
N-FOCUS Interim Release

Combined All Divisions

September 20, 2026

An Interim Release of the N-FOCUS System is being implemented September 20, 2026. This document provides information explaining new functionality, enhancements and problem resolutions made effective with this release. This document is divided into two main sections and addresses all of the Divisions, MLTC, OEA, CFS, DA and BH.

General Interest and Mainframe Topics: All N-FOCUS users should read this section.

Expert System: All N-FOCUS workers with responsibilities for case entry for AABD, ADC, SNAP, LIHEAP, Medicaid, CFS, etc. should read this section.

Note: When new functionality is added to N-FOCUS that crosses multiple topics (i.e. General Interest and Mainframe, Alerts, Correspondence, Expert System etc.) the functionality will be described in one primary location. This location will usually be the General Interest and Mainframe section or the Expert System section. Alerts, Work Tasks and Correspondence that are part of the new functionality may be documented in both the primary location that describes the entire process in addition to being in the Alerts, Work Tasks and Correspondence sections.

Interfaces, Document Imaging and N-FOCUS Tips sections will be added as appropriate for the release.

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General Interest and Mainframe

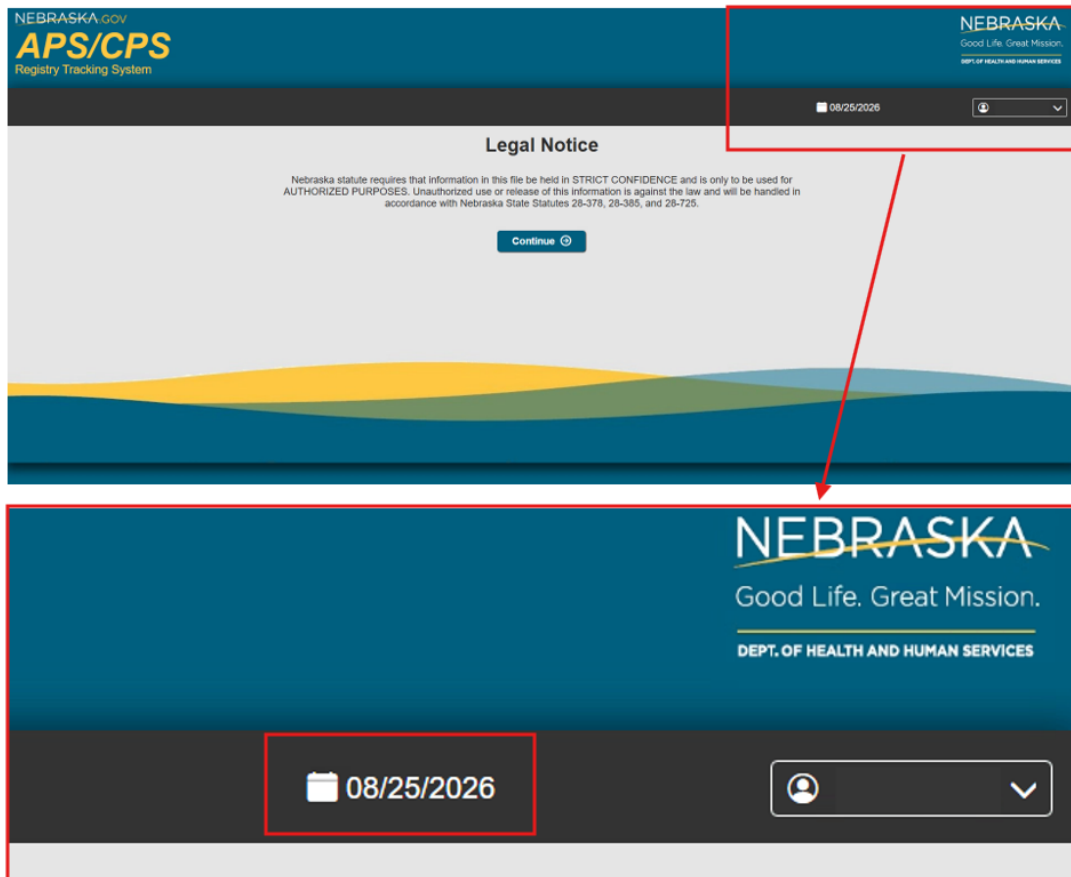
CFS – Nebraska Youth Transition Database (NYTD) and APS/CPS Registry Tracking Web Applications Upgrades (Change)

The Nebraska Youth Transition Database (NYTD) survey web application and APS/CPS Registry Tracking System web application have received back-end security system maintenance updates, as well upgrades to the latest software package. There are no changes to existing functions and displays, with the exception of the addition of the highlighted function below to maintain consistency across web applications and provide a useful tool:

Added date display to the heading of Nebraska Youth Transition Database (NYTD) survey web application (all pages/sections).

