



Administration for Community Living (ACL)
Release Notes

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STARS Enhancements

SHIP Team Member and Activity Forms

- When a CMS Unique ID Status is manually set to Active, automatically set Status to Active
- What is your current gender?
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 - The following fields have been removed
 - Transgender
 - Don't Know
 - The following field has been added
 - Non-binary
 - The following fields have been renamed
 - Male > Man
 - Female > Woman
 - Other Gender Term > Other Gender Identity Term
 - Existing What is your current gender? selections have been migrated as follows

Existing Field and Selection	Updated Field and Selection Mapping
What is your current gender? - Transgender	What is your current gender? - I use a different term
What is your current gender – Don't Know	What is your current gender? - I use a different term

- Which of the following best represents how you think of yourself?
 - This field is not required
- Do you consider yourself to be transgender?
 - This field is not required

Beneficiary Contact and Beneficiary Additional Session Forms

- Date of Contact selected cannot be more than 24 months in the past from the day of data entry and cannot be in the future
- A front end validation message has been added when the State of Session Location and Beneficiary Residence do not match, this message does not prevent save. Message: "It appears you are assisting someone outside your state or territory, check the beneficiary state selection for accuracy."
- What is your current gender?
 - This field is not required
 - The following fields have been removed
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- Do you consider yourself to be transgender?
 - This field is not required
- Send to SMP Mapping Updates

Field Name	STARS Option	SIRS Option Mapping	Notes
Which of the following best represents how you think of yourself?	Options:	Which of the following best represents how you think of yourself?	
	Lesbian or gay	Lesbian or gay	
	Straight, that is, not gay or lesbian	Straight, that is, not gay or lesbian	
	Bisexual	Bisexual	
	I use a different term	I use a different term	
	Don't know	Don't know	
	Prefer not to answer	Prefer not to answer	
	Other Orientation Term	Other Orientation Term	Free text entry is not required
Beneficiary Gender What is your current gender?	Options:	Which of the following best represents how you think of yourself?	
	Female Woman	Female Woman	
	Male Man	Male Man	
	Transgender	Transgender	
	I use a different term	I use a different term	
	Don't know	Don't know	

	Prefer not to answer	Prefer not to answer	
	Other Gender Term	Other Gender Term	Free text entry is not required
	Other	Other	
	Not Collected	Not Collected	
Do you consider yourself to be transgender?	Yes	Yes	
	No	No	
	Prefer not to answer	Prefer not to answer	

Group Outreach and Education and Additional Team Member Forms

- Intended Audience
 - The following fields have been added
 - Health Care Providers
 - Law Enforcement
- Target Beneficiary Group
 - The following fields have been added
 - Homebound
 - Long Term Care Residents
- Send to SMP Mapping updates

Field Name	STARS Option	SIRS Option Mapping
Intended Audience	Options:	Intended Audience:
	Beneficiaries	Beneficiaries
	Employer-Related Groups	Other Employer-Related Groups
	Family Members/Caregivers	Family Members/ Caregivers
	Health Care Providers	Health Care Providers
	Law Enforcement	Law Enforcement
	Limited English Proficiency	Other
	Medicare Pre-Enrollees	Other Medicare Pre-Enrollees
	Partner Organizations	Partner Organizations
	People with Disabilities	Other
	Rural Beneficiaries	Other
	Other	Other
Target Beneficiary Group	Options:	Target Beneficiary Group:
	American Indian or Alaskan Native	Native American American Indian or Alaskan Native
	Asian	Racial/ Ethnic Minority Asian
	Black or African American	Racial/ Ethnic Minority Black or African American

	Disabled People with Disabilities	People with Disabilities
	Hispanic/Latino	Racial/ Ethnic Minority Hispanic/Latino
	Homebound	Homebound
	Languages Other Than English Limited English Proficiency	Non-English Speaking Limited English Proficiency
	Long Term Care Residents	Long Term Care Residents
	Low Income	Low Income
	LGBTQI+	LGBTQI+
	Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	Racial/ Ethnic Minority Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
	Rural	Rural
	N/A	Do Not Send To SIRS N/A
	Not Collected	Not Collected
	Other	Other

Media Outreach and Education and Additional Team Member Forms

- Intended Audience
 - The following fields have been added
 - Health Care Providers
 - Law Enforcement
- Target Beneficiary Group
 - The following fields have been added
 - Homebound
 - Long Term Care Residents
- Send to SMP Mapping updates

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	Beneficiaries	Beneficiaries
	Employer-Related Groups	Other
	Family Members/Caregivers	Family Members/ Caregivers
	Limited-English Proficiency	Other
	Health Care Providers	Health Care Providers
	Law Enforcement	Law Enforcement
	Medicare Pre-Enrollees	Other Medicare Pre-Enrollees
	Partner Organizations	Partner Organizations
	People with Disabilities	Other
	Rural Beneficiaries	Other
	Other	Other
	Options:	Target Beneficiary Group:

Target Beneficiary Group	American Indian or Alaskan Native	American Indian or Alaskan Native
	Asian	Asian
	Black or African American	Black or African American
	People with Disabilities	People with Disabilities
	Hispanic/Latino	Hispanic/Latino
	Homebound	Homebound
	Limited English Proficiency	Limited English Proficiency
	Long Term Care Residents	Long Term Care Residents
	Low Income	Low Income
	LGBTQI+	LGBTQI+
	Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
	Rural	Rural
	N/A	N/A
	Other	Other

