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ICC 630: CCR Tier 2 – Debugging and Advanced Topics



Objectives

- Explain an advanced understanding of TCC and ElementXML.
- Discuss the complex data structures used in TCC.
- Debug and resolve advanced issues encountered with TCC.
- Implement CCR for TrakCare Analytics.



Part 1: TCC Background and Review



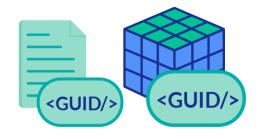
TrakCare Architecture

- TrakCare is made of many Persistent classes, split into packages.
 - User.* older classes; 75% of stored info; Covers code table and Transactional Data.
 - epr.* Clincial data configuration; security groups; worklist and epr configuration; 15% of data.
 - websys.* System data; screen layouts and translations; workflows; reports; 10% of data.
 - There are close to 1000 classes considered to be "Configuration" which are controlled by TCC.



TrakCare Architecture (cont.)

- Each of these classes stores properties which correspond to fields on the page.
- Classes can have any number of properties (some classes have 100+).
 - TCC provides a standardized export format for these properties.





Review: ElementXML

All TrakCare configuration is exported via TCC in ElementXML

format.



 GUIDs (Globally Unique Identifiers) must be consistent across all environments in a System.



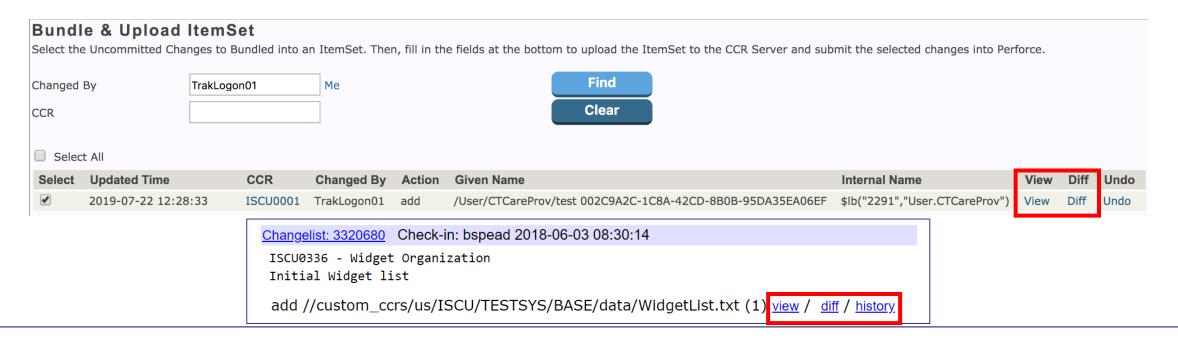
Review: ElementXML (cont.)

- An ElementXML document imported into TrakCare will create one or more rows of TrakCare configuration.
 - GUIDs are used in ElementXML documents to point to referenced configuration.
 - If referenced GUIDs are not present then TCC will not load the ElementXML document.



How To: View ElementXML

- ElementXML can be viewed:
 - Before upload: Use view or diff links on Bundle & Upload page.
 - After upload: Use view, diff or history links under [show Submitted Changes] on CCR.





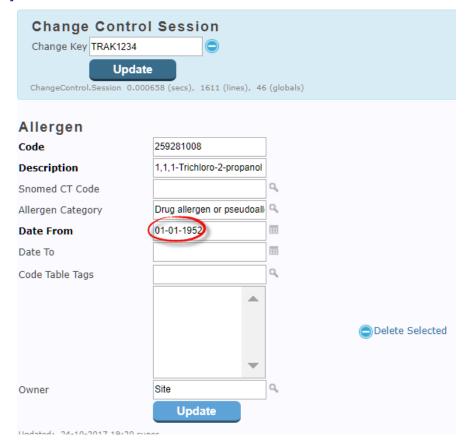
ElementXML - Additional Details

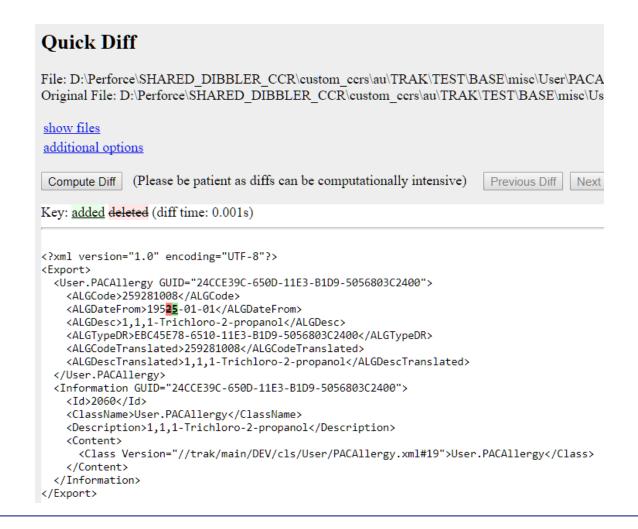
- One change in the web UI should generally mean one line changed on XML.
- Each simple property occupies one line on the export.
 - Each line consists of <Open Tag>Content</CloseTag>.
- Complex properties are exported sequentially, and their properties are exported using the same rules.
 - The Open and Close tags occupy their own lines, and do not mix with content.
 - This allows the Perforce diff to operate.