The image displays two screenshots of the Nebraska Youth Transition Database (NYTD) survey web application. The top screenshot shows the full survey page with a red box highlighting the header area containing the date '08-25-2026' and the 'Español' link. The bottom screenshot is a zoomed-in view of the header area, showing the 'NEBRASKA' logo, the tagline 'Good Life. Great Mission.', the department name 'DEPT. OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES', the date '08-25-2026' in a calendar icon, and the 'Español' link. A red arrow points from the top screenshot to the bottom one.

Added date display to the heading of APS/CPS Registry Tracking System web application (all pages/section).



CFS – Protective Service Alert (PSA) Web Application Upgrades (Change)

As part of security systems maintenance and ensuring compatibility with the latest technology, the N-FOCUS Protective Service Alert (PSA) web application has received major technical upgrades. In addition, the web application has the following updates and enhancements.

(Previous)

The screenshot shows the 'NE Focus Protective Service Alert' form. It has a dark blue header with the 'NE Focus' logo. The form is divided into sections: a top section for case details (Status, PSA ID Number, Create Date, Case Worker, Address, Phone, Email), a 'Missing Person Information' section (Name of Youth, DOB, Gender, Age of Youth, Race, Ethnicity, Date Missing), a 'Description of Youth' section, a 'Select Images' section with an 'Add Image' button, and a 'From what city and state did this Protective Service Alert originate?' section with dropdown menus for City and State. There is also a 'What are the circumstances of the situation and/or the relevant history of this case?' section with a 'Copy' button. The form has a 3500 character limit for the description and history sections.

(Updated/upgraded)

The screenshot shows the updated 'NEBRASKA PSA Protective Service Alert' form. It has a modern design with a teal header and a dark blue footer. The form is divided into sections: a top section for case details (Status, PSA ID Number, Create Date, Case Worker, Address, Phone, Email), a 'Missing Person Information' section (Name of Youth, DOB, Gender, Age of Youth, Race, Ethnicity, Date Missing), a 'Description of Youth' section, a 'Select Images' section with an 'Add Image' button, and a 'From what city and state did this Protective Service Alert originate?' section with dropdown menus for City and State. There is also a 'What are the circumstances of the situation and/or the relevant history of this case?' section with a 'Copy' button. The form has a 3500 character limit for the description and history sections. The footer includes a 'Contact Us | Disclaimer Security, Privacy & Accessibility Policy' link.

Updates

- Major visual updates to bring up to modern standards and enhance user experience
- Updated header title to PSA Protective Services Alert to maintain consistency with DHHS web applications naming scheme
- Removed tif (or tiff) file type from image requirements
- Removed gif file type from image requirements
- Detailed error message to highlight permitted image file types of JPEG and PNG when adding disallowed file type(s)
- Detailed error message to highlight permitted image file size of up to 1 megabyte (MB) when adding large file size
- Detailed error message to highlight maximum image file count of 1 to choose for successful Check In

CFS – State Ward Trust Fund Accounts Percentage Funds and New Transactions (Change)

Nebraska youths who are Wards of the State and between the ages of 14 and 18, can accumulate additional money in a new fund. Depending upon the age of the youth, the percentage of accumulation will change.

NEW Fund Bucket: Percentage Funds

Youth Age Accumulation Begins	Percentage Accumulated
14	20%
15	20%
16	30%
17	40%
18	50%

Purpose:

Nebraska youth who are Wards of the State, have guardianship accounts for deposits and authorized withdrawals. The Percentage Fund bucket begins accumulating monies for the youth at age 14. Once the PA Balance fund is satisfied (has 1K in funds), As money is coming into the account, if the youth meets the age requirement, as deposits are made into the youth's guardianship account, a percent of those funds will go towards the Percentage Fund bucket, the rest (if any) would go towards the Excess Available fund bucket. These funds will accrue regardless of if the guardianship account has a Monthly Maintenance status of YES OR NO.

EXAMPLES:

Minnie Miller, Age 10

The screenshot shows the N-FOCUS - Detail Trust Fund Account window for Minnie Miller. The window is divided into several sections: Person, Account, Balances, Personal Assets, and Account Transactions.

Person:

- Name: MINNIE MILLER
- Legal Status: HHS Ward
- Birthdate: 01-01-2016
- Assigned To: OMAHA-1500 N 24TH

Account:

- Number: 1054
- Status: Open
- Status Date: 08-10-2026
- Bank Account: GUARDIANSHIP TRUST
- Type: Guardianship

Balances:

- Current: \$2,000.00
- Available: \$2,000.00

Personal Assets:

- Total Accumulated: \$1,000.00
- PA Balance: \$1,000.00
- Percentage Funds: \$0.00
- Available: \$1,000.00
- Excess Available: \$1,000.00

Account Transactions:

Date	Description	Debit	Credit	Balance	Payee
08-13-2026	SSI		\$1,000.00	+2,000.00	
08-13-2026	SSA		\$1,000.00	+1,000.00	

Two deposits were made. One, satisfied the PA Balance fund. The second, to the Available fund. No Percentage Funds were accumulated because the youth is age 10, not 14, 15, 16, 17, or 18 years of age.

