

# What's New in SSIS Version 15.3?

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## Highlights:

### Child Foster Care Report

Two new fields display on the "IV-E Recoveries" tab:

- "FFP IV-E Recovery Amount" – displays the FFP for the "IV-E Recoveries" entered
- "FFP Type" – used to calculate the "FFP IV-E Recovery Amount"

A new tab, "IV-E Remittance Advice" was added to the Child Foster Care Report. This new tab displays summary reimbursement amounts from the Child Foster Care Report for that report period. Use the information on this tab to code your revenue when Title IV-E claims are reimbursed.

"Legacy IV-E Claim" is now an optional column for grids in the Child Foster Care Report and Child Foster Care Claim Search. Claims with "Legacy IV-E Claim" as Yes mean the claim was submitted on a report prior to Q1 2015.

A change was made to the calculation of the Monthly Maximum Amount for EFC-SIL. The per diem was changed to calculate the monthly amount at 31 days in V15.2 and the V15.3 release has an update for the supplemental rate to calculate at 31 days. The calculation of the monthly amount is always based on 31 days.

The defect where negative claims calculations did not match the amounts of the original claim has been fixed.

### Document Transitions from Worker to State (Attached Files)

SSIS added new functionality to move attached files, Out-of-Home Placement Plans, and the MAPCY Rating Report from counties/tribes to DHS. This applies to Commissioner Transitions, Kinship, and Adoptions.

### Essential Community Supports

Waiver/AC claiming business rules are updated and HCPCS added for Essential Community Supports claiming.

### Grids

A new "Find" feature is available in all grids and grid reports.

- Use "Find" to filter search results for keywords in a grid.
- Turn this feature on by accessing grid options, select View and then Select Find Panel.
  - Ctrl F is the keyboard shortcut
- Turn off the feature from the Grid Action menu or click the red x in the Find Panel.

The "Find" field displays above the grid for entering options you wish to find in the grid. It can only find information in columns currently displaying, so the field chooser needs to be used to add optional columns as needed.

## **ICD-10 Healthcare Claiming Changes**

Business rules to accommodate ICD-10 diagnosis codes in Healthcare Claim generation and proofing. Although this functionality is available in V15.3, counties can't use it until October 1, 2015 or later when ICD-10 is in effect. Counties can prepare by continuing to enter ICD-10 diagnosis information for clients.

## **ICPC Special Cost Code**

The new special cost code "09-ICPC foster care increased rate" allows payments to be made to a foster home with an ICPC rate that is higher than Minnesota's basic + supplemental rates. Please use this new Special cost code in service arrangements and payments when applicable.

## **MAPCY – Extraordinary Levels Log**

When DHS requests clarification for Extraordinary Levels, the agency has 30 days to send it back for approval, otherwise it is auto-denied. A new menu option, Extraordinary Levels Log, was added to the Searches/Log menu. It displays if you have "Assess MAPCY" or "Approve MAPCY" authorization. "Approve MAPCY" is included so agency approvers can use this log to find those that are time sensitive because of a clarification request. The log includes Extraordinary Levels with a Clarification Request Date and a status of "Draft", "Pending agency certification", or "Clarification needed". (Note: Extraordinary Levels with a status of "Pending agency certification" also show on the Extraordinary Levels Approval Log. Only those with a Clarification Request Date display in the new Extraordinary Levels Log.)

## **MAPCY Scoring Adjustments**

Domain U (Young Parents) which was previously only available in the EFC-SIL assessment tool, has been reworked and renamed to Domain I (Young Parents). Additionally, Domain I has been added to the Youth assessment tool.

Below is an explanation of the new Domain's scope.

### **Youth Domains**

#### **I. Young Parents**

##### **Scope**

This domain measures the support for a parenting foster youth living with their child (ren) in a family foster home. Northstar Care for Children permits the benefit to accommodate the board and care of a youth's child(ren) when an agency does not have placement, care and supervision responsibility for a youth's child(ren).

### **Extended Foster Care – Supervised Independent Living Domains**

#### **I. Young Parents**

##### **Scope**

This domain measures the support for a parenting foster youth living with their child(ren) in an extended foster care – supervised independent living setting. Northstar Care for Children permits the benefit to accommodate the board and care of a youth's child(ren)

when an agency does not have placement, care and supervision responsibility for a youth's child(ren).

Additionally, the Extraordinary Levels calculation process has been adjusted to appropriately factor in the indicators of Education, Service Access I, Service Access II and Medically Dependent I.

### **MAPCY Text Changes**

V15.3 incorporates changes in the text of the MAPCY assessment, including all three sub-tools:

- Child Domains (ages birth-12)
- Youth Domains (ages 13 up to 21 living with a caregiver)
- EFC-SIL Domains (Extended Foster Care – Supervised Independent Living ages 18 up to 21)

Most of these changes are minor wording edits to increase consistency through the MAPCY, while others clarify.

These text changes have been included in both the on-screen version and the paper document. They are also available online as part of the Northstar Care pages on CountyLink.

### **Northstar Document Updates and Additions**

New language regarding extensions past age 18 has been added to all four Benefit Agreement documents. Additionally, successor information now displays on the Kinship Benefit Agreement when the funding source is non-Title IV-E. All documents have some minor text changes. Local agency headers are not required for these documents. The following Person Documents are updated:

- Northstar Adoption Assistance Benefit Agreement
- Northstar At- Risk Adoption Assistance Benefit Agreement
- Northstar Kinship Assistance Benefit Agreement
- Northstar RCA CT Assistance Benefit Agreement
- Notice to Adoptive Parents At-Risk Adoption Assistance.

### **Post Permanency Reassessment**

Northstar Care for Children legislation and resulting program changes for child welfare became effective January 1, 2015.

For a child receiving benefits through Northstar Adoption or Northstar Kinship Benefit Agreement, reassessments may be requested by the caregiver. A reassessment may be requested if at least six months have passed since the last assessment.

The functionality of Post Permanency Reassessments consists of:

- A log in SSIS DHS (DHS Adoptions Unit) containing all the children that DHS staff "initiates" a reassessment
- Menu action for DHS staff to "Initiate Reassessment"
- Menu action to designate a county if one is not already listed
- A log in SSIS Worker for each local agency to view their reassessment

- Functionality in SSIS Worker to complete a new MAPCY and compare the results of the original MAPCY.
- Letter in SSIS Worker to notify the caregiver if the results are same or lower or if the results are higher
- Notification to DHS staff that a higher benefit level is approved
- Functionality in SSIS DHS to increase the benefit level for payments
- A new Role/Function in SSIS Administration, "Access Post Perm Reassess Log" to assign to appropriate users for access to the log.

### **New and Converted Court Documents**

The "Report to Court" document was disabled, and replaced with four new RTF documents. Additionally, two new documents were added in response to legislative action. These documents do not use a Local Agency Header. The following new documents are available in Chronology:

- Report to the Court – Child in Out-of-Home Placement
- Report to the Court – Child Not in Out-of-Home Placement
- Report to the Court – DD-ED
- Report to the Court – Indian Child in Out-of-Home Placement
- Confidential Document Cover Sheet Form 11.3
- Confidential Information Form 11.4

### **SDM Reunification Tool Redesign**

The Reunification tool evaluates risk, visitation engagement, safety issues, and the appropriateness of the permanency plan goal. Results are used to reach a placement permanency recommendation and to guide decisions about whether or not to return a child(ren) home. The tool has been revised.

### **Service Arrangements and Payments**

An additional column "As of" displays in the License dropdown on Service Arrangements and Payments. The "As of" displays the effective dates of the "Status" of the LNDX record.