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# ENROLLMENT VISTA CHANGES (EVC) EARLY RELEASE

**RELEASE NOTES** 

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#### Introduction

#### Overview

The Enrollment VistA Changes (EVC) Early Release project supports the technology and business changes that are occurring with the implementation of the Enrollment System Redesign (ESR) project. It includes items that the HEC requested to be fast-tracked from the original (EVC) project and provides modifications to both the VistA and HEC Legacy systems. This project is being released to the field without ESR involvement.

Patch IVMB\*2\*848 provides the following functionality:

- Modifies effective date of change
- Modifies continuous enrollment algorithm
- Adds new fields to the inbound messages (Z07) going from VistA to HEC Legacy
- Adds a new field, Military Disability Retirement, to several files, menu options, and the HL7 ZEL segment
- Adds a new field, Discharge Due to Disability, to several files, menu options, and the HL7 ZEL segment
- Modifies the enrollment priority algorithm for Priority Group 3 veterans with Military Disability Retirement or Discharge Due to Disability
- Updates Means Test exemption for Priority Group 3 veterans with Military Disability Retirement or Discharge Due to Disability
- Continue support of the NED's use of the Disability Retirement from Military field through usage of Military Disability Retirement and Discharge Due to Disability fields.

Patch IVMB\*2\*849 provides the following functionality:

- Modifies sharing of records with pending status via ORU/ORF~Z11
- Adds new fields to the ZEL segment of ORU/ORF~Z11
- Provides a conversion option to populate the new military disability fields added by Patch IVMB\*2\*848
- Provides a user-initiated status report for the conversion process

# Purpose of this Manual

The purpose of this Release Notes document is to provide high-level user and technical information about enhancements to enrollment-related functionality in the HEC Legacy system.

#### **Related Documents**

The following related documents are available for download from the VistA Documentation Library (VDL):

File Name	Description
DG_5_3_P672_ADTBE_UM.PDF	Revised PIMS, Menus, Intro, Orientation, etc. User
	Manual
DG_5_3_P672_REG_UM.PDF	Revised PIMS Registration Menu User Manual
DG_5_3_P672_SADT_U.PDF	Revised PIMS Supervisor ADT Menu User Manual
EAS_1_P62_UM.PDF	Revised Enrollment Application System V. 1.0 User
	Manual
IVM_2_P109_TM.PDF	Revised IVM V. 2.0 Technical Manual

#### **User Release Notes**

## New Features, Functions, Modifications, and Enhancements

#### **Effective Date of Change Modifications**

The effective date used for the following enrollment statuses is changed to use the date the enrollment status is created.

- Deceased
- Not Eligible, Ineligible Date
- Not Eligible, Refused to Pay Copay

The Effective Date of Change in the HEC and VistA Legacy systems is calculated as shown in the tables below. No cleanup is needed. As records are updated with these statuses, the new rules are applied.

#### VistA Legacy

STATUS		Future VistA Value for Effective Date of Change Field
6 Deceased	Date of Death	The date of death last updated

#### HEC Legacy

*Note*: Changing the date of Death does **not** change the enrollment status; there will **not** be a new enrollment record created.

STATUS	Current HEC Legacy Value for Effective Date of Change Field	Future HEC Legacy Value for Effective Date of Change Field
6 - Deceased	Date of Death	The date the system created this enrollment status
19 - Not Eligible; Refused to Pay Copay	Effective Date of Current Enrollment	The date the system created this enrollment status
20 - Not Eligible; Ineligible Date	Ineligible Date	The date the system created this enrollment status

#### **Enhancements to the Continuous Enrollment Algorithm**

The following are enhancements to the Continuous Enrollment Algorithm. The rules are to be executed in the following order, with the following exceptions:

Current *and* prior enrollment records with any of the following enrollment statuses will be ignored for determination of continuous enrollment:

- Pending Means Test Required,
- Pending Purple Heart Unconfirmed
- Pending Eligibility Status Unverified
- Pending Other
- Pending No Eligibility Code VIVA
- Deceased
- Not Eligible; Ineligible Date

The table below describes the enhancements to the continuous enrollment rules, with the following exceptions:

- A manual override by a HEC User can either reject or continuously enroll a veteran's enrolment record regardless of the business rules listed in the table below.
- Once an enrollment record is manually placed in a verified enrollment status via the override function, the veteran will not be placed in a rejected enrollment status until a new EGT is set (which could disqualify the veteran from enrollment), or if the record is manually overridden to a rejected status.
- Once a record is in a canceled/declined enrollment status, it will be treated the same as a rejected enrollment status, and not continuously enrolled as long as a veteran stays in a priority group that is not being accepted for new enrollments.

