



CONNECTIONS Technical Bulletin

CONNECTIONS Build: Foster and Adoptive Record Summary (FRS)

The modernization of the CONNECTIONS application will continue in late March with enhancements made to the Foster and Adoptive Home Development (FAD) module. These updates include the modernization of the Foster and Adoptive Home Record Summary (FRS), small changes to navigation, and new edits.

A pilot with selected District and Agency users will begin on Friday, March 10th.

The build will require some adjustment on the part of staff who maintain, view, and/or print FAD information in CONNECTIONS.

For a detailed overview of the build, please see the latest edition of the CONNECTIONS Build Bulletin on the [Intranet](#) or [Internet](#).

An Impact Analysis ([Intranet](#) / [Internet](#)) that summarizes the new features and impacts for district and agency management to consider is now available, and a Job Aid is forthcoming.

As always, CONNECTIONS Regional Implementation Staff ([Intranet](#) / [Internet](#)) are available to provide on-site support or answer questions, as needed.

Updates to CONNECTIONS Reports

Due to technological updates, there will be slight visual changes to the monthly reports within CONNECTIONS that are distributed to identified LDSS recipients on the Reports tab. Recipients will begin to see changes the next time the reports are scheduled to run, beginning this weekend, March 3rd.

These reports include:

- Open Caseload Inquiry (OCI)
- Summary of Characteristics
- WMS Discrepancy
- Records Retention

The updates will include slight changes in the look and feel of the reports. The path to access the reports each month (via the Reports tab) will remain the same.

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Weekly System Maintenance

Due to regularly scheduled maintenance, the CONNECTIONS application will be unavailable on:

- **Friday, March 3, from 4 a.m. to 7 a.m.**
- **Wednesday, March 8, from 4 a.m. to 7 a.m.**
- **Friday, March 10, from 4 a.m. to 7 a.m.**
- **Wednesday, March 15, from 4 a.m. to 7 a.m.**
- **Friday, March 17, from 4 a.m. to 7 a.m.**