

security: block no-permission users + fix IDOR on person API #8616

Merged DawoudIO merged 12 commits into `master` from `fix/revert-person-api-idor` last week

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Summary

Reverts the overly-restrictive PR [#8611](#) and implements the correct IDOR fix with a comprehensive approach to blocking users who have no functional admin permissions.

Problem

- IDOR ([GHSA-5w59-32c8-933v](#))**: Any authenticated user could read any person record via `GET /api/person/{id}` — the API had no authorization check
- No-permission users**: Users with only `EditSelf=1` (and all other permissions at 0) could log in and see the full admin UI, including all member data, groups, events, and finance menus
- PR [security: add auth middleware to person API routes #8611](#) was too restrictive**: It required `EditRecords` for all person API access, blocking `EditSelf` users from even their own records

Changes

IDOR Fix

- `src/api/routes/people/people-person.php` — Add inline `canEditPerson()` check on `GET /api/person/{id}`:
 - `EditRecords` users: can view any person
 - `EditSelf` users: can only view own record + family members
 - Others: 403 Forbidden

No-Permission User Block

- `src/ChurchCRM/model/ChurchCRM/User.php` — Add `hasNoAdminPermissions()` method that detects users with no functional permissions (all of AddRecords, EditRecords, DeleteRecords, MenuOptions, ManageGroups, Finance, Notes = 0)
- `src/ChurchCRM/Slim/Middleware/AuthMiddleware.php` — Block in both code paths:
 - **API key auth**: Return 403 JSON
 - **Session auth (MVC pages)**: Redirect to `/external/limited-access`
- `src/Include/PageInit.php` — Block on legacy PHP pages: redirect to `/external/limited-access`

Limited Access Page

- `src/external/routes/system.php` — New route `GET /external/limited-access`
- `src/external/templates/limited-access.php` — Tabler-styled welcome page with:
 - **Verify Family Info** button (generates time-limited token for user's family)
 - **Log Out** button
 - Matches login page styling (no admin chrome)

Test Infrastructure

- `cypress/data/seed.sql` — Add `limited.user` test user (person ID 4, family 2, EditSelf=1 only)
- `cypress/e2e/ui/security/limited-access.spec.js` — 6 tests:
 - Login redirects to `/external/limited-access`
 - Shows Verify + Logout buttons
 - Verify link goes to `/external/verify/{token}`
 - Logout returns to login page
 - Direct dashboard visit redirects to limited-access
 - API call with limited user key returns 403

Security Model

User Type	Web UI	API	Person API GET
Admin	Full access	Full access	Any person
EditRecords	Full access	Full access	Any person
EditSelf + other perms	Full access	Full access	Own record + family
EditSelf only (no other perms)	→ Limited access page	403	403
No permissions at all	→ Limited access page	403	403

Risk Assessment

Users affected: Any user with `usr_EditSelf=1` and all other permission flags at 0. These users will now see a "Welcome" page with family verification instead of the full admin UI. This is intentional — they previously had unauthorized access to all member data.

Test plan

- Admin user: full access (unchanged)
- `limited.user` login → sees limited-access page with Verify + Logout
- `limited.user` clicks Verify → sees family verification for their family only
- `limited.user` clicks Logout → returns to login
- `limited.user` tries `/v2/dashboard` → redirected to limited-access
- `limited.user` API call → 403
- Run `npx cypress run --spec cypress/e2e/ui/security/limited-access.spec.js`
- All existing Cypress tests pass (admin users unaffected)

Related

- Reverts: [🔗 security: add auth middleware to person API routes #8611](#)
- Advisory: [GHSA-5w59-32c8-933v](#)
- Follow-up: [✅ Redesign EditSelf permission: proper self-service portal #8617](#) (EditSelf redesign for self-service portal)

 Generated with [Claude Code](#)

  Revert "security: add auth middleware to person API routes (#8611)"   [852677e](#)

  **DawoudIO** added this to the **7.2.0** milestone [last week](#)

  **Copilot**  review requested due to automatic review settings [last week](#)

  **DawoudIO** requested a review from **a team** as a [code owner](#) [last week](#)

  **DawoudIO** requested review from **DAcodedBEAT**, **MrClever**, **bigtigerku**, **grayeul** and **respencer** and removed request for **a team** [last week](#)

 **Copilot** started reviewing on behalf of **DawoudIO** last week

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  security: add canEditPerson() IDOR check to GET /api/person/{id}   [a71ba1e](#)

 **Copilot**  reviewed last week

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 **Copilot**  left a comment

Pull request overview

Reverts the authorization middleware previously added to `GET /api/person/{personId}`, restoring the route to its prior behavior.

Changes:

- Removes `EditRecordsRoleAuthMiddleware` from the `GET /person/{personId}` handler.
- Updates the inline comment to no longer state an `EditRecords` requirement.




> `src/api/routes/people/people-person.php`

 Show resolved

  **DawoudIO** mentioned this pull request last week

Redesign EditSelf permission: proper self-service portal #8617

 Closed

  **DawoudIO** added the **Security** label last week

 **DawoudIO** and others added 3 commits last week

  Update README.md [0ec7095](#)

  Merge remote-tracking branch 'origin/master' into fix/revert-person-a...  [816bfa8](#)

  security: block EditSelf-only users + add canEditPerson IDOR check   [37c0360](#)

  **DawoudIO** changed the title Revert: security: add auth middleware to person API routes (#8611)
security: fix IDOR on person API + block EditSelf-only users [last week](#)

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  Merge branch 'master' into fix/revert-person-api-idor ✓ [dc9d633](#)

  fix: block no-permission users from both legacy pages AND MVC routes ✓ [b7a88b5](#)

  security: add /external/limited-access page for no-permission users ✗ [18b1efe](#)

  **DawoudIO** changed the title security: fix IDOR on person API + block EditSelf-only users
security: block no-permission users + fix IDOR on person API [last week](#)



  Merge branch 'master' into fix/revert-person-api-idor ✗ [6d84f3e](#)

  **DawoudIO** mentioned this pull request [last week](#)

fix: improve family verify page UX — replace broken FAB, add navigation #8620

 Merged

 8 tasks

  **DawoudIO** requested a review from **Copilot** [last week](#)

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User limited only to self editing #237

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 **Copilot** AI reviewed [last week](#)

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 **Copilot** AI left a comment

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Pull request overview

Copilot reviewed 9 out of 9 changed files in this pull request and generated 7 comments.



> src/ChurchCRM/model/ChurchCRM/User.php Show resolved

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> src/external/routes/system.php Show resolved

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> src/ChurchCRM/Slim/Middleware/AuthMiddleware.php Show resolved

> locale/README.md Show resolved

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fix: verify link test – assert family name instead of page title [3c17025](#)

claude added 2 commits [last week](#)

Merge master into fix/revert-person-api-idor [17acfd0](#)



fix: correct family name assertion and use relative paths in limited-... [a80d6b6](#)

DawoudIO merged commit **28ea7a2** into **master** [last week](#)
18 checks passed [View details](#)

DawoudIO deleted the **fix/revert-person-api-idor** branch [last week](#)

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7.2.0



Development

Successfully merging this pull request may close these issues.

None yet

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