Example – simple change in XML

Updated Date From:







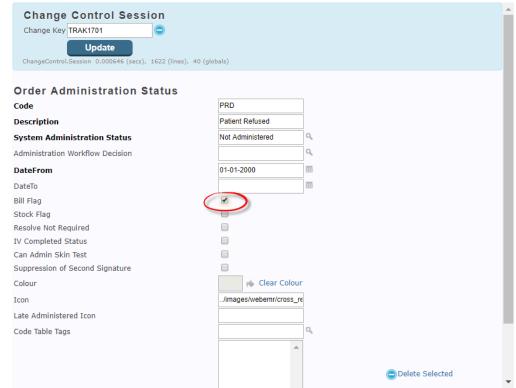
Quiz: Change Validity

Question:

This shows a valid change. True or False?

Answer:

True.





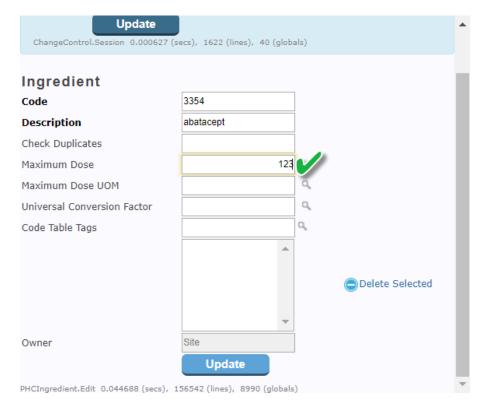
Quiz: Change Validity

Question: This shows a valid change. True or False?

