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1. CDC and FDA hold Mock 5 Conversion

From November 3 through November 30, UFMS team members from FDA and CDC are working on the Mock 5 data conversion, performing a test transfer of data from current systems to the new UFMS. The conversion also involves the required validation and reconciliation of the data after conversion.

CDC will be testing additional programs for mid-year "Go-Live" and reconciling sub-ledgers. This will be the first mock conversion for FDA, and will be the initial run-through for their conversion programs. Team members will have the opportunity to validate the converted data and ensure the plan works for future mock conversions and the final conversion. Mock 5 conversion activities are going well and are proceeding on schedule thanks to the abilities of Federal and BearingPoint team members, who have worked closely together through the whole process. Beginning in December, teams will perform integration tests on the instance containing both CDC and FDA converted sets of books.

2. FDA's iProcurement CRP to be held December 7 - 10

Along with the functionality being delivered with UFMS, FDA is piloting an automated requisition system called iProcurement. It is a web-based application, which is intuitive and user-friendly, much like Amazon.com. iProcurement will be used as the requisitioning software for all FDA employees.

In order to demonstrate the software and business processes using FDA-specific business scenarios, the iProcurement project team will be conducting a Conference Room Pilot (CRP) from December 7 - 10, for approximately 80 FDA representatives from the centers and field offices. During the

iProcurement CRP four major items will be demonstrated: how to enter a requisition; how the requisition will be electronically approved; how P-CARD (Visa/IMPAC) transactions will be used; and how the corresponding accounting transaction will be recorded in UFMS.

3. PSC Up-Date

PSC CRP1 Parking Lot Issues Posted

The PSC Parking Lot Issues identified during CRP1, and the respective resolutions (where applicable), have been posted to the UFMS intranet site (http://intranet.hhs.gov/ufms/psccrp1.html). In addition, the following documents supporting PSC and Customer Agencies Conference Room Pilot 1 have also been posted:

PSC CRP1 Orientation Presentation

PSC CRP1 Minutes

PSC CRP1 Participant Comments

Training Implementation Workshops for PSC and Its Customers

Four workshops have been scheduled from November 30 through December 2 to provide selected managers (PSC and its customers) an overview of the approach to and deployment of UFMS training. For more information see the upcoming article in the December issue of The PSC Pages.

4. UFMS Timeline

UFMS leadership has been involved in extensive work planning the road to Department-wide implementation. An updated high-level timeline is posted at http://www.hhs.gov/ufms/programtimeline.html.