SMS – Maine MDS Submission Management System

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Introduction to SMS

The new MDS Submission Management System (SMS) will be used to collect the Minimum Data Sets for both Residential Care Facilities and Adult Family Care Homes.

Providers no longer need to download their files to a disk or CD and mail them to the Muskie School of Public Service for processing.

Providers can quickly and securely log-in over the internet to view their File Dashboard.

Assessment data can be uploaded to the site with just a few clicks.

Providers will be able to view the history of previously uploaded files.

After the Muskie School processes the file, the Final Validation Report will be posted to the facility's site for downloading.

Introduction to SMS (cont.)

This new system will greatly reduce the time required for providers to prepare and submit their assessment files.

It will also allow the Muskie School to process the files much more quickly.

SMS employs the latest in web development technologies and contains many security features.

Some security features include Secure Socket Layer (SSL) communications, assessments stored on encrypted storage, and extensive auditing of access to the system.

The link to the SMS website can be found on the Muskie School of Public Service, Minimum Data Set (MDS)

Technical Information website:

http://muskie.usm.maine.edu/mds/

Click on the link and the SMS log-in screen will appear. Type in your username and password and hit the Log In button to enter the site.

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Minimum Data Set (MDS) Technical Information

Welcome to Maine's Minimum Data Set (MDS) Technical Information Site

This site provides technical information related to the family of MDS resident assessment instruments used by MaineCare (Maine's Medicaid program). The University of Southern Maine (USM) Muskie School of Public Service (MSPS) maintains this site on behalf of the Maine Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS).

The family of MDS resident assessment instruments includes Minimum Data Sets for:

- nursing facilities (MDS 3.0);
- · residential care facilities (MDS-RCA); and
- adult family care homes (residential care level III).

The information stored at this site is intended to assist:

- 1. State and Provider staffs with the most current MDS information and resources
- Computer software designers in meeting State requirements concerning the encoding and electronic transmission of MDS assessments

Website Contents List

Nursing Home Links
Residential Care (Level IV) Links
Adult Family Care Homes (Residential Care - Level III) Links

Nursing Home Links

MDS 3.0:

MDS 3.0 Website

NF RUG Grouper:

Maine MDS RUGIII Codes

Residential Care Facility Links

SMS: Maine MDS Submission Management System

• Go to Log-in Page

MDS-RCA Form:

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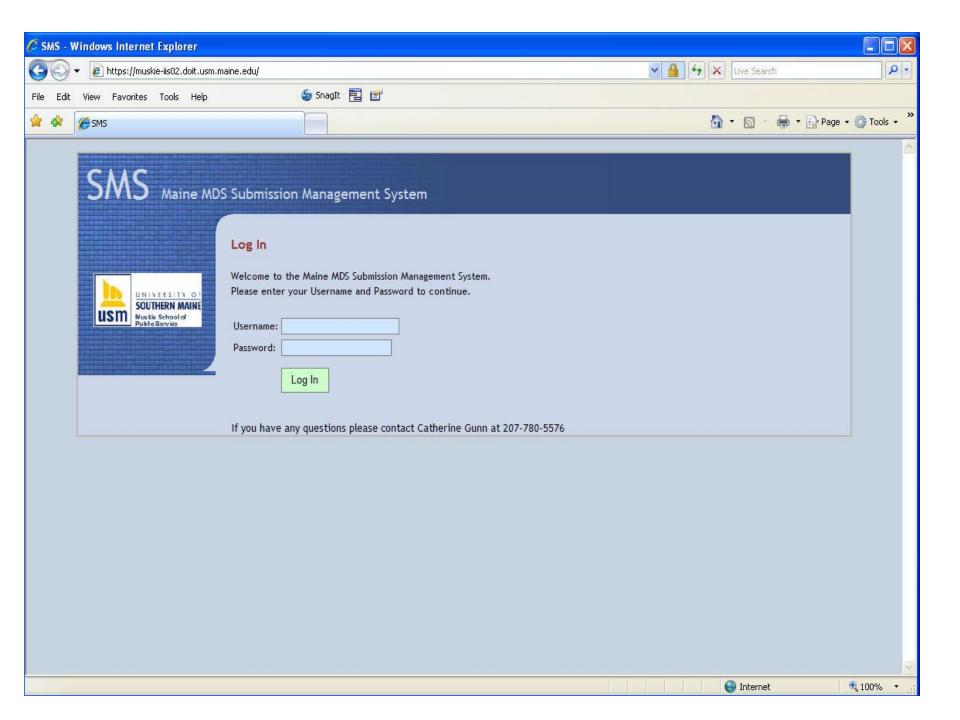
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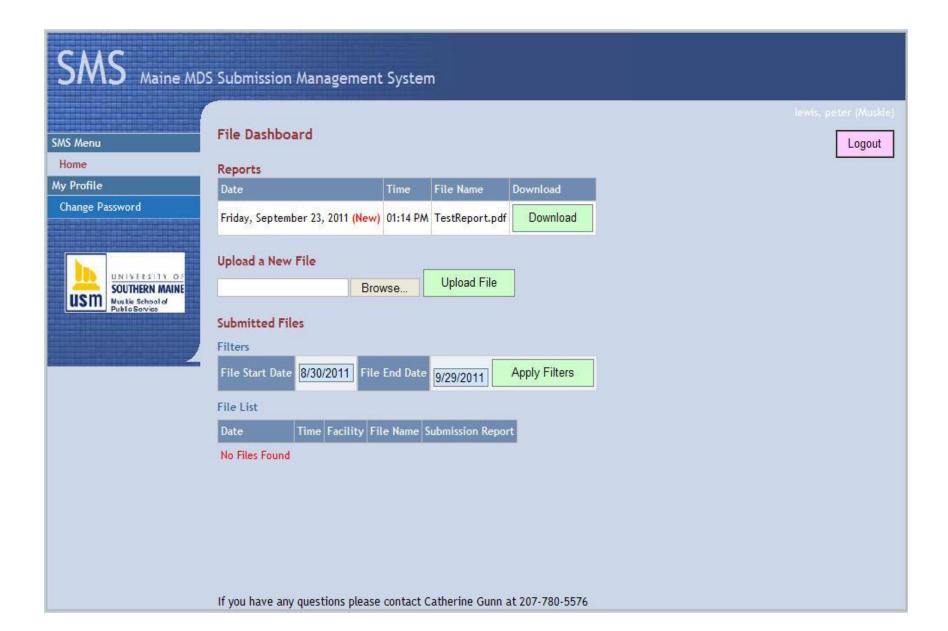
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Suggested Audiences:

- · Residential Care Facilities
- Adult Family Care Homes
- Nursing Facility providers
- State agencies
- Software programmers

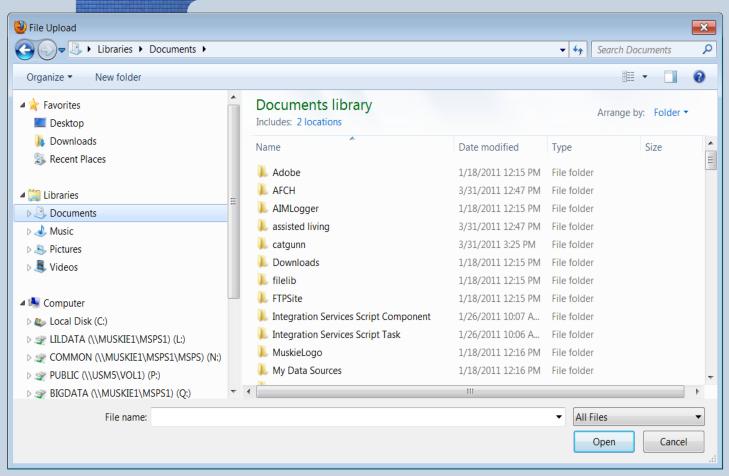
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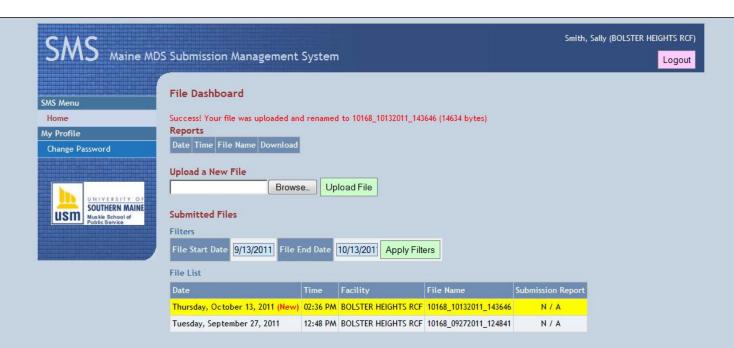
Uploading Submission Files

- Hit the "Browse" button. Your computer drives will be displayed.
- Click on the submission file you want to upload.
- You no longer need to download your submission file to a disk or CD. You can choose a secure computer drive to put the file.
- Please make sure to follow your facility's policy on Protected Health Information.



Uploading Submission Files (cont.)

- Hit the "Upload" button on the SMS File Dashboard.
- You should receive a message saying that the file was uploaded and renamed. The new file will be highlighted in yellow under the File List.



If you have any questions please contact Catherine Gunn at 207-780-5576

Problems with Uploading

If there is a problem with the file, you will get a message letting you know it did not work.

A few examples of why a file may not be correct:

The file is blank

It is an MDS 3.0 instead of an RCA or ALS

Wrong file type

<u>Provider Number in the Header of</u> <u>the File</u>

The Provider Number that you use on Section AA6b and Section A3b MUST be the same Provider Number that is in the Header of the submission file.

If the Header number is different, the file will be rejected.

The Validation Reports sent to you from the Muskie School have displayed a warning message if the numbers did not match.

Contact your vendor if you need the Header to be fixed.