Conditions	Results
Current enrollment record has an Application Date	Veteran is continuously enrolled
that is prior to the EGT Effective Date	
AND	
Current or any previous enrollment record has an	
Effective Date of Change that is prior to the EGT	
Effective date	
There is no application date	Veteran is continuously enrolled
AND	
The earliest Effective Date of change is prior to the	
EGT Effective Date	

Conditions	Results
If the current record has an enrollment status of Not	The system ignores the application date and looks at the
Eligible; Refused to Pay Copay	ESR Communications Module to see if a 601B OR 601C
AND	letter has been triggered for any of the following
the veteran's Agrees to Pay Deductible Indicator is being changed from NO to YES	Communication Statuses:
	0-send to AAC
	1-sent to AAC
	2-mailed by HEC
	3-reject at HEC
	4-reject by AAC
	5- Error by AAC
	6-Return by post office
	7-mailed by AAC
	8-Sent to HEC printer
	9-address changed and mailed by AAC
	Enrollment record is rejected
If the letter was triggered	
AND	Enrollment record is rejected
the Communication Status is one of the above, it	
infers that an attempt was made to notify the veteran	
that s/he is not eligible	
If the letters were <i>not</i> triggered	Veteran is continuously enrolled
AND	
the Communication Status is Null or value 10-	
Cancel by the HEC, it is inferred that the veteran	
has not received notification of his/her ineligible	
status	

Conditions	Results
If a veteran has ever had a verified enrollment	Veteran is continuously enrolled
record with an eligibility in the following list then	
the veteran will be considered continuously enrolled	
without regard to the rules in the table:	
SC 10% or greater and SC% is changed to SC 0%	
non compensable (total check amount \$0 or null)	
Aid & Attendance = YES and A&A is now not YES	
Housebound = YES and Housebound is now not	
YES	
VA Pension = YES and VA Pension is now not	
YES	
If AO indicator is currently = yes and location is	
currently = DMZ was entered prior to ESR	
implementation. (Date for this software to be used	
will be 12/29/2040 until ESR is implemented. Date	
will be modified with EVC)	
CV End Date expires after Enrollment Application	
Date To clarify – the VERIFIED record must	
contain a CV end date and the CV end date must	
have expired after the Enrollment Application Date	
or in the absence of an Application Date, the earliest	
effective date of change.	
Veteran is enrolled due to MT status, and a	
subsequent income year means test was added or	
edited that would place the veteran in a priority	
group not being enrolled then Continuously Enroll.	

The following table represents requirements to determine if an enrollment record is to be placed in a rejected enrollment status, with the following exception:

- Once an enrollment record is rejected, it will stay rejected as long as the veteran stays in an enrollment priority group that is not being accepted for new enrollments.
- If a determination cannot be made then the decision is to Reject Enrollment

If the EGT Setting is Enrollment Decision AND The veteran applied for enrollment on or after EGT Effective Date (in the absence of application date use the earliest effective date of change) AND a verified enrollment status with one or more of the following eligibility factors exists:	AND Eligibility is changed as follows (which results in veteran placed in an Enrollment Priority Group that is not eligible for enrollment):	Enrollment System Action
VARANTON	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Reject enrollment
SC 0% compensable (Total check	SC 0% noncompensable	(Enrollment Priority Group
amount is greater than \$0)	(Total check amount is 0 or Null)	subpriority e or g)
SC 0% -100%	SC is removed	Reject enrollment
AO and Location = Vietnam	AO Location is changed to DMZ after implementation of priority algorithm that considers AO Location	Reject enrollment
AO and Location = Vietnam	AO Location is changed to Other after implementation of priority algorithm that considers AO Location	Reject enrollment
AO and Location = DMZ	AO Location is changed to Other after implementation of priority algorithm that considers AO Location	Reject enrollment
Agent Orange = Yes	AO = Not Yes	Reject enrollment
Radiation Exposure = Yes	IR = Not Yes	Reject enrollment
Environmental Contaminants = Yes	EC = Not Yes	Reject enrollment
SHAD = Yes	SHAD = Not Yes	Reject enrollment
WWI Eligibility Code New Rules	WWI Eligibility Code is removed	Reject enrollment
Mexican Border War Eligibility	Mexican Border War Eligibility Code	
Code	is removed	Reject enrollment
Purple Heart Indicator = Yes	PH Indicator = No	Reject enrollment
POW Indicator = Yes	POW = Not Yes	Reject enrollment
CV End Date Populated	CV End Date is Removed	Reject enrollment
Discharged due to Disability = Yes	Discharged due to Disability = Not Yes	Reject enrollment
Military Disability Retirement = Yes	Military Disability Retirement = Not Yes	Reject enrollment
Catastrophic Disability = Yes	Catastrophic Disability = Not Yes	Reject enrollment