Training and Additional Training Day Forms

- Duplicate Check criteria has been updated to check for matching Training Month, Training Day, and Training Year within the Session Conducted By user's Partner Organization Affiliation and organizations residing below their own
- A front end flag has been added for any time spent over 2400 minutes (40 hours) and anything at or under 30 minutes, this flag does not prevent save
- A visual representation for the Total Time Spent in Training calculation (Number of Attendees x Total Length of Training) has been added

STARS Reports

- New Beneficiary Contact Data Export Report – Session Conducted By has been created and is accessible to the following roles
 - SHIP Director
 - SHIP Assistant Director
 - SHIP State Staff
 - SHIP Sub-State Manager
 - SHIP Site Manager
- New Beneficiary Additional Session Data Export Report – Session Conducted By has been created and is accessible to the following roles
 - SHIP Director
 - SHIP Assistant Director
 - SHIP State Staff
 - SHIP Sub-State Manager
 - SHIP Site Manager
- STARS Training Summary Report – Partner Organization Affiliation
 - "SMP" has been removed as an option present within the Program section, as this field is not currently visible on the front end form

- Resource Report
 - What is your current gender?
 - Field options have been updated
- Beneficiary Contact Summary Report – Partner Organization Affiliation
 - What is your current gender?
 - Field options have been updated
- MIPPA Beneficiary Contact Summary Report – Partner Organization Affiliation
 - What is your current gender?
 - Field options have been updated
- Beneficiary Contact Summary Report – Session Conducted By
 - What is your current gender?
 - 04/30/24 Update: Field options have been updated

SIRS Enhancements

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- Do you consider yourself to be transgender?
 - This field is not required

Interaction Form

- Logic preventing Date of Interaction dates more that 15 months in the past from being selected has been removed
- Users with a Status of Inactive should remain visible in the Session Conducted By field. Users with a Status of Retired should not be present in the Session Conducted By field

Individual Interaction Form

- A front end validation message has been added when the State of Session Location and Beneficiary Residence do not match, this message does not prevent save. Message: "It appears you are assisting someone outside your state or territory, check the beneficiary state selection for accuracy."
- Fraud, Error, and Abuse: Billing for services not requested has been added
- The Session Conducted By user will no longer be CC'd on the "ACL Additional Work Needed" email template when the ACL/Center Identified Additional Work Needed workflow option is selected
- The Case History field will be in chronological order according to entry date rather than according to the date work option flow date. Note: This will only apply to future selections of workflow options

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Group Outreach and Education Form

- Intended Audience
 - The following fields have been removed
 - General Audience
 - The following fields have been added
 - Employer-Related Groups
 - Medicare Pre-Enrollees
 - Existing Intended Audience selections have been migrated as follows

Existing Field and Selection	Updated Field and Selection
Intended Audience – General Audience	Intended Audience – Other

- Target Beneficiary Group
 - Target Beneficiary Audience has been renamed Target Beneficiary Group
 - The following fields have been removed
 - General
 - Native American
 - Racial/Ethnic Minority
 - The following fields have been added
 - American Indian or Alaskan Native
 - Asian
 - Black or African American

- Hispanic/Latino
- Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
- N/A
- Existing Target Beneficiary Group selections have been migrated as follows

Existing Field and Selection	Updated Field and Selection
Target Beneficiary Group – General	Target Beneficiary Group – Other
Target Beneficiary Group – Native American	Target Beneficiary Group – American Indian or Alaskan Native
Target Beneficiary Group – Racial/Ethnic Minority	Target Beneficiary Group – Other

Media Outreach and Education Form

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 - The following fields have been removed
 - General Audience
 - The following fields have been added
 - Employer Related Groups
 - Medicare Pre-Enrollees
 - Existing Intended Audience selections as follows

Existing Field and Selection	Updated Field and Selection
Intended Audience – General Audience	Intended Audience – Other

- Target Beneficiary Group has been added
 - The following fields have been added
 - American Indian or Alaskan Native
 - Asian
 - Black or African American
 - Hispanic/Latino
 - Homebound
 - LGTQI+
 - Limited English Proficiency
 - Long Term Care Residents
 - Low Income
 - Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
 - People with Disabilities
 - Rural
 - Other
 - N/A

SIRS Reports

- New SMP Complex Interactions Report has been created and is accessible to the following roles
 - ACL Staff

- SMP Resource Center
 - SMP Director
 - State Staff
 - Site Manager
 - Site Staff
- Fraud, Error, Abuse Trend Report
 - Billing for services not requested topic has been added
- SIRS Media Outreach Summary Report – Partner Organization Affiliation
 - The following fields have been added
 - Target Beneficiary Group
- SIRS Media Outreach Summary Report – Session Conducted By
 - The following fields have been added
 - Target Beneficiary Group
- Individual Interaction Summary Report – Partner Organization Affiliation
 - What is your current gender?
 - Field options have been updated
- Individual Interaction Summary Report – Session Conducted By
 - What is your current gender?
 - Field options have been updated