

## **Eligibility and Enrollment (E&E)**

### **Veterans Health Information Systems and Technology Architecture (VistA) Registration, Eligibility & Enrollment (REE)**

#### **Registration (DG) Patch DG\*5.3\*1093**

#### **Release Notes**



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# 1 Introduction

The release of VistA REE PackMan patch DG\*5.3\*1093 is being released to support enhancements for the Eligibility and Enrollment (E&E) program.

Patch DG\*5.3\*1093 is also being released in support of the Veterans Health Administration (VHA) Enrollment System (VES) 6.6 release.

## 2 Purpose

The Release Notes cover the changes to the VistA REE Registration (DG) system for this release.

## 3 Audience

This document targets users and administrators of VistA REE and applies to the changes made between this release and any previous release for this software.

## 4 This Release

This release is distributed as a PackMan patch. Refer to the Software and Documentation Retrieval Instructions section of the patch description for information on obtaining the PackMan patch DG\*5.3\*1093 and related documentation.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** The national release date for patch DG\*5.3\*1093 is July 24, 2023, with a seven-day compliance period. This patch must be installed at all VistA sites by close of business on Monday, July 31, 2023.

The following sections provide a summary of the enhancements and modifications to the existing software for VistA REE with the release of patch DG\*5.3\*1093.

### 4.1 New Features and Functions Added

There are no new features or functions added to VistA REE for DG\*5.3\*1093.

### 4.2 Enhancements and Modifications

To bring the entry into alignment with the name in VES and VA Profile, patch DG\*5.3\*1093 modifies the name of UNITARIAN-UNIVERSALISM in the RELIGION file (#13) to UNITARIAN-UNIVERSALIST.

A separate entry has been created for UNITARIAN-UNIVERSALISM (code 89) to use to capture the UNITARIAN-UNIVERSALISM (code 28) which is being replaced by UNITARIAN-UNIVERSALIST (Code 28).

Patch DG\*5.3\*1093 adds five additional new entries to the RELIGION file (#13): AFRICAN AMERICAN EPISCOPAL (code 84), BUDDHISM, OTHER (code 85), EVANGELICAL (code 86), HOLINESS CHURCHES (code 87), and CATHOLIC (NON-ROMAN CATHOLIC) (code 88).

Patch DG\*5.3\*1093 modifies the file description of the RELIGION file (#13).

All of the data previously entered into Vista regarding the patient status as an Indian or having Tribal Affiliation has been deemed to be incorrect due to the Veteran having to make a self-attestation.

A Validation Process is being put in place with a list of acceptable documentation that a Veteran must present in order to verify their Tribal Affiliation.

Patch DG\*5.3\*1093 makes the following changes:

- The PATIENT DATA, SCREEN <2> screen is modified to prevent the entry of data in group 6, Indian attestation data. Group <6> is made read-only.
- The Health Level 7 (HL7) ORU/ORF Z07 message is modified. The Indian attestation related fields in the ZPD segment will contain NULL values.
- The INDIAN SELF IDENTIFICATION field (#.571) and the INDIAN ATTESTATION DATE field (#.573) of the PATIENT file (#2) have the trigger removed which queues an ORU-Z07 HL7 message to be sent to VES, and the Write Authority flag is set on both, which prevents entry of data via VA FileMan.
- All Indian attestation data is removed from patient records in the PATIENT file (#2). Refer to the Pre/Post Installation Overview section for details on this process.

Table 1 shows the enhancements and modifications included in the DG\*5.3\*1093 release as tracked in Atlassian Jira.

