

Minutes of the
DESY Customer Meeting
Held at CMS, August 30, 2005

Attendees: Phone/Video: Amy Zambrowski (Mathematica), Elizabeth Axelrod, ResDAC, University of Michigan, Miriam Campbell, RCI, Tricenturion, LeAnn Weaver, Hygen Nguyen, and Rich Mead.

CMS: Barbara Roth, Walter Dunick, Brian Baranoski, Kim Skellan, and Patte Roschitz.

VIPS: Heather Steger, Chris Knott, and Cheryl Mitchell

Opening Statement

Barbara Roth ran the meeting and provided the following highlights:

Operations

- o Status of DESY request processing:
- o No requests in the system over 30-days.
- o 18 SAF, 6 NCH, 21 NMUD, and No MEDPAR.
- o Request processing timeframe within DESY: Average request completion time is about a month.

o Release v5.3:

- o Addition of 2005-year cycle for NCH, SAF, and DENOM.
- o Year 2005 for MEDPAR will be completed by close of business today.
- o 2004-year files will have the June 2005 updates.
- o VOLSER information has been added to the completion email notification.
- o Addition of dropped record output option for NCH final action processing.
- o All copylibs will be written to DASD.
- o Input finder file have a 3 million record limit: This includes HICAN, zip code, etc...

* NOTE: Users will not see a rejection of request on the front end. The notification will come from a DESY Maintenance staff member after request is queued.

- o Notified users that there is a Quickstart problem that changes the scheduler. This has cause users to receive incorrect amount of records.

Questions

Q: The "command interface" error is showing in DESY?

A: Yes, other users reported the problem for yesterday 8/29. A Sybase problem being addressed; therefore, the error message was displayed. DESY is up with no problems as of today 8/30.

Q: When selecting a MEDPAR request, what is the difference between 'Whole Record output' and 'Whole Record View' output?

A: Whole Record output contains packed data, and Whole Record View contains unpacked data.

Q: Where can the record layout be founded?

A: They are located on the News and Information page.