

**DMHAS**Division of Mental Health
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USTF+ Newsletter

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The Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) continually works on implementation of the new USTF+ system, which is a secure web-based application utilized to collect data for state and federal reporting, statistical analysis and needs assessments.

This newsletter will be delivered periodically to providers registered in the USTF+ system and posted on the USTF+ website.

IMPORTANT DATES



UPCOMING
EVENTS

03/31/25 - Release of USTF+ Update 3.5

04/04/25 - Webinar on USTF+ 3.5 ([register here](#))

04/18/2025 - Good Friday (state offices closed)

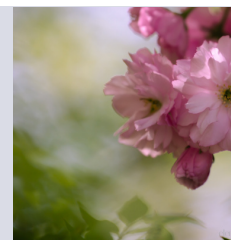
5/26/2025 Memorial Day (state offices closed)

*Please note the above state closures may affect response times to help desk tickets and the help desk email.



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New Features!



Client Search Results

- At the client search result screen, the "Program Element" and "Provider Name" will be displayed, regardless of the client's admitted agency.

Client Registration

- Registration Update: When there is a required data field missing in a client's registration record, the status of the client will dictate the following system processes:
 - **"Admission-in-Progress"** - the client's status will not be changed to the "Admitted" status until the registration information is updated and saved.
 - **"Admitted"** - the client discharge cannot be completed until the client's registration information is updated and saved.
 - **"Discharge-in-Progress"** - the discharge process cannot be completed until that client's registration record is updated and saved.
- Improved Linguistic Data Management. The following new languages will be listed if "No, other foreign language" option is selected:
 - Chinese (Incl. Mandarin, Cantonese)
 - Portuguese
 - Hindi
 - Gujarati
 - Tagalog (incl. Filipino)
 - Arabic
 - Korean
 - Polish
 - Haitian
 - Italian
 - Russian
 - Yoruba
 - Telugu
 - French
 - Other

If "Other" is selected, then OTHER SPECIFY must be answered.

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USTF+ Functionality Request Form





Client Admission

Emergency Admissions (CRSC Admissions Only) New Data Fields

- **Arrival Type - Walk-in/Self**
 - Walk-in / Family-Friends
 - Law Enforcement Drop-Off
 - Drop-off time.
- **Primary Diagnosis:** Functionality added to allow user to better distinguish if the consume has a primary SUD or a primary SMI.
 - For primary (serious mental illness) SMI clients, the principal diagnosis code (SMI) is required.
 - For primary substance use disorder (SUD) clients, the principal diagnosis code (SMI) is optional, but the primary SUD diagnosis code is mandatory.
- **Referral Source:** The following response values have been added:
 - MCORT
 - First Responder
 - Other (Specify) [A response to this question is mandatory if "Other" is selected]
- **In the Clinical Information / Problems / Diagnosis module the following new fields are added**
 - **SMI / SED Status:** The response values are:
 - At-Risk, SED
 - Not SMI nor SED
 - SED
 - SMI
 - Unknown
 - **Global Assessment of Functioning (GAF):** Note: Only numeric values between 1 - 100 permitted

New to USTF+?

The main site has recorded webinars to help you get started! Go to the main site [here](#) and scroll down to USTF+ News to view. Check out the links --->

[USTF Training Webinar](#)

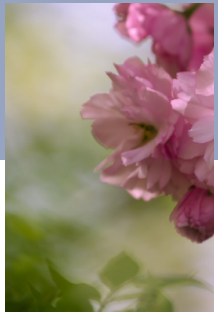
[USTF Demo](#)

[Emergency Admissions](#)





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New Features! (continued)



Coordinated Specialty Care - Community Integration (CSC-CI)

New "Screening Record" questions have been added

- **Assessment / Re-Assessment**
 - **Assessment Date**
 - **Emergency Services Provider:** Note: All providers which have sites with AES, DSC and CRSC program in USTF+ provider management will be listed.
 - **Program:** Response values are: AES, CRSC, DSC
 - **Site:** Note: All sites with program element AES, CRSC and DSC in USTF+ site management will be listed
 - **Admission Date**

Hospital Discharge re-assessment:

- The "Add Hospital Discharged from in the Past 180" field has been removed
- The "Add Hospital Discharged 30days" has been renamed "Add Hospital Discharged"

Links to assessment tools have been added.

Transfer In / Transfer Out

- Functionality added which now allows users to Transfer-In consumers into their County Psychiatric Hospitals (CPH) and Short Term Care Facilities (STCF).

Program Compatibility

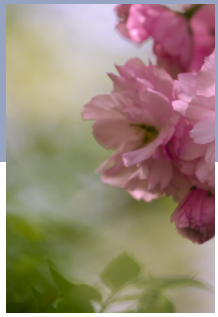
- To better assist users when "Program Compatibility" issues hinder an admission, the updated system will display current programs and current providers (along the non-compatibility message) if the client's is either "Admitted", "Admission-in-progress", and/or "Discharge-in-progress."

HINT: If a user is trying to admit a consumer into a program, but that consumer is *already admitted* in a program that is not compatible with that program, then the system will not allow the user to complete that admission record until the consumer is discharged from the program they were previously admitted to.



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New Features! (Continued)



Client Discharge

In the Client Discharge Module in the **Reason for Discharge** data field a new response value has been added "Transfer to "Emergency Medical Care"

Provider Agency Data Management

To increase the efficiency of DMHAS staff in resolving Help Tickets and assisting agency users, the updated system will have improved agency search capabilities.