**Table 1: DG\*5.3\*1093 Enhancements and Modifications**

Jira Epic #	Summary
VES-26156	Receive Demographics Push Updates from VA Profile (VistA)
VES-29540	Change "Indian" Permissions Type (VistA)

## List of Updates

**DG\*5.3\*1093** makes the following enhancements to VistA REE:

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### SECTION 1: DATA DICTIONARY UPDATES

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1. The NAME field (#.01) of the existing entry with a CODE field (#3) of 28 in the RELIGION file (#13) is changed from UNITARIAN-UNIVERSALISM to UNITARIAN-UNIVERSALIST:

NAME: UNITARIAN-UNIVERSALIST	CODE: 28
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2. A separate entry was created for UNITARIAN-UNIVERSALISM (code 89) to use to capture the UNITARIAN-UNIVERSALISM (code 28) which was replaced by UNITARIAN-UNIVERSALIST (Code 28).

NAME: UNITARIAN-UNIVERSALISM	CODE: 89
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3. Five additional entries have been added to the RELIGION file (#13). Only the NAME field (#01) and the CODE field (#3) are populated:

NAME	CODE
AFRICAN AMERICAN EPISCOPAL	84
BUDDHISM, OTHER	85
EVANGELICAL	86
HOLINESS CHURCHES	87
CATHOLIC (NON-ROMAN CATHOLIC)	88

4. The DESCRIPTION field (#4) is modified for the RELIGION file (#13) entry in the FILE file (#1). The "currently contains 84 entries" phrase is changed to "currently contains 90 entries". Also, the typo "affects" is changed to "effects":

BEFORE:

NUMBER: 13 NAME: RELIGION

APPLICATION GROUP: VA

DESCRIPTION: The RELIGION file currently contains 84 entries. These entries are determined by VACO MAS. This file should not be added to nor should entries in it be altered or deleted by the facility. Entry, edit or deletion of these entries could have severe negative affects on the performance of the MAS module.

AFTER:

NUMBER: 13 NAME: RELIGION

APPLICATION GROUP: VA

DESCRIPTION: The RELIGION file currently contains 90 entries. These entries are determined by VACO MAS. This file should not be added to nor should entries in it be altered or deleted by the facility. Entry, edit or deletion of these entries could have severe negative effects on the performance of the MAS module.

5. The INDIAN SELF IDENTIFICATION field (#.571) and the INDIAN ATTESTATION DATE field (#.573) of the PATIENT file (#2) have the trigger removed which queues an HL7 ORU-Z07 message to be sent to VES and the Write Authority flag set, which prevents entry of data via VA FileMan.

DATA ELEMENT	NAME TITLE	GLOBAL LOCATION	DATA TYPE
2,.571	INDIAN SELF IDENTIFICATION .57;1 SET (audited)		
		'Y' FOR YES; 'N' FOR NO;	
	LAST EDITED:	APR 27, 2023	
	HELP-PROMPT:	Enter YES or NO, as answered by the Applicant on the 1010EZ or 1010EZR in response to the Are you an Indian question.	
	DESCRIPTION:	This field will contain the value from the	

"Are you an Indian" question on the 1010EZ, 1010EZR, or the online application as answered by the applicant.

AUDIT: YES, ALWAYS

WRITE AUTHORITY: ^

UNEDITABLE

CROSS-REFERENCE: ^^TRIGGER^2^.575

1)= K DIV S DIV=X,D0=DA,DIV(0)=D0 S Y(1)=\$  
S(\$D(^DPT(D0,.57)):^(.57),1:"") S X=\$P(Y(1),U,5),X=X S DIU=X K Y S X=DIV S X=\$\$NOW^X  
LFDT() S DIH=\$G(^DPT(DIV(0),.57)),DIV=X S  
\$P(^(.57),U,5)=DIV,DIH=2,DIG=.575 D ^DICR

2)= K DIV S DIV=X,D0=DA,DIV(0)=D0 S Y(1)=\$  
S(\$D(^DPT(D0,.57)):^(.57),1:"") S X=\$P(Y(1),U,5),X=X S DIU=X K Y S X=DIV S X=\$\$NOW^X  
LFDT() S DIH=\$G(^DPT(DIV(0),.57)),DIV=X S  
\$P(^(.57),U,5)=DIV,DIH=2,DIG=.575 D ^DICR

CREATE VALUE)= S X=\$\$NOW^XLFDT()

DELETE VALUE)= S X=\$\$NOW^XLFDT()

FIELD)= INDIAN SELF IDENT CHANGE DT/TM

This cross-reference will be used to update the Date/Time stamp for an Indian Self Identification change.

