

## **eWiSACWIS 3.6 Highlights**

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<b><u>Topic</u></b>	<b><u>Incident Number &amp; Description</u></b>
<b>Access Report</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• (25928) This enhancement will allow users to create a history of all Mandated/Relative Reporter Notices sent via a new pop up page. The new page will be accessed from the Options drop-down on the Access Report page. This page will remain accessible and editable after an Access Report has been linked to a case. Workers can create multiple notification letters and access each letter at any time by selecting the Edit / View hyperlinks.</li></ul>
<b>Assessment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• (24465) This enhancement will improve data collection and reporting by making it easier for workers to record the Initial Face-to-Face Contact information for Initial Assessments. It will accomplish this by:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Calculating and displaying the date and time when the Initial Face-to Face Contact must be attempted by.</li><li>○ Providing an easier method of recording the Initial Face-to-Face Contact by including a hyperlink to create the Contact Note from the Results tab of the Assessment page.</li><li>○ 3. Making the Initial Face-to-Face Contact required before the Initial Assessment can be approved.</li></ul></li><li>• (25149) When a worker or supervisor in the Western Region attempts to approve an Initial Assessment and critical information regarding the Western Region Partnership Grant is missing, he or she will receive an informational pop up message informing him or her to complete any missing information before submitting the Initial Assessment for approval.</li><li>• (25720) The Contacts section of the Initial-Assessment Primary template has been updated to easily identified the result of contacts. One field - Note Category - has been removed from this section and two fields - Location and Result - have been added. Additionally, the 'Who' field has been changed to 'Participant.'</li></ul>
<b>Case Notes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• (25838) A new message has been added to the Case Note page when the Date of the note is greater than one year from the creation of the note. The new message reads: "Date entered is greater than one year in the past. Do you want to continue saving?" This message will be a great reminder to users in January when the year changes.</li></ul>

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#### **Close Case**

- (25085) This enhancement allows users to perform a case merge of multiple cases into one case. The enhancement also saves time as users are able to merge closed cases into either closed or open cases without forcing the user to open the case before allowing the merge. Please note, an open case can only be merged into another open case.

**This enhancement also gives users the ability to close a case in one day.** When a case is submitted for case closure, the closure edits will be performed immediately, informing the user if the case has been Accepted or Denied. If a case is denied, the denial reasons will appear immediately informing the user of what needs to be done in order for the case to close. The user can complete the unfinished work, re-submit the case for case closure, and get supervisory approval in a one day process, eliminating the need for an overnight case closure batch.

#### **Financial Payments**

- (26154) This payment related enhancement affects all users that deal directly with the processing and analysis of payments. Per DSP Numbered Memo 2009-02 / "For Profit" Child Placing Agency Payments, the logic involving For-Profit status of the Parent Agencies was removed from the payment processing. As part of this enhancement, both the maintenance and administrative portions of the payments will be forwarded to the Parent Agency of the provider.

#### **Maintain Worker**

- (23473) Workers with proper security will now be able to maintain their own worker record. In addition, the worker information that displays in search has been changed to be more useful. The worker name is now a hyperlink that opens up Person Management in view only mode, and the information displayed beneath the worker name includes: worker status, job class, work phone number (from 'Work Phone' field on person management), e-mail address, county, agency, worker type (County, State, Vendor), and his or her Supervisor's name. The Basic Person Information will expand to display Address Information and Demographic Information. The Address Information will display address information including all phone numbers that have been entered. The Demographic Information remains unchanged.

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#### Out of Home Placement

- (24338) Significant changes have been made to the Out of Home Placement and In Home Services pages. **These changes will affect all who document or view placement or services information.** The major changes include allowing documentation of either monthly or daily child specific rates, allowing documentation of costs greater than the Foster Care spending limit, a reorganization of the pages- including the removal of data elements that did not fit with Wisconsin business practice- and a renaming of the In Home Services Page to be "Service" page. There are also many subtle changes to the pages that will be highlighted during this release's web casts.
- (24722) This enhancement came as a result of the larger change to the Out of Home Placement and In Home Services pages. The change itself will affect any user that documents Kinship placement or services, or any user that looks at Kinship placement data. The emphasis on this change focuses on the restructuring of the documentation of a Voluntary Kinship Service. This type of service will now only be documented under the new "Service" page. All other Court Ordered Kinship services will continue to be documented under the newly renovated Out of Home Placement page.

It is important to note that this enhancement also brought about a standardization of the naming conventions of the Kinship Services available to counties. Therefore, please pay close attention to these, as what your county may used to be looking for may no longer exist.

- (25394) This placement ending enhancement affects all users that document children that have gone "missing from out of home care." A new missing from out-of-home care placement ending reason was added that will allow users to more accurately document the ending of a missing from out of home care placement when a child has been found. The value that was added is "Child No Longer Missing". This value was added to the Service Ending and Placement Correction pages. This value is displayed when the Ending Purpose is Placement Change within Placement Episode.
- (25468) A revised Voluntary Placement Agreement template has been added to the system and can be found under the Placement category. This template replaces the VPA-Foster Home and VPA-Group Home templates. In addition, a new Voluntary Placement Agreement For An Indian Child template has been added to the ICWA category.

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#### **Person Management**

- (22818) This enhancement affects all users working with Out of Home Placements and the maintenance of person demographic information. The system currently asks the user if he or she would like to update the person's address information when a placement is created and ended. This enhancement has been developed to bring into line a more standardized address documentation process. From this point forward, the system will automatically update the person's address to the case address or to the new placement address as placement changes are made. This will allow for a much more consistent pattern of address documentation for children placed out of the home.
- (23144) When documenting a participant's Race as American Indian/Alaskan Native on the Person Management page, the Indian Tribe field is now required. In addition, a new value of Identified/Not Confirmed has been added to the Indian Tribe and Indian Tribe 2 fields. This new value will give users the ability to document when a child is identified as Indian but is not enrolled in a tribe.

#### **Planning**

- (26087) This enhancement will allow users to remove certain information from the Permanency Plan template. This will aid users who are working on a Permanency Plan of a child who has been TPR'd, but the parents names and information is still pre-filling, or if the child's current placement contains confidential information. The information will pre-fill when the template is initially accessed, however the fields will then be editable to allow workers to remove the pre-filled information. If the Permanency Plan page is saved, the next time the template is accessed the pre-filled information will no longer pre-fill. The sections that this change applies to are: Mother's information, Father's information, Guardian / Legal Custodian information, and Placement information for the child.

#### **Provider**

- (26212) To accommodate the ability to document partial hours, the Training tab of the Home Provider page has been enhanced to allow decimals in the Hrs Completed fields.