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<Export>
 <User.PHCIngredient GUID="E68A5C21-1FE6-4D40-9A35-BE64B5778D12">
   <INGRCode>3354</INGRCode>
   <INGRDesc>abatacept</INGRDesc>
   <INGRAllowDuplicate>554</INGRAllowDuplicate>
</User.PHCIngredient>
 <Information GUID="E68A5C21-1FE6-4D40-9A35-BE64B5778D12">
   <Id>2101</Id>
   <ClassName>User.PHCIngredient</ClassName>
   <Description>abatacept/Description>
     <Class Version="//trak/main/DEV/cls/User/PHCIngredient.xml#19">User.PHCIngredient</Class>
   </Content>
 </Information>
</Export>
```

Answer:

False.



The change in the XML doesn't match the entry on the screen.



Part 2: Export Information Section



Information Section (T2011+)

- Each ElementXML export contains an Information section.
 - This is not processed by the XML parser at all.
 - It is there for your benefit only.



Information Section (cont.)

- The information section is generated from the export process and includes:
 - Id: Row ID of the record when exported.
 - ClassName: Class of object exported.
 - Description: Description property (if present).
 - Content: All classes (including children), and the exact version of the TrakCare class.



Information Section (cont.)

Why is this useful?

 It enables you to track if any JIRAs have been subsequently released to fix any bugs you see.



Information Section (cont.)

- Able to tell if the export was from a different version of TrakCare than you are importing to.
 - Which can explain erroneous behavior if the download fails.
- You can tell whether the export took place before a recent patch, and the change just hasn't been moved.
- Possible to see all invoked classes and their exact versions and use Perforce client to see if there are any subsequent changes.



Quiz: Information Section

Question:

Which of the following is true about the information section of ElementXML? Select all that apply.

- A. The Information Section contains configuration information.
- B. The information section is processed by the XML parser.
- C. The information section is useful during debugging and troubleshooting errors.



Quiz: Information Section (cont.)

Answer:

C. The information section is useful during debugging and troubleshooting errors.

It enables you to track exactly whether any JIRAs have been subsequently released to fix any bugs you see.



Part 3: Complex Data



Review Complex data - References

- When linking a different table or type, we should always export it as a GUID reference.
- Why would we not use code or description?
 - Code or description can change which would mess up referential integrity of pointers in the exports.
- If you see a corruption when moving configuration, check the format of the export.
 - References to other classes should ALWAYS use GUID references.
 - These issues can be intermittent, as the Row IDs may match between environments.
 - The risk increases as time passes from your last refresh.



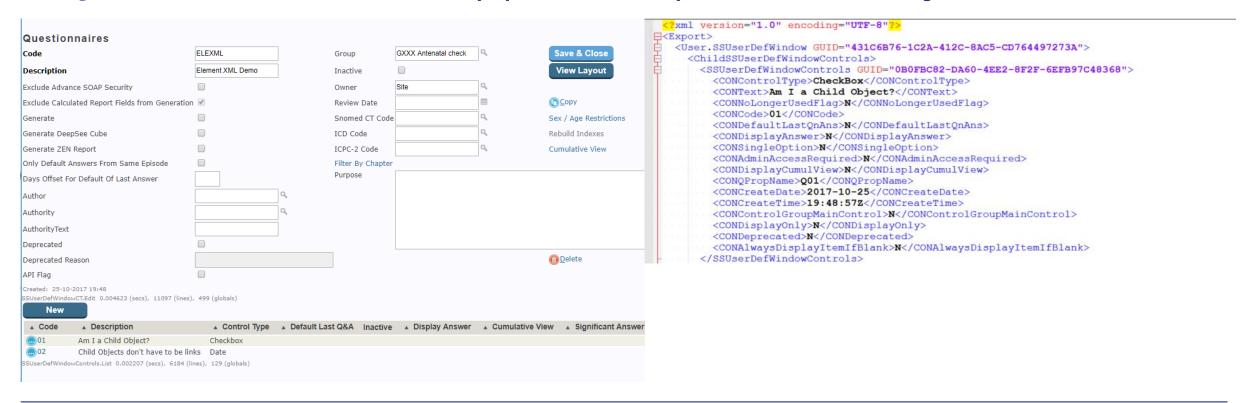
Complex data - Children

- Code tables can group related configuration as Child tables.
- These will typically appear as a link, or table on the code table page.
- Children are typically exported with the parent object. This can cause:
 - 1. Large export files, which can cause performance issues.
 - 2. Locking contention, editing a child will lock the parent and all other children.
 - 3. Additional GUID synchronisation requirements.



Complex data – Children (cont.)

- Child objects can have Child objects.
- Questionnaires have many possible layers of Child objects.





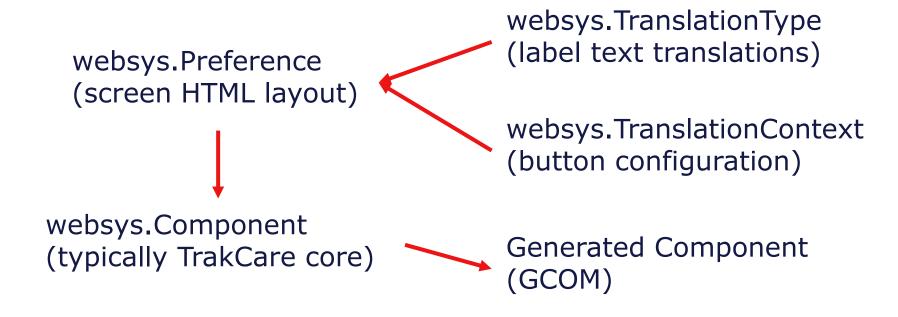
Complex data - Children (cont.)

- Each child object has a GUID.
- These need to be consistent between environments.
- Conflicts can occur at a child level, but will report only as a failure at the parent.
- All child GUIDs should consistently refer to a parent.



Complex data – Special Cases

- Layouts TrakCare UI (Responsive UI handles this differently).
- Layouts are compiled routines based on various other pieces of configuration, for a defined context.





Complex data - Special Cases (cont.)

- If no configuration exists at the current Save Level/Context for a layout, it will look at a higher level.
- A change to any piece of a layout should trigger a rebuild of the layout.
 - The source data is ONLY used to build the GCOM.
 - Deleting the TranslationType will not remove translations, until the next regenerate of the layout.
 - Translation* objects are difficult to change once saved, since their ID Key is based on data they contain.



Complex data - Special Cases (cont.)

- Typically it is necessary to delete and recreate these in the event of errors.
 - NOTE: This is a special case where this is recommended. Deleting and recreating an object results in an new object with a new GUID which in most other scenarios causes inconsistencies.



Quiz: Complex data

Question:

GUIDs should always be used when referencing other objects. True or False?

Answer:

True.

References to other classes should ALWAYS use GUID references.



Part 4: Questionnaires



Questionnaires

- Questionnaires are the most problematic configuration for TCC!
- A questionnaire is a very complex object, with nested layers of Children, all of which can refer to other tables.
- Questionnaires also generate other configuration, some of which is exported and some is not.
 - A component is generated and exported so that layout configuration can reference it.
 - However, the loaded configuration is not used, it is always regenerated.
 - Dictionary entries are generated for translation.
 - At least one layout save is generated.
 - A Caché class is generated to store the data.



Questionnaires (cont.)

- A questionnaire has many moving parts.
- If any are not moved with the initial load of a questionnaire, they will be generated on download.
- This will create "new" objects, which will be guaranteed to cause future GUID conflicts.
- It is important to verify that all configuration is progressed when creating a questionnaire.
 - Repair is tedious and time consuming, especially when the error is made in Edition.



Questionnaires (cont.)

- Why does TCC export the component, if it is going to generate the content again?
 - To maintain GUID synchronisation.
 - Layouts refer to the component, so it needs parity on all environments.
 - This also means it has all of the complexity of layout management when managing questionnaires.



Questionnaire Configuration

