Progress Update: Automating VTrckS ExIS Data Exchange & Usability Best Practices Catalog

Background

- Awardees transitioned to VTrckS by May 2013
- 47 awardees regularly upload order and inventory data from their IIS
- Two projects
 - Automated VTrckS ExIS Data Exchange
 - Usability Best Practices Catalog

Automated VTrckS ExIS Data Exchange

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Automated Data Exchange Vision

Objective

Automate data exchange between VTrckS and awardee ExIS



Method

The solution will include:

- Steps awardees need to take to prepare
- Blueprint for VTrckS development

Audience

ExIS awardees that wish to do so

Benefits

- Near real-time data exchange
- Increase efficiency
- Reduce errors

Proposed data exchange solution

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Error Analysis: Most Frequent Errors

Provider Master Data

- {1} Business hours must be in military format (HHMM)
- $\{7\}$ Last Name cannot contain special characters for ?*0% = <> for Record Types B, P and C

Inventory Data

- {2} Multiple lines with the same Provider PIN, NDC and Lot Number are not allowed
- {3} Invalid NDC
- {4} Lot Number is invalid or blank
- **{6}** Provider PIN does not exist

Order Data

{5} Invalid NDC or blocked NDC

Error Analysis

- Automating should prevent some errors, such as:
 - NDC is blocked and cannot be ordered
- Awardee IIS will need to prevent other errors
 - Provider business hours must be in HHMM (military time)
 format
 - Multiple lines with the same combination of Provider PIN,
 NDC, Lot Number for an inventory transaction

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STC Data Exchange Readiness

Sample strategies to increase data quality and reduce manual entry include:

- Implement data entry validation on manual entry fields to prevent formatting errors
- Display all information awardees need for making decisions
- Include only validated data in the ExIS upload files
- Expand search and filtering capacities to target provider master data (PMD) updates

Prevent Errors -> Improve Data Quality

- Implement data entry validation on manual entry fields to prevent formatting errors
 - **Future:** Users cannot type disallowed characters (? * % & = < >) in free text fields.
 - **Present:** Users can type disallowed characters in free text fields.
- Display all information awardees need for making decisions
- Include only validated data in the ExIS upload files
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Steps All Awardees can Take

- As you have opportunity, trap for errors
 - The VTrckS ExIS team can give awardees a list of errors to address
- Ensure all orders originate in the ExIS
 - Flu orders
 - Direct ship orders in excess of \$25K
- Stay tuned for updates

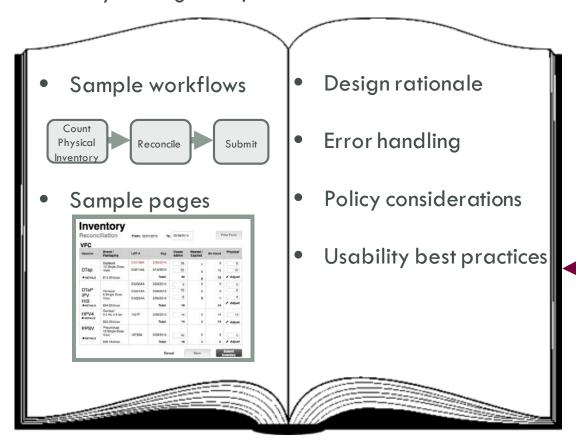
Ordering and Inventory Usability Best Practices Catalog

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Usability Best Practices Catalog

Objective

Document usability best practices for vaccine ordering, inventory management, and related functions



Audience

- Awardees considering new ordering and inventory tracking functions
- Awardees seeking to improve usability of existing functions

Inputs

- Design observations
- Available training
- Small group discussions

Why Develop the Catalog?

- Address a need to make vaccine ordering and inventory functions easier for IIS users, particularly providers
- Provide awardees a best practice resource to guide their efforts in building easy to use systems based on industry standard usability guidelines
- Consolidate existing vaccine ordering and inventory best practices into an accessible resource

Activity Timeline

OCT 2014: Project Kick-off

FEB 2016: ExIS
UBPC Publication

FEB 2016: AIRA Webinar
JAN 2016: ExIS UBPC Flu Prebook Demonstration
OCT 2015–JAN 2016: Review and Feedback
JUN-AUG 2015: Small Group Discussions

APR 2016: AIRA National Meeting

Usability Best Practices Catalog

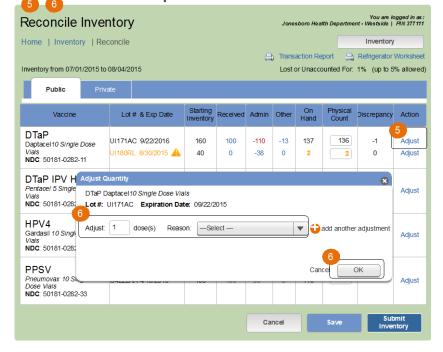
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Sample Workflows



