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1. Introduction

The Blind Rehabilitation (BR) team has made updates to the BR application. This document will summarize the updates made for release ANRV*5.1.17(BR 5.1.13) and provide brief instructional text for specific updates.

2. Purpose

These release notes cover the changes to Blind Rehabilitation (BR) for this release.

3. Audience

This document targets users and administrators of Blind Rehabilitation (BR) Application and applies to the changes made between this release and any previous release for this software.

4. General Updates

The following sections provide a summary of the functions and modifications to the existing software, and any known issue for Blind Rehabilitation BR 5.1.13.

5. Enhancements and Modifications to Existing Application

The following are the enhancements and modifications to the Blind Rehabilitation BR 5.1.13 release.

- Enhancements for users who have low vision
- Enhancements for users who rely on a screen reader

5.1 Enhancements for low vision users

The application previously lacked sufficient focus visible indication for low vision acuity. When a keyboard user moves focus to a tab link, there is now proper visible focus.

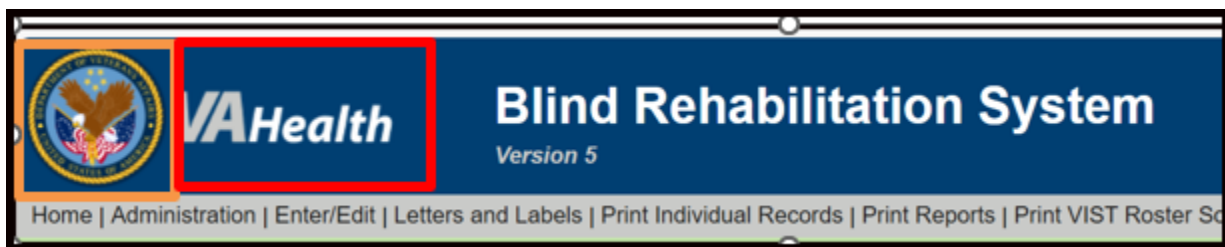
Figure 1 – tab link with visible focus



5.2 Enhancements for users who require a screen reader

Previously the application did not identify the graphics on the application with alternative text. Now when a Jaws user executes the keystroke to find graphics on the page, there is alternative text available to describe the images.

Figure 2 – Screenshot of the graphical images on Blind Rehab application



The Application Help previously did not have the correct instructions for unsighted users to navigate. The verbal cues given by Jaws screen reader to navigate the tree view have been corrected.

5.3 Known Issues

The updates made in this release will most likely need users to do a hard refresh. Some browsers store files in their cache therefore; you may not experience the updates with this software until your cache is cleared. Complete these 2 steps to enable the fixes included in the release.

1. To refresh CSS execute: CTRL+F5
2. To clear your cache, execute the following keystrokes:

- a. CTRL+ SHIFT + DELETE – Settings window will open
- b. TAB to the “Cached images” and ensure the box is checked
- c. TAB to the “Clear Now” button and press ENTER
- d. CTRL + W to close the Settings window

6. Product Documentation

The following documents apply to this release:

- ANRV 5.1 Patch Description, file name ANRV_5_1_17_PD
- ANRV 5.1 Centralized Server Installation/Implementation Guide, file name ANRV_5_1_17_CIG

7. JAWS Supported Versions

The supported JAWS versions can be found at the following link: [Job Access With Speech \(JAWS\) \(va.gov\)](#) 9 depicts the supported JAWS versions in a table format.

Figure 3 - TRM approved versions of JAWS

<Past	CY2024				CY2025				CY2026		
Release	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3
2019.x	Unapproved	Unapproved	Unapproved	Unapproved	Authorized w/ Constraints (POA&M)	Authorized w/ Constraints (POA&M)	Authorized w/ Constraints (POA&M)	Authorized w/ Constraints (POA&M)	Authorized w/ Constraints (POA&M)	Authorized w/ Constraints (POA&M)	Authorized w/ Constraints (POA&M)
2020.x	Approved w/Constraints [2, 11, 12, 15, 18]	Approved w/Constraints [2, 11, 12, 15, 18]	DIVEST [2, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17]	DIVEST [2, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17]	Authorized w/ Constraints (POA&M)	Authorized w/ Constraints (POA&M)	Authorized w/ Constraints (POA&M)	Authorized w/ Constraints (POA&M)	Authorized w/ Constraints (POA&M)	Authorized w/ Constraints (POA&M)	Authorized w/ Constraints (POA&M)
2021.x	Approved w/Constraints [2, 11, 12, 15, 18]	Approved w/Constraints [2, 11, 12, 15, 18]	DIVEST [2, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17]	DIVEST [2, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17]	Authorized w/ Constraints (POA&M)	Authorized w/ Constraints (POA&M)	Authorized w/ Constraints (POA&M)	Authorized w/ Constraints (POA&M)	Authorized w/ Constraints (POA&M)	Authorized w/ Constraints (POA&M)	Authorized w/ Constraints (POA&M)
2022.x	Approved w/Constraints [2, 11, 12, 15, 18]	Approved w/Constraints [2, 11, 12, 15, 18]	DIVEST [2, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17]	DIVEST [2, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17]	Authorized w/ Constraints (POA&M)	Authorized w/ Constraints (POA&M)	Authorized w/ Constraints (POA&M)	Authorized w/ Constraints (POA&M)	Authorized w/ Constraints (POA&M)	Authorized w/ Constraints (POA&M)	Authorized w/ Constraints (POA&M)
2023.x	Approved w/Constraints [2, 11, 12, 15, 18]	Approved w/Constraints [2, 11, 12, 15, 18]	DIVEST [2, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17]	DIVEST [2, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17]	Authorized w/ Constraints (POA&M)	Authorized w/ Constraints (POA&M)	Authorized w/ Constraints (POA&M)	Authorized w/ Constraints (POA&M)	Authorized w/ Constraints (POA&M)	Authorized w/ Constraints (POA&M)	Authorized w/ Constraints (POA&M)
2024.x	Approved w/Constraints [2, 11, 12, 15, 18]	Approved w/Constraints [2, 11, 12, 15, 18]	Approved w/Constraints [2, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17]	Approved w/Constraints [2, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17]	Authorized w/ Constraints [2, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17]	Authorized w/ Constraints (DIVEST) [2, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17]	Authorized w/ Constraints (DIVEST) [2, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17]	Authorized w/ Constraints (DIVEST) [2, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17]	Authorized w/ Constraints (POA&M)	Authorized w/ Constraints (POA&M)	Authorized w/ Constraints (POA&M)
2025.x	Unapproved	Unapproved	Unapproved	Unapproved	Authorized w/ Constraints [2, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17]	Authorized w/ Constraints [2, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17]	Authorized w/ Constraints [2, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17]	Authorized w/ Constraints [2, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17]	Authorized w/ Constraints [2, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17]	Authorized w/ Constraints [2, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17]	Authorized w/ Constraints [2, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17]
Note:	At the time of writing, version 2025.2412.50 is the most current version, released 12/30/2024.										