

Changes in SPARQ - Release 7.2

This release focused on:

- Improved reporting of Most in Need/Waiver Factors
- Improvement in the quality of the data
- Reducing grantee burden
- Revising the functionality of the Authorized Position Utility
- Interpreting the QPRs

Below is a synopsis of the modifications implemented, but you may click [Release 7.2 features](#) for details of the changes.

Improved Reporting

Program year filters (multiple year filter) have been added restricting the results to the filters selected. In addition, the report highlights when there is still time available for credit in selected categories (e.g. Severe Disability).

Data Quality

The number of warnings received for blank contact titles, will be reduced as a date filter has been added to eliminate warnings for records earlier than 7/1/2009. In addition, duplicate organizations cannot be entered in SPARQ, based on organization name and state.

Reduction in Grantee Burden

The warning message for date of eligibility determination has been revised to be more user friendly. In addition, the warning messages received for blank phone numbers and low literary skills will be reduced based on the date filter implemented in this release.

Authorized Position Utility

Authorized positions can now be assigned at the county level for Grantees. The allocation at the county level is effective with PY16. Data prior to PY16 should not be changed. The system displays the number of positions that can be allocated and calculates the number of positions remaining to be allocated. Grantee Administrators will not be allowed to over allocate or under allocate positions to their sub-grantees. In either event, the system will display a message regarding the status of the allocation. Similarly, a message will be displayed when all positions have been allocated by the Grantee Administrator.

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Interpreting the QPRs

As a result of the changes to the modified slots in the middle of the third quarter, a message appears in the header of the QPRs, highlighting the content and usage of the QPRs.