- A typical questionnaire should create all of the following configuration.
 - SSUserDefWindow this is the questionnaire configuration.
 - SSUserDefWinGroup (optional) questionnaire's group.
 - websys.Component the component code generated from the questionnaire configuration.
 - websys.Peference the default screen layout.
 - websys.TranslationContext the default control setup on the layout.
 - websys.TranslationType (optional) text label translations.
 - websys.Dictionary a dictionary file to allow system level translations.



Quiz: TrakCare Configuration

Question:

What are the most complex configuration object to export in TrakCare?

- A. Tables.
- B. Layouts.
- C. Questionnaires.
- D. Worklists.

Answer:

C. Questionnaires.



Quiz: Perforce and TCC

Question:

Perforce gets updated with structural changes to TCC's ElementXML in TrakCare. True or False?

Answer:

False.

Perforce doesn't know anything about the content.



Part 5: Missing GUID Advanced Topics



GUID Without Change History

- There may be no change history if the object was not created on that System.
- Check up through the Edition model.
 - Configuration may come through an Edition patch, check that patch levels match.





Missing GUID Complications

- Missing GUIDs are usually very simple to resolve.
- Poor planning can lead to GUID deadlock.
 - This typically happens with very large changes, or changes left for a long period of time.
 - Example:
 - CCR A implements an item that CCR B's questionnaire references.
 - CCR B implements a Chart Profile which references the item from CCR A.
- To resolve this, the CCRs must be merged, with the CCR merge function.

home help merge clone edit reassign changeSpec cancel Next Transition(s): markValidationFailed markUATComplete



Quiz: Missing GUIDs

Question:

What information can you infer from looking at just a GUID?

- A. The type of object associated with the GUID.
- B. The source environment of the GUID.
- C. The Edition.
- D. No inference can be made from just a GUID.

Answer:

D. No inference can be made from just a GUID.



Exercise ICC630-1 through ICC630-7 Create a CCR & Debug



Quiz: Perforce Integration conflict

Question: To cancel a CCR all you need to do is click Cancel.

True or False?

Answer:

False.

You also need to backout the changes from the CCR and download the ItemSets to remove it. **Do not** leave a car crash in the lane you wish to drive down in the future.



Part 6: TCC Debugging – Incorrect Configuration



Imported configuration incorrect

- TrakCare and TCC are not perfect. There are bugs.
- Bugs can happen during export.
 - Class not marked as XMLConfigItem.
 - Field changes not captured.
 - References not exported as GUID.
 - Encoding issues (XML/HTML encoding, \$lb).
 - Child record marked as XMLConfigItem.



Imported configuration incorrect (cont.)

- Bugs can happen during import.
 - Inappropriate data constraints.
 - Complex fields not processed correctly.
 - Zero node pointers not updating.
 - Generation not triggered (questionnaires, layouts).
- It is also possible that the CCR does not have a full version of the changes.
 - Remember, each CCR moves diff chunks through.
 - The CCR in question may be reliant on another CCR's changes.
 - Use the History button to check.



Export Bugs

- Each instance of this will present differently.
- This was a very common problem in the early days of CCR adoption.
- Development are now focused on ensuring TCC support is appropriate when creating new functionality.
- We are likely to see issues on new functionality, but also older functionality which hasn't been used with change control (Stock is a good example of this).
- These should be reproduced in TEST, and raised as a critical JIRA.
 - JIRA should have the component "Change Control."



Export Bugs - Missing Property

- The easiest (but relatively uncommon) issue to diagnose is the failure to export a property.
- To reproduce:
 - 1. Open a change session.
 - 2. Make the change to that field only.
 - 3. Open Bundle and Upload and perform a Diff to see the changes.
 - 4. If no change is present in the XML (it will highlight), then there is an issue with the field export.
- Ensure a JIRA is logged with "Change Control" as one of the selected components.
 - Include documentation of the steps to replicate.



Export Bugs – Row IDs

- The more common failure is that an external reference is exposed as a Row Id instead of a GUID.
 - This is more common for Collection types, as they require extra code to export.
 - These issues can fly under the radar if the environments are well aligned for RowIDs.



Export Bugs - Row IDs (cont.)

- The process is very similar to the previous:
 - 1. Open a change session, and make the change.
 - 2. Check the Diff.
 - 3. If you see numbers or text instead of a GUID in the changed field, this is a bug.
- This should also be raised as a critical JIRA (Component = "Change Control").



Export Bugs - Row IDs (cont.)

- The Data tags encode references as IDs.
- The DataHandler must encode these values as GUIDs.
- Why are these issues so painful?
 - They generally have no workaround.
 - They can be difficult to notice, and will mildly corrupt configuration.
 - They will not present the same on all envs (TEST can be different to LIVE).
 - They will require direct changes in the environments to fix.

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
    -<Export>
        <websys.Preferences GUID="FD98189A-AD08-4F14-A798-E4B660ED2B9F"</pre>
          <AppKeyCategory>PACWARD</AppKeyCategory>
          <AppSubKeyContext>
           <Balance>PACWard.FindWardBedStat.Preferences
          </AppSubKevContext>
8
          <DataHandle xsi:type="PreferencesData" xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance">
9
           <Data><! [CDATA[369^366^362^341&#1;$$$$$$$$$$$$$$$$$#1;&#1;&#1;&#1;&#1;&#1;&#1;&#1;&#1;&#1;</pre>
          </DataHandle>
          <ObjectHandle>33FA24C7-D28F-4E70-9519-88D538574E91</ObjectHandle>
12
          <ObjectType>User.CTHospital</ObjectType>
13
        </websys.Preferences>
14
       <Information GUID="FD98189A-AD08-4F14-A798-E4B660ED2B9F">
15
16
          <ClassName>websys.Preferences</ClassName>
17
          <Description>6878</Description>
18
         <Content>
19
           <Class Version="//trak/main/T2012/cls/websys/Context.xml#9">websys.Context</Class>
20
           <Class Version="//trak/main/T2012/gls/websys/Preferences.xml#17">websys.Preferences</Class>
21
         </Content>
       </Information>
     L</Export>
```