Abraham Morris, Age 15

The screenshot shows the N-FOCUS - Detail Trust Fund Account window for Abraham Morris. The window is divided into several sections: Person, Account, Balances, Personal Assets, and Account Transactions.

Person:

- Name: ABRAHAM MORRIS
- Legal Status: HHS Ward
- Birthdate: 07-15-2011
- Assigned To: LEXINGTON - ACCESSNEBRASKA CUS

Account:

- Number: 1052
- Status: Open
- Status Date: 08-10-2026
- Bank Account: GUARDIANSHIP TRUST
- Type: Guardianship

Balances:

- Current: \$1,950.00
- Available: \$1,950.00

Personal Assets:

- Total Accumulated: \$1,000.00
- PA Balance: \$1,000.00
- Percentage Funds: \$200.00
- Available: \$1,200.00
- Excess Available: \$750.00

Account Transactions:

Date	Description	Debit	Credit	Balance	Payee
08-17-2026	DFP ACCT TO ABLE	\$50.00		+1,950.00	MARINO, DAN
08-13-2026	SSI		\$1,000.00	+2,000.00	
08-13-2026	SSA		\$1,000.00	+1,000.00	

After the PA Balance of \$1K is satisfied, the next deposit of \$1K, 20% of that \$1K went into the Percentage Funds bucket, which is \$200.00 because the percentage of the \$1K was 20% for the age of the youth.

Tracy Lemon, Age 17

N-FOCUS - Detail Trust Fund Account

File Actions Detail Goto Help

Person
Name TRACY LEMON
Legal Status HHS Ward
Birthdate 05-15-2009 Assigned To CENTRAL

Account
Number 1008 Status Open Status Date 03-17-2020
Bank Account TRACY LEMON
Type Guardianship
Comments

Balances UPDATE
Current \$3,500.00
Available \$3,500.00

Personal Assets
Total Accumulated \$1,000.00
PA Balance \$1,000.00
Percentage Funds \$400.00
Available \$1,400.00
Excess Available \$2,100.00
 Unreimbursed Claims

Account Transactions

Date	Description	Debit	Credit	Balance	Payee
08-13-2026	SSA		\$2,000.00	+3,500.00	
03-20-2020	SSA		\$500.00	+1,500.00	
03-20-2020	SSA		\$500.00	+1,000.00	
03-20-2020	SSA		\$500.00	+500.00	

In this example, there is a \$2K deposit. \$1K of that deposit, satisfied the PA Balance amount. The remaining \$1K, 40% went towards the Percentage Funds bucket (40% because the youth is age 17).

Other Notes:

Transaction Number	Transaction Description	Withdrawal Bucket
85	Dep Perc Fn to Able	Percentage Funds
86	FWD Perc Bal to SSN	Percentage Funds
87	Dep Acct to Able	Available Funds

These new transactions are now available in NFOCUS to withdraw the money in the Percentage Fund bucket to Able and Social Security. The last transaction allows the user to withdraw money from the Available Fund bucket to Able.

Interfaces

[**OEA – Medicaid Denials to Marketplace for Ineligible Aliens**](#)

With this release, Medicaid applications that are closed or denied due to an Ineligible Alien status will be transferred to the Federally Facilitated Marketplace (FFM).

Correspondence

[**CFS- LB 275 Correspondence Print Local Issue \(Fix\)**](#)

LB 275 correspondence types released with the July 19, 2026 release had an issue where the Print Local option was not functioning. This has been resolved. Effected correspondence types:

- CFS Child Eligibility Payee Info
- CFS Child Rep Payee Appeal Info
- CFS Child Exit Care
- CFS Parent GAL Eligibility Payee Info
- CFS Parent GAL Rep Payee Appeal Info
- CFS Child Parent Info Prior to Leaving Care
- CFS Parent GAL Exit Care
- CFS Child Settlement
- CFS Parent GAL Settlement

Expert System

[**OEA - Child Care Subsidy Federal Poverty and State Median Income Levels Update \(Change\)**](#)

Child Care budgets will reflect the new Federal Poverty and State Median Income levels effective 10-1-2026.

[**OEA – Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program \(Change\)**](#)

The 2027 Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) income and benefit levels will be reflected in energy budgets effective 10-1-2026

[**OEA – Medicaid Emergency Medical Assistance Funding \(Change\)**](#)

CHIP or MAGI expansion participants in the Emergency Medical Assistance (EMSA) program will no longer have enhanced funding.