Files without an extension

• You can upload the file using Internet Explorer

or

• At the end of the file name, you can type: .txt

Name	Date modified	Туре	Size
MDSRCA	9/30/2011 1:44 PM	File	15 KE
MDSRCA1.TXT	9/19/2011 10:51 A	Text Document	28 KE

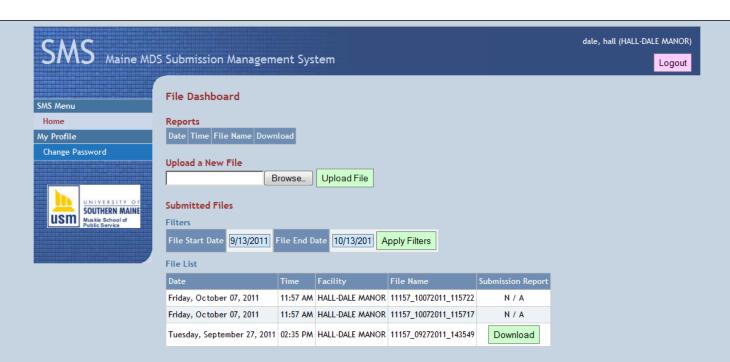
Validation Reports

After the submission file has been processed by the Muskie School, the Final Validation Report will be available for downloading.

On the File Dashboard, the Submission Report column that originally showed "N/A" after the file was uploaded is now replaced by a "Download" button.

Click on this button and the Validation Report can be downloaded into Adobe Acrobat or other pdf viewer.

The Validation Reports will be available on the site for one year.



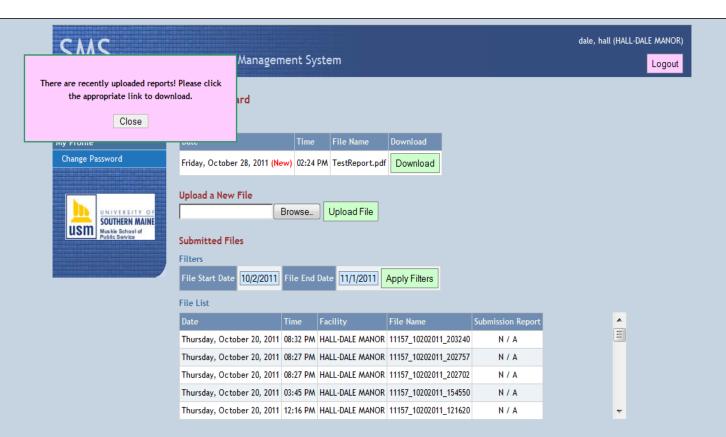
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Other Reports

We will be posting other types of reports for users to download, such as the final payment rosters.

A popup box will let you know that a report has been posted within the last 30 days.

Hit the download button to retrieve your report using Adobe Acrobat or other pdf viewer.



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Who will be given access to SMS?

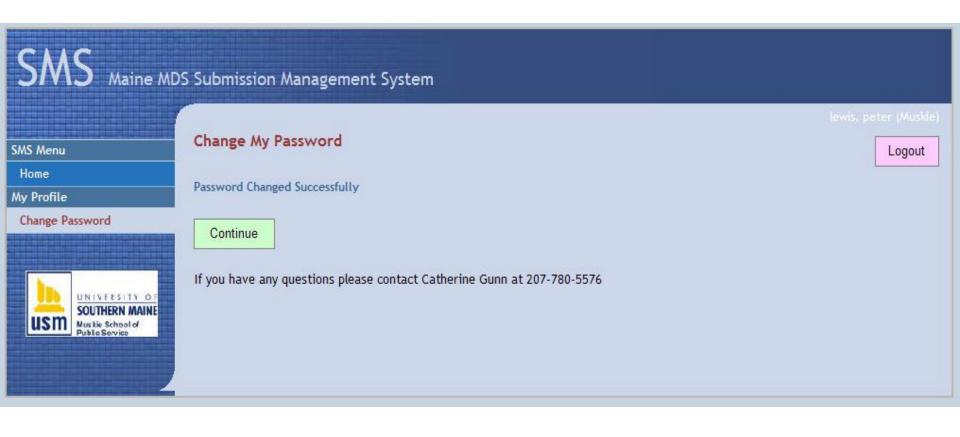
- Two users per facility can register for access to the site.
- Each user will be given a unique username and password from Catherine Gunn at the Muskie School of Public Service.

• After initial log-in, you will need to change your password.

<u>Passwords</u>

- Must be at least 8 characters long and contain at least one number and one non-alphanumeric character (example: #@\$%).
- Must be changed every 60 days.
- A message will let you how many days left before the password expires.
- If expired, you will be prompted to change it at that moment.
- If you forget your password, or get locked out of the site, contact Catherine Gunn and she will reset it.





Username and Password Security

- Do not share your username and password with anyone.
- If leaving the facility, the user will need to be deactivated in the system. Catherine Gunn at the Muskie School of Public Service should be contacted for this.

• A new user must register with Catherine in order to gain access to the site. A registration form is available on the Muskie School of Public Service, MDS Technical Information website: http://muskie.usm.maine.edu/mds/

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