Export bugs - Ownership

- The Edition model introduced the concept of ownership of tables and records.
- The owner can be defined as SYS, REGION, SITE. This controls what can be edited and exported from each environment. It is possible to set a table to allow ownership from all 3 levels, but each individual entry is also subject to ownership.



Export bugs – Ownership (cont.)

- This means a table owned by SYS and SITE, can have entries belonging to each owner.
 - There will be no Region entries in this table.
 - SYS can only be edited in a Global Edition env, SITE ownership of the table allows creation and maintenance of SITE entries only.



Export bugs – Ownership (cont.)

- Ownership is typically simple, each code table row will define a user directly.
- Table ownership is defined in CT_EditionManagement.
- Some configuration inherits their ownership from referenced objects.



Export bugs – Ownership (cont.)

- Questionnaires.
 - Layouts, refer to components, refer to the questionnaire which defines ownership.
 - The layout is also saved at a Save Level, and this is factored into the rules.
 - It is logically impossible to export a SITE level save from Edition.
- This process is new, and while stable, has not been bug-free.



Import bugs - Generation

- Some configuration generated related configuration when saved.
 - Questionnaires (component, storage class).
 - Order items (Keywords).
 - Layout configuration (GCOM code).
- The XML Load should automatically trigger any additional processing.
- This is an infrequently occurring issue, and will generally require technical input.



Import bugs - Constraints

- Development guidelines state that most data validation should be applied at the Application layer.
- Data constraints can cause issues with downloads of linked data.
- Example: Sequenced configuration in Lab (ref: TC-115317).
 - A constraint on the sequence number prevented these being reordered.
 - Import sequence 1 conflicted with existing sequence 1, which is now sequence 3.



Import bugs – Constraints (cont.)

 These errors should be reproduced in TEST-LIVE, and raised as a JIRA with change control selected as one of the components.



Quiz: Debugging Incorrect configuration

Question:

Which of the following would result in bugs during import of configuration?

- A. Class not marked as XMLConfigItem.
- B. References not exported as GUID.
- C. Encoding issues (XML/HTML encoding, \$lb).
- D. Complex fields not processed correctly.

Answer:

All of the above.



Quiz: Debugging Incorrect configuration

Question:

The Edition model introduced the concept of ownership of tables and records. What are the different defined owners in this model? Select all that apply.

- A. System.
- B. Region.
- C. Site.
- D. None of the above.



Quiz: Debugging Incorrect configuration (cont.)

Answer:

A. System.

B. Region.

C. Site.



Part 7: TCC Debugging - Key not Unique



Key not Unique Index Resolution

CCR Error:

- ERROR #5001: Unable to load file /trak/sclo/UAT/DATAFILES/perforce/custom_ccrs/scx/LUHT/T20 12/UAT/misc/websys/Preferences/PAWaitingListInquiry.List/A 90DCD56-2B51-11E3-AC06-590A8ECE23D5.xml.
- Possible = > ERROR #5001: Unable to save item
 \$1b("","websys.Preferences"), A90DCD56-2B51-11E3-AC06590A8ECE23D5.
- ERROR #5808: Key not unique: Index.

Cause of the Error:

 Workflow Context no longer exists within the application which the preferences are assigned to.



- Investigation steps:
 - Find GUID's and RowID's in BASE and UAT using FIND GUID within the TrakCare.
 - 1. Open System Management Portal.
 - 2. Run the following SQL Statement within SMP for BASE and UAT:
 - Select %GUID,* from Websys.Preferences where %ID in (Enter in your row ID's).
 - 3. Ensure they match in both environments.



