

HIPS Core APIs Functional Change Log

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Summary

This document provides an overview of the changes for each HIPS Core APIs release and can be used to identify the defect fixes and functional enhancements that have been incorporated.

HIPS Core APIs 2.0

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Defect 35643	Insufficient Authentication: Lack of Authentication to Sensitive Files (HCA Config)	Swagger UI is no longer available by default. This reduces the risk of an attacker getting access to the API and any sensitive data it contains. To further reduce the risk of compromise, Swagger UI can no longer be enabled when the HIPS Environment configuration setting is set to Production.
Enhancement 7747	Authentication API to generate HV API access token for Health Viewer	HIPS sites can now integrate with the HIPS Auth API to generate the tokens required for embedding Health Viewer into clinical systems. With HIPS UI, sites had to develop custom code on their own to support embedding. Refer to the product documentation for implementation guidance.
Enhancement 18078	Develop a sign in user interface for user login to on-prem AD with support for Code flow with PKCE	A new secure shared sign in user interface has been introduced within the Auth API application for user authentication to other HIPS user interfaces, including HIPS Admin Portal and Health Viewer.
		The sign in interface enables user login to on-prem AD with support for Code flow with PKCE and support multifactor authentication using time based one-time password (TOTP) through any authenticator applications that support TOTP. The multifactor step of the login is configurable.

The following items were addressed in the HIPS Core APIs 2.0 release:

Enhancement 34552	Implement UI component to manage locked out users in Auth module	New functionality has been introduced to lock out users who have repeated failed sign in attempts. A user
Enhancement 34550	Lock out users when their failed login attempts exceed the configured conditions	Configuration has been added to allow sites to manage lockout behaviour for the login process. This configuration applies to both the login form and the multifactor validation form. When a user enters the wrong username, password or MFA code MaxAttempts times within AttemptWindowMinutes minutes, their account is locked out, and they are prevented from any more attempts until their account is unlocked by an administrator or the configured minutes have passed since the account was locked. When the account is unlocked and the correct password is entered, the failed logins are reset, giving the user the full MaxAttempts attempts to sing in.
Enhancement 34466	Create a lightweight HIPS Admin Portal that is capable of embedding views of other HIPS admin UIs	A new admin portal user interface has been added to the HIPS Core APIs. The new admin portal will be the central location for displaying admin function specific user interfaces from other HIPS applications.
Enhancement 34183	Apply changes to data in the database when the -Settings flag is supplied, instead of when the -UpgradeDb flag is supplied during installation	Prior to this change installers were required to specify the -Install argument to apply changes made to the ConfigurationData.ConfigurationSettings section of the Configuration.psd1 file during installation. This was unintuitive and meant the entire application had to be removed and reinstalled to change settings through the script. A new -Settings argument has been added to the install script, which can be called independently of the - Install argument, allowing installers to change settings now without having to reinstall the binaries.
Enhancement 33939	Audit user login details including product used to login	Login activity is now audited in a new auth.AuditEvent table. Sites can turn off login auditing for failed login attempts if desired.
Enhancement 33846	Create database resources to support HIPS Admin Portal	New database objects have been created in the HIPS Core database to support the HIPS Admin Portal user interface. This includes a new portal schema, new tables in the portal schema and a stored procedures to manage data in the tables.
Enhancement 33633	Store TokenSigningCredential certificate in the configuration module	The token signing certificate for the HIPS Auth module is now managed by the HIPS Config module and no longer needs to be manually installed and configured in each application server's certificate store.
Enhancement 27895	Create Configuration Management UI feature equivalent to HIPS UI	The functionality of the HIPS UI Configuration Management page has been reimagined and implemented for managing settings in the new Config module. The UI provides users the ability to find and manage configuration settings for all HIPS components that store their configuration in the HIPS Core APIs configuration module. The new Configuration Management UI provides product specific views of configuration and is accessible to authorised users in the Admin Portal UI.

		interface to view and unlock users who have triggered the lockout is available via the Admin Portal UI.
Enhancement 34721	Upgrade all HIPS Core APIs projects to .NET 8	The HIPS Core API binaries have been updated to run on .NET 8.0 as .NET 6.0 is reaching end of life. Prior to installation, the new .NET 8.0 runtimes must be installed on the application server. This is described in the installation documentation.
Enhancement 34840	Add friendly name to domains	The Core APIs now supports configuration of a friendly name for each domain during installation. The friendly name will be displayed in the sign in form in the Domain field.
Enhancement 40353	Enable the optional creation of the database during installation	The installation script has been extended to enable the creation of a HIPS database if one does not already exist matching the details in the connection string. Automatic creation of a database is optional.

HIPS Core APIs 1.0

HIPS Core APIs v1.0 was the initial release and included the following features:

Configuration provider for HIPS products to manage configuration settings and options.

- Provides a Config API for HIPS products to retrieve the configuration settings applicable to each HIPS product.
- Provides a Config API for HIPS administrative tools to view and modify configuration settings for HIPS products.
- Provides a command-line interface (CLI) tool that uses the Config API to view and modify configuration settings for HIPS products.

Authentication provider for HIPS products to control access to HIPS APIs.

 Provides an OAuth2 compatible Auth API to authenticate web services and background services of HIPS products when connecting to other HIPS APIs.

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