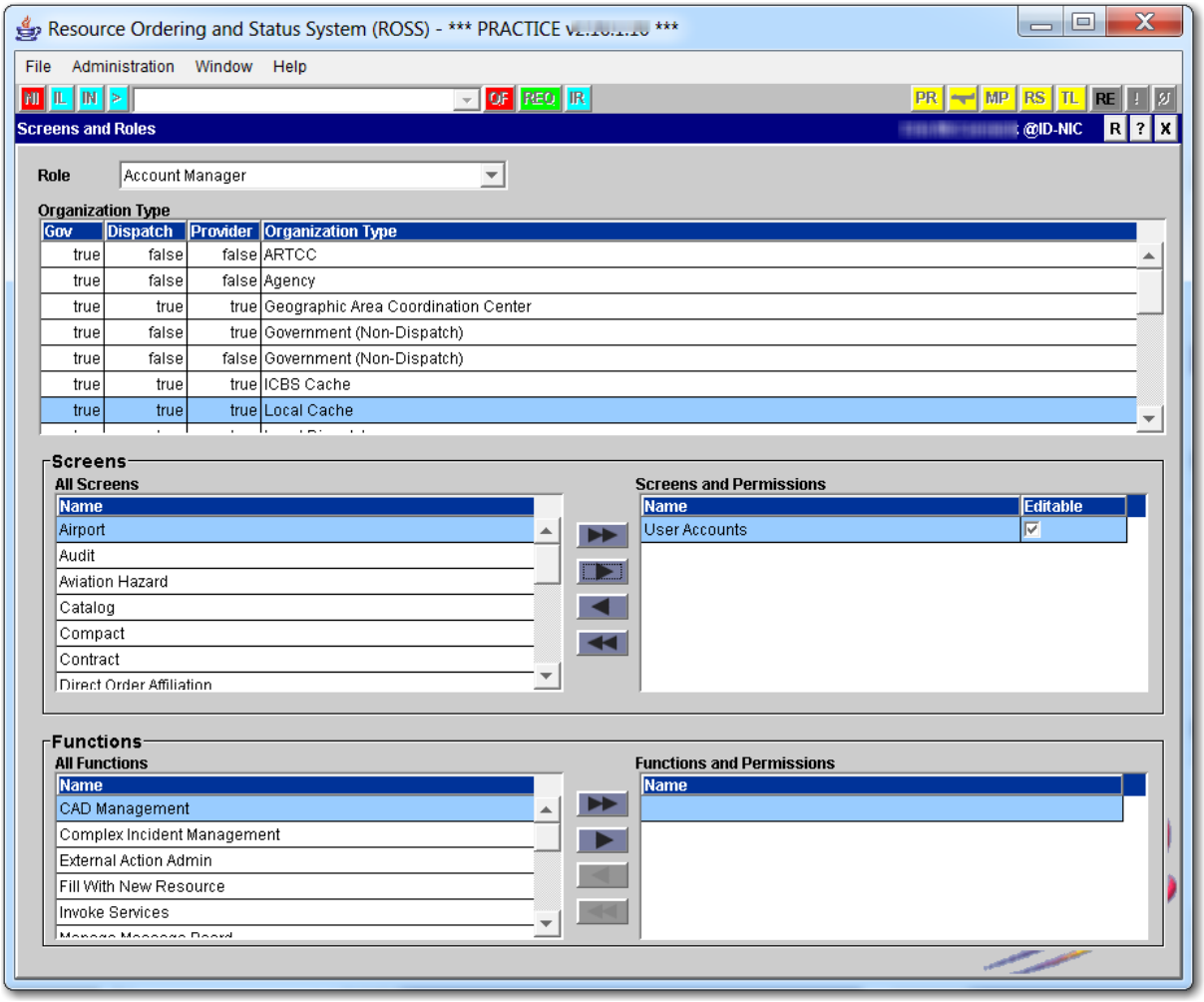
ROSS Module Summary

Screens and Roles



Description

The Screens and Roles module is the internal brain of ROSS. Only the National System Administrator, having a full and complete understanding of how each setting affects the application and its ramifications, has access to this module. Based on the user's assigned roles (e.g., Dispatcher, Data Manager) and where they are working (e.g., NICC, GACC or local dispatch), the National System Administrator is able to control which screens users may access and which of those they may edit. Since this module is extremely powerful, the National System Administrator must carefully plan and execute any changes to the settings on the Screens and Roles module to avoid widespread application issues.

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The selected fields in the screen above demonstrate how the module works. Here, the role is Account Manager at the Local Dispatch level. Of all the screens available in ROSS, these users may only view and edit the Users Accounts screen. These settings apply to all Account Managers at the Local Dispatch level anywhere in the nation.

This module also allows the System Administrator to associate functions with a given user role. Functions equate to specific actions that may be performed on a screen and are typically accessed via a button, check box, tab, or menu option. By associating a function with a specific user role, only users assigned that role are able to carry out the action. Users who do not have the pertinent role may be permitted to access the related screen and perform other work, but cannot access the function.

To illustrate, the Complex Incident Management Function *(see Complex Incidents module information)* has been associated with the Dispatch Manager role. The "Complex" check box on the New Initial Report or Incident screen is the "function" used to designate a complex incident. The check box is currently enabled only for users who have been assigned the role of Dispatch Manager. Users who are Dispatchers but not Dispatch Managers, may utilize the screen to create an incident but not a Complex.

This module has a direct relationship with all of the modules in the application. It controls the access and edit permissions at all levels of the dispatch organization.

Data Information

Data Element	**Data Definition**
Role	The proper function of a person who has been given access to ROSS (e.g., Data Manager, Dispatcher, Basic User). A person may have multiple roles.
Organization Type	Each organization has a principle role (or type). These include Agency, Dispatch Center (national, geographic or local level), Cache (national or local), Government (Non-Dispatch), Non-Government, and Vendor.
Gov	Identifies a government organization.
Dispatch	Identifies a dispatch organization.
Provider	Signifies that the organization can provide resources.
All Screens	A list, by screen name, of all the screens available within the ROSS application.

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Screens and Permissions	A list of all the ROSS screens that users assigned the selected role may view. Any changes affect all ROSS users with that role.
Editable *check box*	Indicates that users with the selected role may edit the selected screen. When unchecked, users may only view the screen.
Functions	A list of the functions that users with the selected roles may perform. The list includes Complex Incident Management, Fill with New Resource, Non-Local Multiple Reassignment, and Transfer Incident. All are currently associated with the Dispatch Manager role.
Functions and Permissions	Specific actions that may be performed on a screen, which are typically accessed via a button, check box, tab, or menu option.