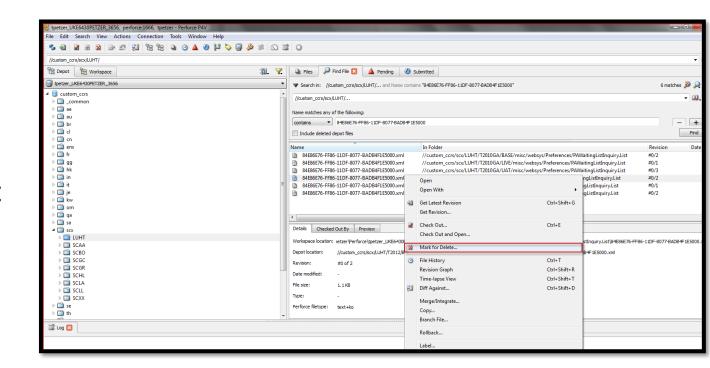
- Investigation steps:
 - 4. Then run the following SQL query in both environments:
 - Select %Guid, * from websys.WorkFlow where %Id in (your row ID's which you find within the AppKeyContext from your previous query).
 - NOTE: no rows return means they have been deleted.





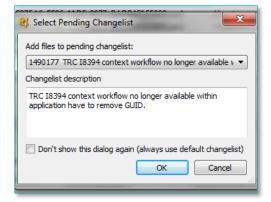


- Investigation steps:
 - 5. Login Into Perforce.
 - 6. Ensure you are in Depot tab.
 - 7. Select your Client.
 - 8. Within Find File > Find your first GUID.
 - 9. Right Click > Mark for Delete.





- Investigation steps:
 - 10. Select New Pending Change List.
 - 11. Add your TRC number and details of why you are deleting the GUID's.
 - 12. Click on OK.



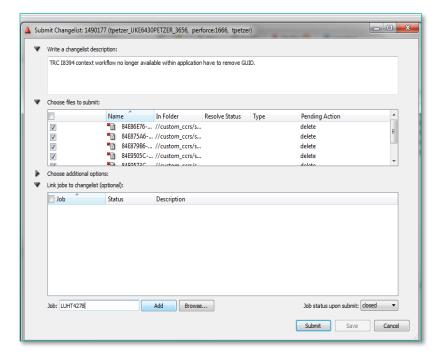
- 13. Repeat this process for the rest of the GUID's you need to delete.
 - This time, select the pre-existing changelist instead of New that you have created above for each.



- Investigation steps:
 - 14. Once all the GUID's have been marked for Delete Select your Pending Tab.

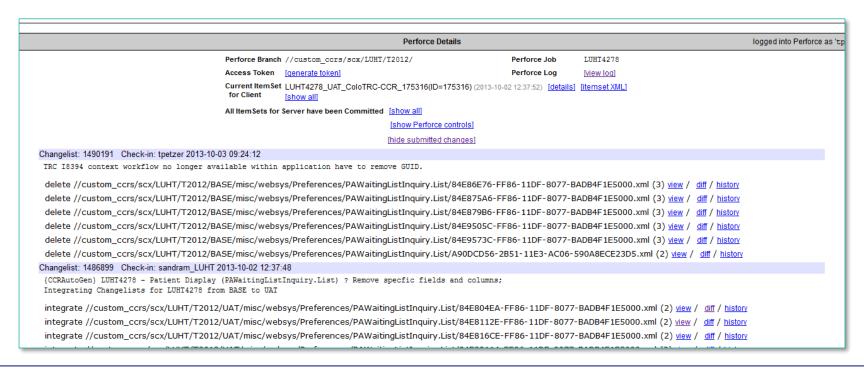


- 15. Your changelist will appear within the list.
- 16. Right click > Select Submit.
- 17. Add in the CCR number to the Job field.
- 18. Click on Add.
- 19. Click on Submit.





- Investigation steps:
 - 19. Return to CCR Online application.
 - 20. Your new change list of deletes will appear under show Submitted changes.





- Investigation steps:
 - 21. Select Show Perforce Controls hyperlink.
 - 22. Select Show Controls for Perforce Integration.
 - 23. Ensure the Preview checkbox is unchecked.
 - 24. Click Integrate.
 - 25. The new ItemSet is now available for the user to download into their environment.





Part 8: TCC Debugging – Additional issues



Changes are not appearing in the bundle queue

- Check the CCR exclusion list to ensure that the class has not been excluded from CCR.
- Check to make sure that you haven't uploaded the changes to the incorrect CCR number.

 Network errors or invalid tokens blocking the changes uploading to CCR.





Changes will not undo within the bundle queue

- It is suggested that undo within TrakCare should be attempted with caution as not all items can easily be "undone". If you are going to attempt it, then try the following:
 - Ensure any changes you want to remove are not used within TrakCare, e.g., a new location is not being used by a patient you added for testing. If it is, then it cannot be undone as its still in use.
 - Undo in the reverse order.



Changes will not undo within the bundle queue (cont.)

- If you do run into issues its likely that it is down to a parent table being undone before child table or the changes are undone in the incorrect order.
 - First try adding an active CCR session with the same CCR number.



Changes will not undo within the bundle queue (cont.)

- Resolution if this fails:
 - Check the diff to see if it states illegal diff:



This can be down to a .bak file not being generated when the change was made. The .bak file is the file that is used to revert the changes, in this case it has nothing to revert back to which is why the undo failed.



Changes will not undo within the bundle queue (cont.)