If the EGT Setting is Enrollment Decision AND The veteran applied for enrollment on or after EGT Effective Date (in the absence of application date use the earliest effective date of change) AND a verified enrollment status with one or more of the following eligibility factors	AND Eligibility is changed as follows (which results in veteran placed in an Enrollment Priority Group that is not eligible for	
exists:	enrollment):	Enrollment System Action Reject enrollment
Medicaid = Yes	Medicaid is edited to = No and a means test is completed that places the record in an enrollment priority group that is not being enrolled	If the veteran has a current MT or other eligibility that qualifies the veteran for enrollment, do not reject.
	The Means test is edited or converted	Reject enrollment only if the veteran is currently in an enrollment priority group that is not being enrolled.  If the veteran has a current MT
MT Status on the first verified	by IVM to a Means Test Status that	or other eligibility that qualifies
enrollment record places the record in a priority group that was enrolled	places the record in a priority group not being enrolled	the veteran for enrollment, do not reject.
in a priority group that was elifoned	being emolica	Reject enrollment only if the veteran is currently in an enrollment priority group that is not being enrolled.
MT Hardship was granted on the	The hardship is removed, converted by	If the veteran has a current MT
first verified enrollment record that	IVM, or a new test completed which	or other eligibility that qualifies
placed the record in a priority group that was being enrolled	places the record in a priority group that is not being enrolled	the veteran for enrollment, do not reject.

# **Display and Entry for Military Disability Retirement**

The Military Disability Retirement field is added to the following menu options:

- Enter/Edit VIVA Data
- View an Enrollment Record
- Inquire Data Received from DHCP
- Inquire VIVA Data

#### Display and Entry for Discharge Due to Disability

The Military Disability Retirement field is added to the following menu options:

- Enter/Edit VIVA Data
- View An Enrollment Record
- Inquire Data Received from DHCP
- Inquire VIVA Data

# Modifications to the Enrollment Priority Algorithm for Enrollment Priority Group 3 Veterans

- The enrollment priority algorithm has been updated to evaluate a veteran's qualification to be placed in a PG3
- The means test exemption has been updated for Military Disability Retirement and Discharge Due to Disability fields.

#### Modification to the Existing Disability Retirement from Military Field

The system will continue to support the National Enrollment Database (NED) use of the Disability Retirement from Military field through usage of Military Disability Retirement and Discharge Due to disability fields.

#### **Technical Release Notes**

#### **Data Dictionary Changes**

#### **New Fields**

The Discharge Due to Disability and Military Disability Retirement Fields replace the old Disability Retired from Military Field in the following files:

- Veterans ID and Verification Access (#300.11)
- IVM Client Income (#300.13)
- Enrollment (#300.132)
- Prioritization Rules (#742024)

#### **New Templates**

Template Type	Template Name
Print Template	IVMG VIEW ENROLLMENT
Input Template	IVME ENTER VIVA

# Modifications to HL7 Messaging

## Modifications to ORF/ORU~Z07 Messages

The following new fields are added to the ZEL segment:

- Sequence 5 Military Disability Retirement (Y/N)
- Sequence 39 Discharge due to Disability (Y/N)

#### Modifications to ORF/ORU~Z11 Messages

Modifications for Pending Statuses

- ORF~Z11 messages return Z11s for pending status records.
- ORU~Z11 messages are transmitted for pending status records except the following enrollment statuses:
  - Pending, No Eligibility Code
  - Pending, Other
  - ❖ Pending, Eligibility Status is Unverified (where no response has been received from VBA at AAC)

New Fields in the ZEL Segment

The following new fields are added to the ZEL segment. These fields are populated by the user-initiated post-installation conversion for Patch IVMB\*2\*849.

- Sequence 5 Military Disability Retirement (Y/N)
- Sequence 39 Discharge due to Disability (Y/N)

If the post-installation conversion is not complete at the time the message is sent, the following old value will be sent instead and the conversion of the field will be performed by VistA.

Sequence 5 - Disability Retired from Military (0,1)

## Conversion for Disability Retired from Military field

The conversion included with Patch IVMB\*2\*849 populates the Military Disability Retirement and Discharge Due to Disability fields from the Disability Retired from Military field.

#### Report of Disability Retirement Data Conversion

SPECIAL note: The conversion process may take up to 10 days to complete and should not be started until all sites have installed VistA Patch DG\*5.3\*672.

After installing Patch IVMB\*2\*849, schedule the task IVMB 849 DISAB RET MIL CONV (Disab. Ret from Mil. Conversion IVMB\*2\*849) using Task Manager (TaskMan) - Schedule/Unschedule Option.

In an effort to control the number of Z11 messages queued to VistA, the conversion must be scheduled to run once an hour (1H). The job is designed to queue a maximum of 50,000 Z11 messages to VistA during each scheduled execution.

The purpose of the conversion is to populate the Military Disability Retirement and Discharge Due to Disability fields based on translation from the Disability Retired from Military field. All involved fields reside on the VETERANS ID & VERIFICATION ACCESS File (#300.11). Upon the conclusion of each execution, a MailMan message reporting status information will be sent to the user who initiated the task. If a user terminates the task, the currently running conversion will soon abort and a status message will be sent.

When the conversion is complete the MailMan message will indicate, "The Disability Retirement Data Conversion has completed successfully." Upon receipt of this notification, unschedule the IVMB 849 DIAB RET MIL CONV option and delete any jobs that are scheduled to run in the future.