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1. What did we find out through the Fit Gap?

Of the 1118 global requirements analyzed in the *UFMS Global Fit Gap Summary*, 844 were "fits" (i.e., satisfied by the standard software functionality) and 190 were "gaps" (i.e., not satisfied by the standard software functionality). The remaining global requirements were identified as belonging to external feeder systems and could not be identified as a "fit" or a "gap" at this time. These findings were included in the UFMS team's *UFMS Global Fit Gap Summary* that was completed earlier this month. The *UFMS Global Fit Gap Summary* gives an assessment of how well the standard Oracle U.S. Federal Financials software functionality meets the UFMS global requirements identified by HHS and its component agencies, hence sifting the global requirements into two groups, "fits" and "gaps." From here, the "fits" move on to be demonstrated and validated in the conference room pilots, with the first conference room pilot scheduled for August 2003. The UFMS team, working with agency representatives, will analyze closure alternatives for the "gaps" and make closure recommendations.

To look more closely at the fit/gap process and findings go to http://intranet.hhs.gov/ufms/resources.html and click on *Global Fit/Gap Summary*.

2. UFMS Road Show at the Indian Health Service (IHS)

The latest stop for the UFMS "road show" was with a group of IHS officials, managers and staff on Tuesday, April 22. "We see UFMS as an opportunity, an opportunity that has not been available to us in the past, but something we've always wanted," said Duane Jeanotte, IHS Acting Director of Headquarters Operations at the UFMS IHS Road Show. Jeanotte teamed with Kerry Weems, Acting Assistant Secretary for Budget, Technology and Finance (ASBTF) to present UFMS at IHS's office in Rockville, Maryland. Weems emphasized some of the goals of the new system, including the ability to get near real-time financial data at the program level. Gerald Thomas, PMO Director, noted that UFMS will be web-based, giving an added advantage to the manager who is traveling or at a remote location. You can view the complete IHS Road Show presentation along with the other UFMS Road Shows at https://intranet.hhs.gov/ufms/resources.html.

3. Upcoming Events for UFMS

- Kerry Weems and members of the UFMS Global team will partner with NIH to hold a "UFMS NIH Partners in Progress" meeting on May 9, 2003.
- Agency representatives have been invited to attend a series of Global Configuration working sessions April 28 May 16, 2003. The working sessions will be held in the DC/Baltimore area (with the exception of CDC which will be held in Atlanta) and will be conducted by component agency and module.



- Oracle is providing a free *Security & High Availability Briefing* for DHHS Information Security Officers and Programmers. This briefing will provide an overview and understanding of the security and high availability technology accessible through the HHS and Oracle contract vehicle. The next briefing is April 30th 10am-12pm. If you would like more information on attending, please contact your CIO or Melissa Hardt, Oracle Account Manager, at Melissa.Hardt@Oracle.com
- The next global Steering Committee meeting will be held on April 28, 2003.