- Resolution if this fails:
 - Attempt to upload the changes to a CCR, then cancel and backout that CCR and download the new Itemset to remove changes. This is the preferred approach for multiple changes.



Quiz: Debugging Incorrect configuration

Question:

Which is the best way to undo changes from a bundle list?

- A. Delete the changes from the change control table.
- B. Undo in reverse order in the bundle list.
- C. Undo in any order, as it doesn't make any difference.
- D. Upload to the CCR and follow the backout process.



Quiz: Debugging Incorrect configuration

Answer:

B. Undo in reverse order in the bundle list.

If you can, but recommended approach is:

D. Upload to the CCR and follow the backout process.



Part 9: Analytics



- TrakCare Analytics fully supports change control from T2018.
- Both SYS and Editions manage change control now via JIRA.
- Clients (extended analytics license) can manage change control via CCR.
- Process involves:
 - Configuration exported via new User Portal page.
 - Generates classes which appear in bundle queue.
 - Bundle and upload to promote to next environment.

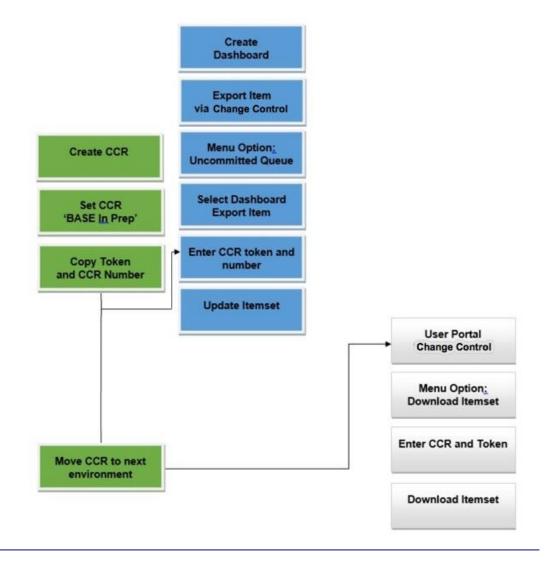


TrakCare Analytics – T2018 (cont.)

- All DeepSee configuration is exposed as classes which supports.
 - Tier 1 CCR process.
 - Tier 1 baseline.



- Workflow process.
 - Create CCR.
 - Separate CCR System to TrakCare.
 - Create/Amend Analytics Configuration.
 - Export and move through CCR.

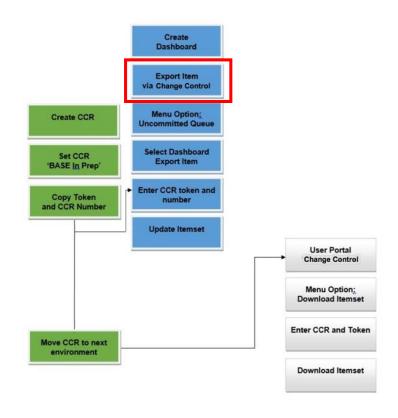




TrakCare Analytics – T2018 (cont.)

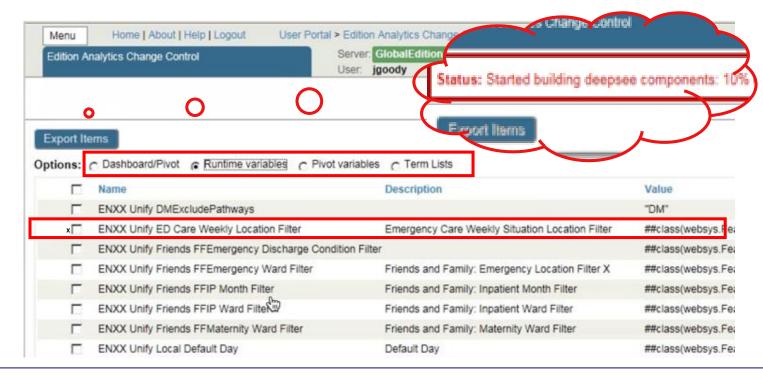
- Access DeepSee User Portal on Management Portal.
- Click on 'Change Control' menu.

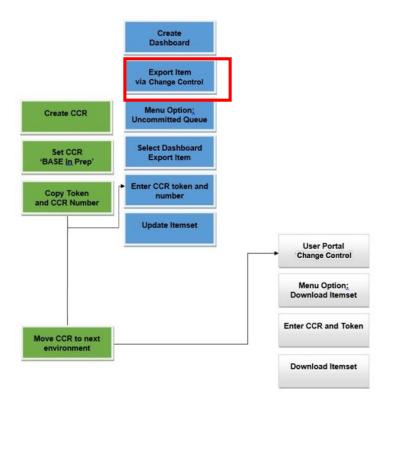






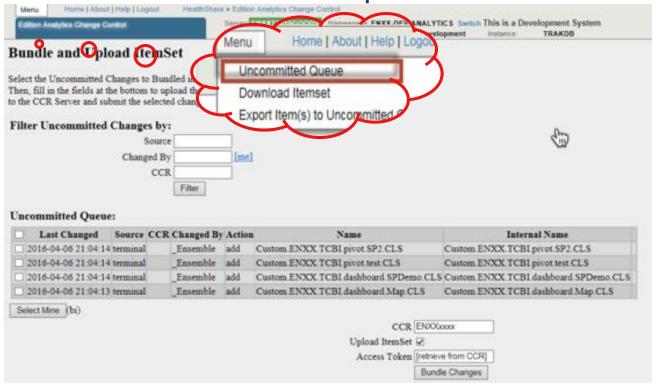
- Select type from radio buttons.
- Select items from table to export.
- Click Export button status shown.



