

Records Management: Plan for Transition RACO 2008

Where to Begin?

Agency Program Agency Policies Outgoing Staff Records Management Activities Support Policies/Procedures/Tools Incoming Staff Records Management Activities Support Policies/Procedures/Tools

Agency Program Elements

Defined authorities, roles, and responsibilities Articulated policies, procedures, and guidelines Education and training **Operations consistent with policies** RM integration with Information Technology RM integration with business processes Skilled RM workforce

Agency Policy Elements

RM Order or Directive **Records as critical asset** Roles and responsibilities for RM and **Document/Records removal by** departing staff Record ownership Public domain information Policy and process for removal of copies

Outgoing Staff: RM Activities

- RM notified of outgoing staff and dates of release
- Reminder of responsibilities under policies
 Operational approach and assigned responsibility for checkout
- Plan for capture and processing of paper and electronic records
- Plan for loan back of records that are within agency RM control

Exit Policies, Procedures and Tools

- Written procedure for notifying Records Managers of list of departing staff and departure dates
 - Defined internal policy or directive on who is responsible for checkout
- Defined procedures for capture of identified records
- Checkout procedures, forms, and checklist for departing staff

Incoming Staff: RM Activities

 Identified component records manager
 RM notified about incoming staff
 Identified responsibility for new staff briefing/training on RM
 Process for briefing/training new staff
 File plans in place for agency components

Entrance Policies, Procedures and Tools

- Briefing package
 - File plans
 - RM contacts within component
 - Office level policies and procedures for RM
 - Handbook
 - Website
 - Instructional aids
- List of incoming staff for RM
- Web based training

Questions?

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