

TDVS Fact Sheet VetraSpec Release 23.1 August 1, 2023

<u>1 Big Thing: You Need to Clear Your Cache</u>

All VetraSpec Users will need to clear their cache on August 2, 2023, following the successful deployment of VetraSpec Release 23.1. <u>Step-by-step instructions</u> for several browsers are included in this fact sheet.

Key Updates

1. <u>SSN Now Optional</u>

DO NOT leave the SSN field empty when establishing a VetraSpec profile. It will result in duplicate records and prevent electronic submission of claims.

Recommendation: Continue to use the "General Contact Log" for Veterans and clients that do not wish to provide a social security number or establish a record.



Here's some background: In May 2020, VetraSpec added a General Communication Log feature for Tennessee VetraSpec users. VetraSpec created this feature because they were aware that several customers used a fake veteran record to log general office communications. Since this was not ideal, they created a General Contact Log.



- You may use this to log all communications in your office **not** associated with a veteran record.
- The entries will **NOT** be associated with a veteran, even if you enter the vet's name. If you need to enter a communication for a specific vet, please continue to go into that vet's record and use the Communication tab.
- You may use the General Contact Log whether or not you are in a vet's record.
- If you are in a vet's record and get a phone call, simply click the General Contact Log tab at the top right of the screen, enter your contact entry, submit it, and continue working in the vet's record. You may also open this tab in a new form/window and leave it up for the day.
- You will find links to this new feature on the lower left of the Home/Search screen and in the tab bar, to the left of "My Tasks" if you are in a vet's record.
- For reporting purposes, on the Reports tab, in the Communication column, you will find a link to a report called "General Contact Log".

2. <u>New Look Welcome Screen</u>

Email and Military Service Number have been added as search fields. This gives the Welcome screen a new look and feel, but functionality is the same.

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3. Improved Usage of "See All My Veterans"



VetraSpec included a Tennessee VetraSpec Work Group recommendation and improved search/usage capabilities for "See All My Veterans."

Background: TDVS has established a VetraSpec Work Group to assess and recommend improvements to VetraSpec and its utilization to support consistent operations. In December 2022, the group provided VetraSpec with recommendations for system improvements, which included the improved search/usage capabilities in "See All My Veterans" that was included in this release.



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<u>What Happens Next</u>

All users will learn more about the enhancements over the coming days as they use the system. There will be screens that look different, functionality that might work – or not work -- in an unexpected way, and opportunities to use release upgrades to improve customer service.

Contact your <u>Regional Director</u> to offer feedback, so we can engage Tyler Technologies in a unified way to ensure the VetraSpec claims management system continues to meet the needs of Tennessee's advocates.



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