2,.573

INDIAN ATTESTATION DATE .57;3 DATE (audited)

INPUT TRANSFORM: S %DT="EX" D ^%DT S X=Y K:Y<1 X K:Y>DT X K  
:Y=-1 X

LAST EDITED: APR 27, 2023

HELP-PROMPT: Enter the Stamp Date from the hard copy 1010EZ or 1010EZR. If no Stamp Date was indicated, enter today's date. The date cannot be in the future.

DESCRIPTION: This field will contain the date on which an applicant or previously enrolled Veteran informed the VA of their status as an Indian.

AUDIT: YES, ALWAYS

WRITE AUTHORITY: ^

UNEDITABLE

NOTES: XXXX- -CAN'T BE ALTERED EXCEPT BY PROGRAMMER

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## SECTION 2: REGISTRATION SCREEN UPDATES

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The PATIENT DATA, SCREEN <2>, screen Data Group 6 is made read-only. Any Indian attestation data will be displayed but the user will be unable to enter/edit the data.

PATIENT DATA, SCREEN <2>	
DGPATIENT,ONE	MON DD,YYYY
XXX-XX-XXXX	NSC VETERAN
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[1] Marital: DIVORCED	POB: CHICAGO, ILLINOIS
Religion: LUTHERAN	Father: UNANSWERED
SCI: NOT APPLICABLE	Mother: UNANSWERED
	Mom's Maiden: HUFF,
[2] Previous Care Date	Location of Previous Care
NONE INDICATED	NONE INDICATED
[3] Ethnicity: UNANSWERED	
Race: UNANSWERED	
<4> Date of Death Information	
Date of Death:	Source of Notification:
Updated Date/Time:	Last Edited By:
[5] Emergency Response:	
<6>	Indian: UNANSWERED
<RET> to CONTINUE, 1,2,3,5 or ALL to EDIT, ^N for screen N or '^' to QUIT:	

**Figure 1: PATIENT DATA, SCREEN <2> Updates**

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## SECTION 3: HL7 ORU/ORF-Z07 PROCESSING

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The fields below to are set to NULL in the ZPD segment in the ORU/ORF Z07 HL7 message when sending data to VES. Processing incoming data from VES on the Z11 is not changed.

SEQ	FIELD
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42	INDIAN SELF IDENTIFICATION
43	INDIAN ATTESTATION DATE
44	INDIAN START DATE
45	INDIAN END DATE

## 4.3 Defects and Fixes

Table 2 lists the defects and fixes and corresponding Jira identification numbers included in DG\*5.3\*1093.

**Table 2: Defects and Fixes in DG\*5.3\*1093**

Jira ID	Summary
VES-28771	<b>Defect:</b> INC26282817 - R2 - (MIN) VISTA PREFERRED LANGUAGE GLITCH When editing data groups 1,5 in the PATIENT DEMOGRAPHIC DATA, SCREEN <1> screen, an error is encountered when entering the Preferred Language. <b>Fix:</b> Variables X and Y are NEW'd at DR207^DGRPE1 to protect them when calling ^DIR to enter the Preferred Language.

## 4.4 Known Issues

No known or open issues were identified in this release.

## 4.5 Product Documentation

The following documents apply to this release:

<u>Documentation Title</u>	<u>File Name</u>
DG*5.3*1093 Release Notes	DG_5_3_1093_RN.PDF
PIMS Version 5.3 Technical Manual	PIMS_TM.PDF
PIMS Version 5.3 User Manual - Registration Menu	PIMS_REG_UM.PDF

Refer to the Software and Documentation Retrieval Instructions section of the patch descriptions for information on obtaining the DG\*5.3\*1093 PackMan patch and related documentation.

Documentation can be found on the VA Software Documentation Library at: <http://www.va.gov/vdl/>.