Screened out maltreatment report and create a NEW intake for the program type in which the person is being served. i.e. 600-Adult Services (General), 400-Adult Mental Health, 300-Chemical Dependency (General), etc. The AMR will not be accessible in the new program type. Information from the AMR or APS intake activities necessary for the new program referral will need to be case noted in the new intake.

### Adult Maltreatment Report | Allegations

1. The allegation "Determinations" list includes the following changes:
  - a. Two new determinations added: No Determination - Adult Protective Services Needed; No Determination - Adult Protective Services Not Needed
  - b. "Neglect self" allegation determinations list filtered to include these options:
    - i. No Determination - Not a Vulnerable Adult
    - ii. No Determination - Investigation Not Possible
    - iii. No Determination - Adult Protective Services Needed
    - iv. No Determination - Adult Protective Services Not Needed
  - c. All other allegations determinations list filtered to include these options:
    - i. False; Inconclusive
    - ii. No Determination - Not a Vulnerable Adult
    - iii. No Determination - Investigation Not Possible
    - iv. Substantiated
2. Appeals "Determination" filtered for all allegations to include these options:
  - a. False; Inconclusive
  - b. No Determination - Not a Vulnerable Adult
  - c. Substantiated
3. The following "Determinations" options are updated to display in book title capitalization:
  - a. No Determination - Investigation Not Possible

- b. No Determination - Not a Vulnerable Adult
- 4. Please refer to the [MN Adult Protection Policy Manual](#) Assessment Responses and Completion of Assessment and Determination sections for policy guidance on the application of the NEW determinations.

## Child Maltreatment

### Child Maltreatment Report | Allegations

When viewing Allegation grid in the CMR "Determination Date" and "Severity" columns never had values, as they could have multiple values for an allegation; these columns were removed from the grid options.

## Documents

The Race data, including tribal status, will not be shown twice on forms that have them in a table. "Description of Incident" in various printed reports, when quite large, was importing all the text markup language that was in and for the system, making it unreadable for humans. The editor system in SSIS was modified to accommodate the larger size.

### Adoption Placement Decision Summary

- o updated with new Update statutory references in the document, no changes to set up
- o expanded the options for sanctions or conditional licensing, provide additional information about sibling placement, and other cosmetic changes
- o the merge field did not display the Child's name on page 8 has been corrected

### [New Template | APS Assessment Notice of No Determination](#)

The "APS Assessment Notice of No Determination" template is the case closure communication provided to the adult who is vulnerable following completion of an assessment of self-neglect with the determination of "No Determination – Adult Protective Services Needed" or "No Determination – Adult Protective Services Not Needed".

- a. The content will include information about their strengths, needs, service interventions, safety plan, if applicable, and resources available to prevent further maltreatment.
- b. As this is a new template, it will require agencies to attach headers to the template.
- c. This version does not have prompts from the APS Strengths and Needs SDM tool or the Interventions Tab from the Adult Maltreatment Report Tab. However, there are instructions within the template for how to provide that information. These instructions should be deleted after editing the Notice.
- d. A more robust template will be available in a subsequent release.

## Placement

### Continuous placement | Removal conditions

Safe Place for Newborns relinquishment of parental rights

- Re-labeled to- Anonymous infant abandonment– Safe Place for Newborns <7 days
- Added help text to clarify definition of Safe Place for Newborns

### Continuous placement | Discharge Reasons

Reestablishment of the legal parent and child relationship

- Re-labeled to- Reestablishment of the legal parent and child relationship after TPR

New Discharge Reason: Add Residing with non-removal parent/guardian

Added Help text to define all discharge reasons

### QRTP Documentation | QRTP Extended Placement Review

The QRTP Extended Placement Review calculation function is available with this release. The calculation will use potentially certified QRTP placements with active LNDX licenses as part of the calculation. A warning message has been added to the Placements/Locations/Absences screen and will display when a potentially QRTP certified placement is entered, with a Bus Org/Provider, that does not have an active LNDX license on or after the placement start date or change effective date, if it involves a Bus Org or Provider change

### QRTP Documentation | QRTP Extended Placement Review (EPR) Screen Field Updates:

**Current QRTP Placement:** This field has been updated to display the current QRTP placements in descending order by placement start date. The default will be the current or most recent potentially certified QRTP placement at the time the screen is created.