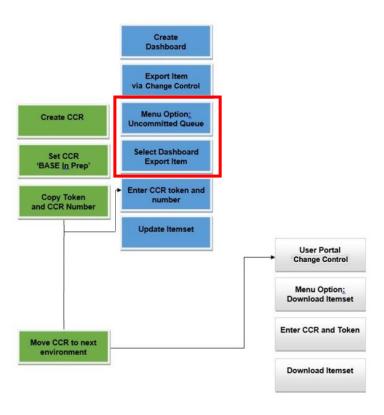




Select 'Uncommitted queue' from menu.



Select items to bundle to CCR.

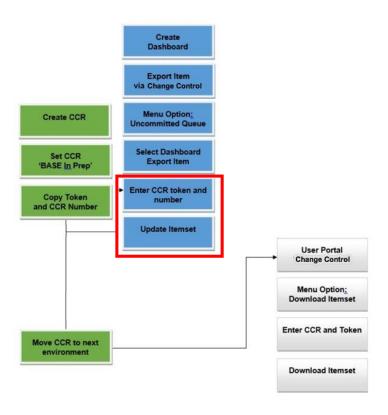




Enter CCR and access token.



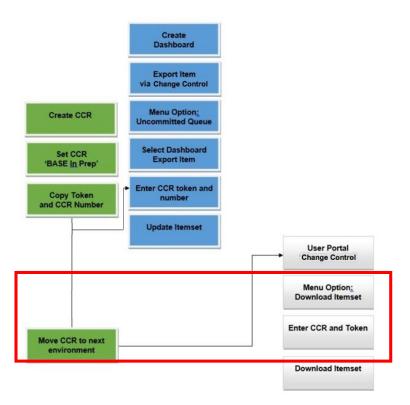
Click 'Bundle Changes.'





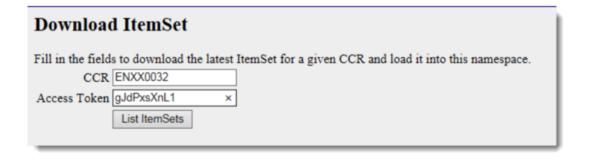
- Log on to Management Portal for next environment.
- Access DeepSee User Portal page.
- Click on 'Change Control' link.
- From Menu select 'Download Itemset.'

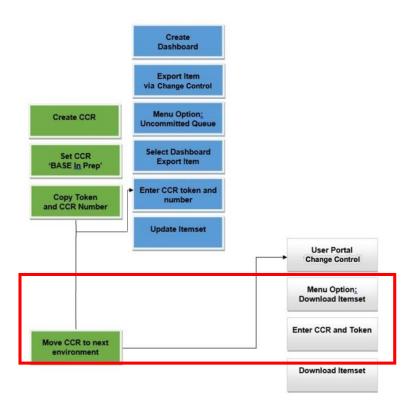






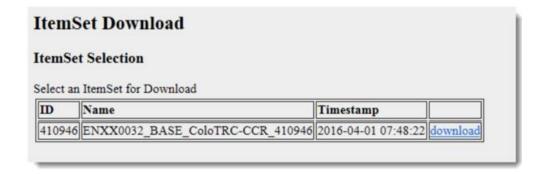
Enter CCR number and token and click 'List ItemSets.'



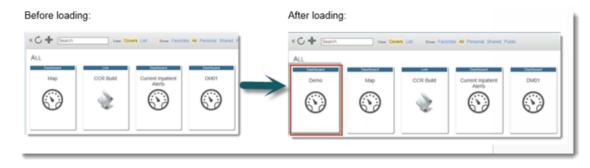


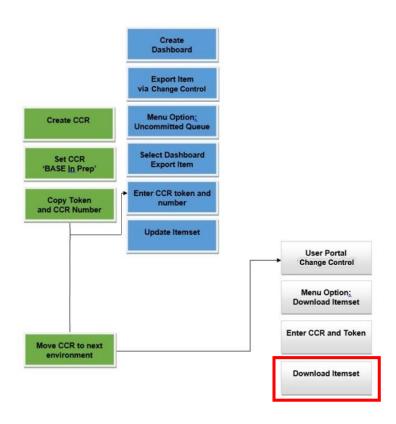


Click link to download ItemSet.



 Once downloaded changes now in environment.







Summary

• What are the key points for this module?



