

CONNECTIONS

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CONNECTIONS Build 18.8.5 Release Notes

(A description of the Build modifications, enhancements, fixes and impacts)

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What is contained in Build 18.8.5...

Below is a listing by User and Area Affected, Issue Description and Fix/Impact, and System Investigation Request number (SIR). Please note that SIR's that are combined reflect the work involved to affect the changes required.

This Build features user requested enhancements, modifications and fixes to CONNECTIONS application functionality. Highlighted below are a few of the most requested enhancements. Other enhancements are denoted within the text of the Release Notes.

- **SIR 4317:** Allows the user to SAVE an address in Resource Detail or IAB INV phone/address detail window.
- **SIR 4539:** New assignments will change from gray to white once the user accesses the case.
- **SIR 3799&3931:** Approvals submitted by someone other than the case planner will no longer by-pass the VA unit approver. The message displayed will acknowledge that someone other than the case planner submitted the plan.
- **SIR 4114:** Progress notes may be copied from and FSS to an INV and from and from one INV stage to another.

Definitions of the terms used in this document...

The **Users Affected** section identifies those individuals, by program area, who are impacted, **What is Affected** identifies the part of the application that is involved, the **Issue Description** section describes the "issue"/SIR needing resolution, the **Fix/Impact** section describes what the Build is expected to accomplish (impact) and the **SIR** section identifies the internal tracking number of that request.

Resources for Questions...

- If you have *questions about local practice, policy or procedures*, please review these procedures with your supervisor.
- For *all other CONNECTIONS related questions* please contact the NYS OFT Enterprise Help Desk: 1-800-697-1323.
- *BICS issues* should be reported to the BICS hotline: 1-800-342-3010
- *SSPS issues* should be reported to Nancy Pare: 212-383-1382 or Maureen Godwin: 212-383-2483.

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Address Validation...

Users Affected	What is Affected	Issue Description	Fix/Impact	SIR
FAD and IAB workers	Resource Address Detail/ INV Conclusion IAB Address Detail	Address validation is not working correctly in the Address detail window. If a user tries to enter an address that won't validate, the message "Street is Invalid" appears or "Unable to validate please change address or save if known to be correct". Clicking the OK push button causes the window to be reset and does not allow the invalidated address to be saved.	This fix will allow the user to Save an invalid or alternate address on the Resource Address Detail or Investigation Conclusion IAB Address/Phone Detail windows.	4317

Approvals...

Unit Approver	Approvals	<p>When an approval is created/accessed via the Unit Summary>Workload path, the ToDo detail window is using the logged on worker's PID (in this case the supervisor submitting on behalf of the CP) to generate approval ToDos. When the Unit Approver (UA) of the voluntary agency Case Planner (CP) submits a FASP, FSS closure or Removal update, they receive the message: <i>'Case Manager submitted this approval. Approval ToDo created for the Case Managers Unit Approver. Do you wish to add another approver? Yes or No.'</i> This message is inaccurate. In this circumstance the message should be revised to read: <i>'Approval ToDo created for the Case Manager. Case Planner's UA submitted this approval. Do you want to add another approver? Yes or No.'</i></p> <p>In addition, when the approval is submitted in this way the UA of the voluntary CP is bypassed and the approval ToDo is sent directly to the Case Manager (CM).</p>	This fix will populate the ToDo detail with the PID of the Case Planner, on whose behalf, the approval was submitted. The Approval ToDo will then, appropriately, be sent to the Case Planner's Unit Approver.	3799 & 3931
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ARI...

Users Affected	What is Affected	Issue Description	Fix/Impact	SIR
SCR	ARI	With the implementation of the Advanced Integrated Management System (AIMS) for database checks, the Administrative Review Inquiry (ARI) window will be changed to check the clearance request against the AIMS tables.	Disable the current Clearance, Appeals, Request for Information (CAR) application and update the ARI screen/letters to use the new AIMS ID.	3363

CPRS Progress Notes...

CPS	CPRS Progress Notes	User is unable to copy progress notes from an Initial INV to a subsequent INV when the FSS stage is listed in FCP Case Summary; Unable to copy PN's from the FSS stage to a subsequent INV stage in the same case.	This fix will modify the code to add Build 18 to the progress notes script to allow copying from an FSS stage to an INV stage.	4114
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Security...

Case Manager/ Security Coordinator	Security	<p>Create new Security Attributes to support current and new functionality:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain Application Registration • Maintain Health • View Health <p>PLEASE NOTE: this build only creates the Security Attributes. The Business Functions will be created approximately one month prior to the implementation of Build 18.9 for staff assignment. No functionality will exist for the Security Attributes or Business Functions until Build 18.9 has been implemented. Guidelines related to the new Security Attributes will be communicated when the Business Functions are created.</p>	<p>Maintain Application Registration is a new security attribute. Creating the WMS case from within CONNECTIONS will now be restricted to those individuals who have this attribute.</p> <p>To support access to the new Health module, two new attributes have been created. Maintain Health allows a staff person to update health information for all children within their district or agency. View Health allows staff that already have case access via View All in District or Agency, to also see Health information.</p> <p>NOTE: Workers with a role in the stage DO NOT need these additional attributes to maintain health information for children on their workload.</p>	4518
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Workload...

Users Affected	What is Affected	Issue Description	Fix/Impact	SIR
All	Assigned Workload	New assignments made after Build 18.7.4 continue to appear highlighted gray even after the assigned worker accesses the case. In addition, the case remains at the top of the workload list and does not fall into sort order.	This fix will highlight new cases gray and going forward, will no longer highlight cases that were accessed by the assigned worker. A data fix will be run to reset the pre-existing cases, where the worker has accessed the case, from gray to white.	4539 & 4811
CPS	Intake	Unable to reject and INT from the SCR. When the reject pushbutton is clicked, the worker receives the error message: 'Save Failed. Data has been modified by another user.'	This fix will enable the reject button and will no longer produce the error when rejecting a case back to the SCR. A data fix will be run to allow cases to be rejected back to the SCR.	4667 & 4811