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Subject: Re: Restricting access to user's own record

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The UPDATE1 pattern expects the identity of the record which to be updated is passed down in the \$where string. This is automatically populated when it is activated from a navigation button on a LIST1 or LIST2 pattern after a selection is made.

If the \$where string does not contain the primary key of a record on the UPDATE1's table then it does not know which record to update, so it fails.

If you have added this task as a navigation button on the MENU task then the \$where string is empty, which is why you are getting that error message.

You can get around this by inserting the following code into the \_cm\_initialise() method of mnu\_user.class.inc:

```
function _cm_initialise ($where)
// perform any initialisation for the current task.
{
    // this may be called from the home page, so insert user's id
    if (empty($where)) {
        $pattern_id = getPatternId();
        if (eregi('upd1|enq1', $pattern_id)) {
            $where = "user_id=" . $_SESSION['logon_user_id'] . "";
        } // if
    } // if

    return $where;

} // _cm_initialise
```

This will cause it to default to the current user's identity.

I shall make the same change in my version so that this code is not lost in the next release.

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