**Review Date:** This field has been updated to set the date to the current date when the approver changes the status of the Review using the action menu options.

**Calculate Review Period Detail:** This function is now available and will calculate reviews based on the age of the child on the first day of the review period and the number of days in QRTP placement. For the purpose of these Reviews, only dates in potentially certified QRTP placements with active LNDX licenses and Title IV-E group provider rate records showing certification to provide QRTP services will be included.

The review period calculation function and the Child Foster Care Report use similar logic for determination of review period timelines. It is recommended that the timelines returned by the review calculation function remain as calculated in order to maintain the claiming timelines.

The manual process is unchanged, but should only be used in consultation with an SSIS Mentor and the SSIS Help Desk if an issue has been identified with the calculation for a specific child.

**QRTP Extended Placement Review Help Text:** This help text has been updated with detailed EPR timeline information for both the manual process and the calculation.

## QRTP Documentation | QRTP Extended Placement Review Alerts

QRTP EPR alerts will be system generated when a child, who is or has been in potentially certified QRTP placement, is within 30 days of the end of a review period timeline. The alert will indicate the expected review timeline for the child, and the 'Through date' when the Review is due. It is possible for multiple timelines to trigger alerts on the same date. In these situations, the consecutive timeline supersedes the non-consecutive timeline. The following is the text of the Alert message, and wording in the brackets will auto-fill from the system:

**In order to claim for IV-E funding, a completed [*Review timeline*] QRTP Extended Placement Review for [*Child Name*] is due by [*Review through Date*].**

- **Review Timelines:**
  - 6 consecutive months (180 days)
  - 6 non-consecutive months (180 days)
  - 12 consecutive months (360 days)
  - 18 non-consecutive months (540 days)

It is recommended to complete the Review once the Alert is generated, even if the child/youth is moved from the QRTP Setting before the Review through Date is reached, as long as the Continuous Placement Remains open. This is because a future potentially certified QRTP placement within the same continuous placement would cause a Review to be due upon entry into SSIS, increasing chances for the Review to be late.

## Service Plans | Out of Home Placement Plan

There are several changes to the OHPP for 23.1 including fixing the education merge field that may cause issues with saving copied plans, screen consolidation, simplifying questions, reorganizing plans and plan sections, and updating help text. As part of plan section reorganization, Placement and Permanency will each have its own section, with Placement not included in all plans. A new section, 10 Best Interest Factors, has also been added and will consist of already existing and related screens. Supportive Relationships and Connections and Important Relationships and Connections have been consolidated into the new sections Supporting and Preserving Relationships and Connections.

1. Immunization and Medication Information screen: The two memo boxes on the screen (i.e. does not include the blue "E" button) are updated to correctly print the entire contents of the field
2. The "Current school" and "Current grade" fields on the "Education Detail" screen are now read only. This prevents an error copying OHPPs forward
3. Parental Authority screen: The printed service plan is no longer displaying old values next to the fields in the "Parental Authority" section when copying from older OHPPs:
  - a. Parent/Legal Guardian/Indian Custodian 1 and 2
  - b. Foster Care Provider (Foster Parents/Facility Primary Designee)
  - c. County or Tribal Agency Caseworker
4. Saving Copied OHPPs
  - a. The issue with the education fields that was causing some OHPP save issues after copying has been resolved. The school and grade will now merge into the OHPP from the education node

