

# Design Requirements

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## Mock up with element open (1)

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#### How it helps

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For example, someone with mild dementia is using online shopping. They get distracted and then when they look at the screen again they have forgotten what they were doing. Put a clear heading at the top of each page that shows clearly **what the page is about and what they are doing**.

#### More details

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#### Examples

**Success** example: Headings tell me exactly where I am

## Welcome To Government To Government Services Online

### Online Services Availability

Monday–Friday: 5am–1am EST  
Saturday: 5am–11pm EST  
Sunday: 8am–11:30pm EST

Government to Government Services Online (GSO) is a suite of applications enabling governmental organizations and authorized individuals to conduct business with and submit confidential information to the Social Security Administration. You must be registered to use any service included in the GSO suite of applications.

[Log in to GSO](#)

### Government to Government Services

#### Birth and Death Reporting


A mechanism for state and jurisdiction bureaus of vital statistics to submit birth and death information to SSA.

#### Black Lung Part B and C Reporting

A mechanism for the Department of Labor to submit Black Lung Part B and Part C information to SSA

**Failure** example: Service not available.... what service?

I have to remember what I was doing to know what service this is about.

 This service is not available at this time.

Please try again during our regular service hours (Eastern Time):

Day	Service Hours
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Saturday	5:00 a.m. - 11:00 p.m.
Sunday	8:00 a.m. - 11:30 p.m.
Federal Holidays	Same hours as the day the holiday occurs.

If you need immediate assistance:

You may call us Monday through Friday: 7:00AM - 7:00PM at:

1-800-772-1213

If you are deaf or hard-of-hearing, call our toll-free TTY number:

1-800-325-0778

Exit

**Technical Resources and History:**More technical details and testable wording proposals are available at:

[On ull/10 \)coga github: clear-purpose.html](#)  
[wcag issue 55 https://github.com/w3c/wcag21/p](#)

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## Mock up with element open (2)

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#### Introduction

#### Theme 1: Help all users understand the interface and design.

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**Design requirements:** Does the user understand what things are and how to use them

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