

Executive Summary

CARES 2.0 released on 10/31/2018 includes the following new feature.

- **Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths (CANS)** – an assessment tool that is used as part of the Child and Family Team (CFT) process to identify the needs and strengths of the child and caregivers which supports decision making, case planning and level of care for the child. The California Department of Social Services (CDSS) selected CANS as the functional assessment tool to be used statewide, pursuant to the Continuum of Care Reform (CCR).

Release Description

CARES 2.0 Release provides new system features associated to Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths (CANS) and enhancements to Identity Management (IDM) - Manage Users and Child Welfare History Snapshot features. In addition, there are interim processes for system features not working as designed and known bugs.

CANS

The following **New Features** are for **CANS**:

| # | CANS - New Feature Description |
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| 1 | The CANS assessment tool in CARES is a digital form that matches the current CANS paper assessment. The CANS assessment is saved and maintained in CARES for easy access by users. |
| 2 | On the County Client List page, users can: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Search for a child to determine the child already exists 2. Add a Child/Youth 3. Edit Child/Youth Information |
| 3 | In the Child/Youth Profile card, users can: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Add/Edit the child's profile information 2. View the child's name, DOB, and county 3. View the Client ID and Case Number associated with the child, if applicable 4. Set the Access Restrictions to mark as sensitive or sealed. |
| 4 | In the Assessment History card, users can: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Add a new CANS assessment for the child/youth 2. View a list of CANS assessments for the child/youth 3. Access an existing CANS assessment 4. View the last person to access the CANS assessment <p>Note: The Assessment History card displays once the Child/Youth Profile information is added.</p> |
| 5 | On the CANS Assessment Application page, users can: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Select 1 of 2 CANS templates based on age (0-5 or 6-21) |

| # | CANS - New Feature Description |
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| | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Edit and save a CANS assessment 3. Submit a CANS assessment. It saves to CARES and is accessible to view. 4. Print a CANS assessment |

Identity Management

The following **Enhancements** are for **Identity Management – Manage Users**:

| # | Manage Users - New Feature Description |
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| 1 | County Administrators have the option to filter the user list by office using the Filter User List View by Office dropdown menu. |
| 2 | When County Administrators access the Manager Users page, the default view will be users for all offices available in that county. |
| 3 | Administrators can assign CANS permissions to users in CARES. Note: Users MUST have an active CWS/CMS Login (RACFID) in order to be assigned CANS permissions in CWS-CARES. |
| 4 | County Administrators can resend a user the CARES registration email if the original registration has expired or has not been completed. |
| 5 | On the Manage Users and User Profile pages, the End Date has been removed. On the Manage Users page, this was a column in the User List. On the User Profile page, this was a field. This option is not applicable and is not pulled from CWS/CMS. |
| 6 | When using the pagination arrows or numbers to navigate to a new page within the User List, users are taken to the top of the new page. |
| 7 | The Last Login Date information displays on the Manage Users and User Profile pages. On the Manage Users page, this is a column in the User List. On the User Profile page, this is a field. |

Child Welfare History Snapshot

The following **Enhancements** are for **Child Welfare History Snapshot**:

| # | Child Welfare History Snapshot - New Feature Description |
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| 1 | Fuzzy search feature (i.e. search for misspelled names) removed to enhance performance. |
| 2 | When searching for a person record, Probation Youth displays in the Search Results for youth in probation. |
| 3 | When searching for a person record, Deceased displays in the Search Results for deceased clients. |
| 4 | CSEC displays next to the person's name in the youth's Person card. CSEC data also displays in the Person card. |
| 5 | Probation Youth displays next to the person's name in the youth's Person card. |

Interim Processes

Interim processes are short-term, alternative steps for users given known system bugs or CARES features not working as designed. They may be informational only (when no workaround is available).

[*Link to Interim Processes spreadsheet*](#)