Sample Wireframes



Prevent Errors -> Improve Data Quality

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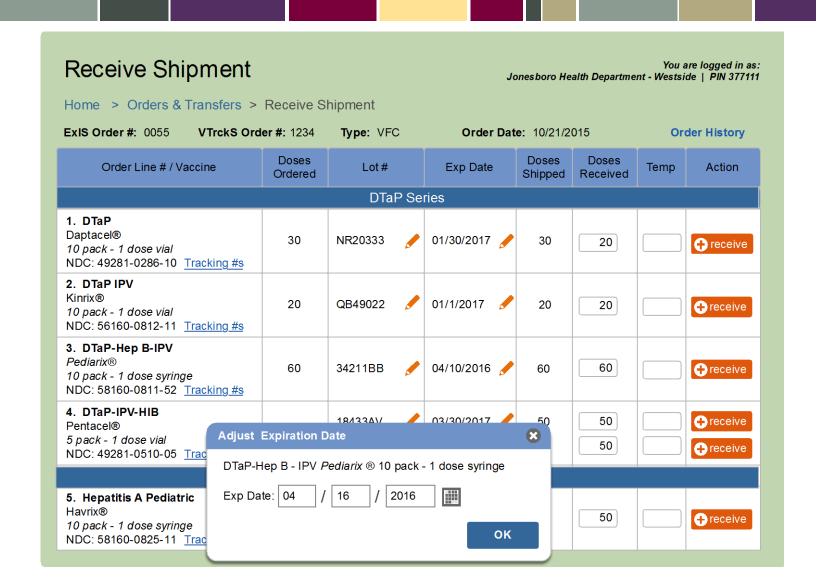
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Perform field level validation

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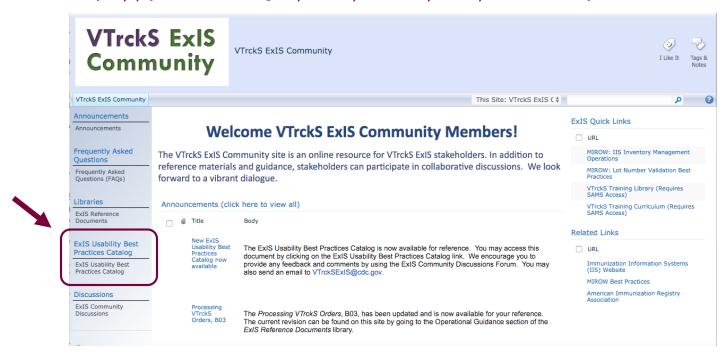
- Upload and populate valid values from trusted sources
 - VTrckS Shipment Data File NDC's, lot numbers, expiration dates, quantities
 - Federal Vaccines List NDC's, lot numbers available for ordering
- Use data entry controls instead of free text fields
 - E.g., calendar control for dates
- Perform field level validation
 - Prevent users from entering values that are not valid

Example: Ul for Receiving Shipments



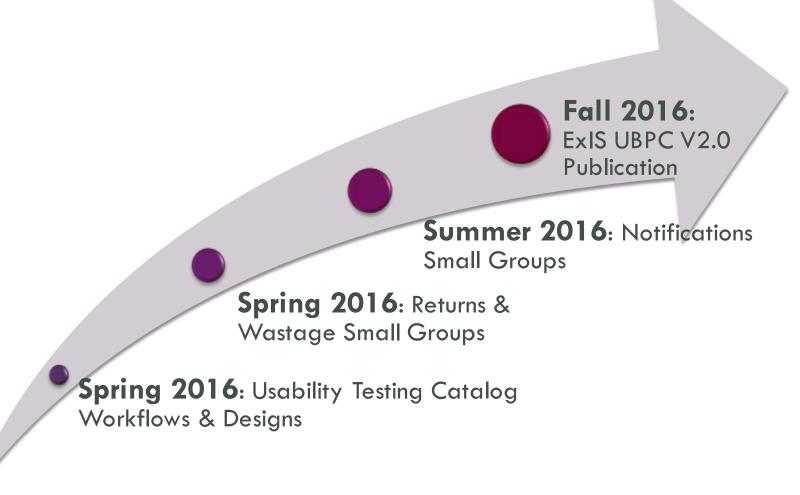
How to Access the Catalog

- ExIS Usability Best Practices Catalog is accessible via the VTrckS ExIS Community Site
 - https://partner.cdc.gov/Sites/NCIRD/VEC/default.aspx



If you want to join, send a request to <u>VTrckSExIS@cdc.gov</u>

Future Plans



Additional Resources

AIRA Introduction to the VTrckS ExIS Usability Best Practices Catalog recorded webinar

http://www.immregistries.org/events/2016/02/29/introduction-to-the-vtrcks-exis-usability-best-practices-catalogwebinar

Learn More About Usability

- Are you interested in learning more about usability testing?
- Are you interested in participating in a usability test of select ExIS Usability Best Practices Catalog prototypes?
- If so, send a message to <u>VTrckSExIS@cdc.gov</u>

Thank You!

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