

## Looking Ahead

- NBIS migration and modernization efforts continue. The goal of NBIS remains the same – deliver end to end personnel vetting in compliance with Trusted Workforce 2.0. DCSA strives to move forward with a program that instills confidence and is based on a modern and secure technology stack; the only change is the strategic approach to achieve the goal. The previous approach was to build all capability new in the cloud; however, to rebuild vetting end to end from scratch is a massive undertaking and was taking too long to build. Improvements to legacy systems will continue, which will result in appropriate resource utilization. We are at a critical juncture to deliver technology to support trusted workforce implementation.
- Continue sharing your feedback! We are reformatting our communication efforts to provide the maximum value and transparency to you and ensure we incorporate your input. We appreciate your patience as we work to align to a Service Level Management (SLM) approach.

## Release Highlights From 4.8

- **Restrict Editing Org:** Users will not be able to edit the organization when editing affiliation information.

Release 4.8 was deployed on November 7. Summarized release details will be posted on [DCSA.mil](https://DCSA.mil). For more detailed information on IRA release content, please visit the [STEPP website](#).

## Training

NBIS Training Scoop newsletters are sent to all NBIS users, copies of current and prior editions can also be accessed on [DCSA.mil](https://DCSA.mil) under NBIS Training. Moving forward these will be sent on a quarterly basis.

- The NBIS Training Program is currently working through their catalog of products to bring them current through the 4.7.2 release of NBIS.
- An updated Introduction to eApp video has been posted to assist applicants on [DCSA.mil/NBIS](https://DCSA.mil/NBIS). Helpful tips regarding eApp Pre-Fill can be located [here](#) on STEPP.
- I/R/A Webinars will begin in November. To view NBIS and DISS training materials, webinar schedule for live training sessions, summarized release notes, and useful tips, please access [STEPP](#).

## Announcements

- One important enhancement of the 4.7.2 release is the Obligating Document Number (ODN), which is a billing code in the Financial Details section of the order form and a required field deployed in 4.7.2.
  - Cleared Industry - Addition of the code requires NO ACTION. The NBIS team worked with AVS (formally VRO) to add the correct ODN into the Order Form Templates, which are available to all Industry users in the NISP Contractor hierarchy in NBIS.
  - Federal Agency - The system is not verifying the accuracy of ODNs at this time; however, as a best practice, we recommend updating your order form templates in preparation for future capabilities.
- Our first Quarterly Update Meeting was held October 1, 2024. This focused on our partnership with DCSA's Personnel Security team and our continued efforts to establish better communication with our stakeholders going forward.

### NBIS Tip of the Month!

#### EARN CERTIFICATES FOR NBIS TRAINING

Following completion of a learner path or webinar, users can obtain a certificate to obtain Professional Development Units (PDUs) needed to maintain professional certifications obtained through CDSE.