- and will no longer be able to be entered on the Education Detail screen.
5. Sibling Detail
    - a. The amount of information that will display on the Sibling Detail screen will depend on whether the child has siblings, and if any or all of the siblings are in out-of-home placement
      - i. On setup, if the child has siblings, Sibling Detail will be a screen in the plan
        1. If all of the siblings in foster care are placed together with the child, the only question on Sibling Detail will be to list the siblings in out-of-home placement
        2. If any of the siblings are in a different foster care placement than the child, or none of the child's siblings are in foster care placement, more detail may be needed and will be on the Sibling Detail screen
    - b. The Sibling Bill of Rights will no longer be included in the OHPP
    - c. Court Approval for Adoption has been renamed Sibling Adoption– Adoption/Guardianship
  6. New section Supporting and Preserving Relationships and Connections has two new screens
    - a. Supportive and Important Relationships and Connections
      - i. Information from the Supportive Relationships and Connections screen
    - b. Visitation Status and Plan
      - i. Information from the Visitation Status screen and concerns for the child's safety and well-being regarding contact and visitation with the relationships
      - ii. The grid is a combination of the Visitation Plan and Important Relationships and Connections grids
        1. If visitation with the relationship is in the child's best interests, provide the name, relationship, frequency of visitation, location, transportation plan, and whether the visit will be supervised, and if so by whom.
        2. If the child wishes contact with, or has contact with a relationship but visitation is not in the child's best interests, provide the name, relationship, contact type, frequency of contact, and whether the contact will be supervised, and if so by whom.
  7. A new section, Individualized Determination of Needs has been added and will include these screens:
    - a. 10 Best Interest Factors
    - b. Child/Youth Placement Preferences
    - c. Additional Placement Considerations
    - d. Parental Authority and Responsibility (No longer under Wellbeing)
  8. Placement and Permanency have been organized into separate sections
    - a. Placement
      - i. Conditions Leading to Placement
      - ii. Reasonable and Active Efforts to Prevent Placement
      - iii. No longer in Adoption/Guardianship, Delinquency, Voluntary Placement for Treatment, Youth 18-21
    - b. Permanency
      - i. Permanency Plan
        1. The screen has been reorganized to emphasize the agency's reasonable or active efforts to engage the child, family, relatives, and tribe in the development of the primary and concurrent placement plans, and if reunification is not the primary plan, to follow with the reasons why not and the agency's reasonable and active efforts to determine the appropriate primary plan including adoption
          - a. The question regarding the youth in the discussion for TPLPC was moved from the TPLPC screen to the Placement screen since the youth's

- preferred permanent relative resource options are important components when reunification is not the primary permanency plan
2. Help text has been updated with more detailed information about answering the questions when reunification is/is not the primary permanency plan.
    - ii. Transfer of Permanent Legal and Physical Custody
    - iii. QRTP: Family and Permanency Team – for QRTP placements
9. Delinquency Petition Detail
- a. The Delinquency Petition Detail screen has been added back to the Delinquency OHPP
10. Services for Parents/Foster Care Providers/Child
- a. These sections have been renamed to Support and Services for Parents/Foster Care providers/Child
  - b. Plans will have the appropriate sections
    - i. Support and Services for Child – all
    - ii. Support and Services for Parents – Permanent Custody to the Agency, Safety and Permanency, Trial Home Visit
    - iii. Support and Services for Foster Care Providers – all

## Special Package Release Post 23.1

A 23.1 post-statewide release is planned which includes:

New Proofing Message #1295: Cannot claim for days 15 and after the placement start date when the initial QRTP Extended Placement Review does not exist, is overdue, or was not completed timely.

New Proofing Message #1283: Cannot claim beginning the first of the month in which the subsequent QRTP Extended Placement Review (EPR) was due but the EPR does not exist, is overdue, or was not completed timely.

New Proofing Message #1284: Cannot Claim for days 31 and after a timely QRTP Extended Placement Review denial date for QRTP placements

Update Proofing Message #1291: Cannot claim for days 15 + for QRTP placements when court approval is missing or late; allow for claiming for up to 59 days for QRTP placements that were not open for at least 60 days, or where the facility was not certified for QRTP for at least 60 days, without court approval

Implement Claimed Payment Proofing for FFPSA-related claiming rules

Implement Flipping for FFPSA-related claims