Help Ticket Management

To increase the efficiency of provider agencies in using and tracking their Help Tickets the updated system will have improved agency search capabilities.

- Provider Users will be able to download data on the tickets created by users at their own agency.
- The Results for the Client ID listed in the ticket will also display the Program / Site Information.

User Credential Management

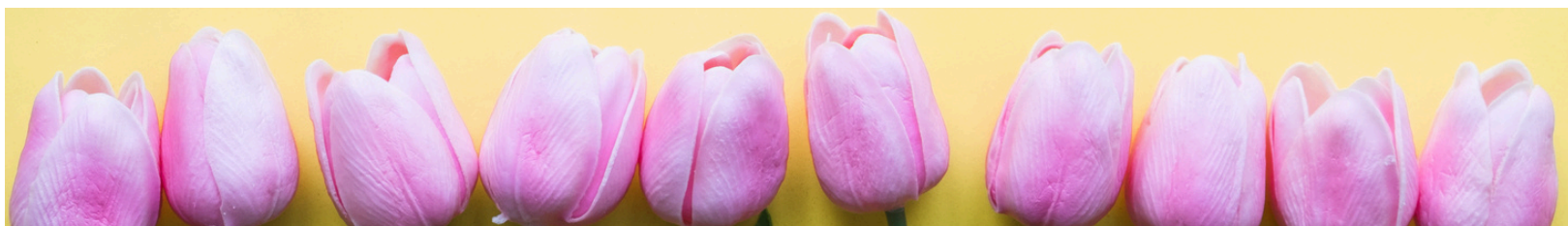
- Users at provider agency with "Agency Administrator" credentials will now be able to download information about the user credentials of those at their own agency.
- Provider users will have the ability to sort the results of the "User Search" screen.

Reports

- All client reports will separate the first and last name data fields, to make them easier to sort.
- Provider users will have the ability to download the list of clients at their own agency.
- Provider Site/Program data will be provided in a new viewable & downloadable report.

ICD-10 Updates

- DMHAS system administrators will have the ability to more quickly and efficiently update ICD-10 codes and descriptions.



For questions on help tickets: DMHAS.USTFPlus.Support@dhs.nj.gov
For other communication: DMHAS-USTFPlus.News@dhs.nj.gov



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Updated Program Compatibility Table



The Program
Compatibility
Table has been
updated, in
accordance with
NJ FamilyCare
and DHS/DMHAS
guidelines

| Program | Incompatible Programs | Exception Programs | Max Length of Stay |
|---------|--|--------------------|--------------------|
| AES | AES, STCF , CPH | | 6 Days |
| CSS | CSS, ICMS, PACT, PATH, RES, CSC-CI | | No Limit |
| CSC-CI | IOTSS, PACT, PC, PH, SED, SE, CSC-CI | CSS, ICMS, JIS | No Limit |
| CPH | AES , DSC , EISS, PH, STCF , CPH | | No Limit |
| CJR | CJR | ICMS, JIS, PATH | 24 Month |
| CDH | CDH, CH, PCR | | 30 Days |
| CH | CDH, CH, PCR | | 30 days |
| CRSC | CRSC | | >24 hours |
| DSC | DSC, STCF , CPH | | 6 Days |
| EISS | EISS, IOTSS, CPH | | 90 Days |
| ICMS | ICMS, CSS, JIS, PACT, PATH, RES | CSC-CI, CJR | 18 Mos |
| IOC | IOC, CPH | | no limit |
| IOTSS | EISS, IOTSS, OP, PACT, PC, PH, CSC-CI, CPH | | no limit |
| JIS | CSS, ICMS, JIS, PACT, PATH | CSC-CI, CJR | no limit |
| MCORT | MCORT | | 2 Days |
| OP | IOTSS, PACT, PH | PC | No Limit |
| PC | IOTSS, PC, PH, CSC-CI | OP, PACT | No Limit |
| PH | IOTSS, OP, PC, PH, CSC-CI | PACT | No Limit |
| PCR | CDH, CH, PCR | | 30 days |
| PACT | CSS, ICMS, IOTSS, JIS, OP, PACT, PATH, SE, CSC-CI | PC, PH, RES | No Limit |
| PATH | JIS, PACT, PATH, RES, CSC-CI | CSS, ICMS, CJR | no limit |
| RES | CSS, ICMS, PATH, RES | PACT | No Limit |
| STCF | DSC , AES , STCF , CPH | | 21 days |
| SED | SED, CSC-CI | | No Limit |
| SE | PACT, SE, CSC-CI | | No Limit |
| SCD | CSS, PACT, ICMS, PATH, JIS, RES | CSC-CI, CJR | No limit |

ARE YOUR
CONSUMERS
INTERESTED IN
BEING
ADVOCATES
FOR PEOPLE
WITH MENTAL
ILLNESS?

New Jersey is actively recruiting for members of the NJ Behavior Health Planning Council.
The council meets virtually on the 2nd Wednesday of every month from 10 am - 12 pm.

DMHAS is looking to increase participation from the following groups to help with monitoring, reviewing and evaluating the adequacy of mental health services and policies within the state:

**Adults with serious mental illness who are receiving (or who have received) services and/or
Families of adults with serious mental illness or children with serious emotional disturbance**

Please direct interested persons to:

<https://www.nj.gov/humanservices/dmhas/home/contact/> and put
"Planning Council" in the subject line, or call 1-800-382-6717, or 609-438-435