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1. JFMIP Re-certifies Oracle

On September 10, 2003, JFMIP announced that Oracle's U.S. Federal Financials (UFMS software) passed its re-test and has been re-certified by JFMIP. The re-test took place on August 25-26 after Oracle was unable to meet the required 100% passing score for re-certification during their test in June.

2. Closing the Requirement "Gaps"

Would you like to see how the UFMS team plans to meet the requirements that were deemed "gaps"? Although the standard Oracle U.S. Federal Financials software does not accommodate these requirement "gaps," the UFMS team has determined solutions to fill them.

All HHS intranet users can view a complete set of Gap Closure Analysis Executive Summaries on the UFMS Intranet at http://intranet.hhs.gov/ufms/library/exec_summary.pdf. If you cannot access this link, please email us at Mailbox.UFMS@hhs.gov.

3. UFMS Planning and Development Committee Assumes UCCB Role

On September 24, 2003, the UFMS Planning and Development Committee (PDC) met for the first time as the UFMS Change Control Board (UCCB). Meeting from 9am to 11am, the PDC (comprised of each agency's CFO and CIO) voted on 24 changes to the UFMS baseline requirements.

In June, the UFMS Steering Committee decided to empower the PDC to act as the UCCB until the first production configuration baseline at CDC. In that role, the PDC has decision-making authority over change requests that impact the current approved baseline. The approved baseline includes requirements, funding and schedule. The UFMS Program Management Office has authority on all changes that do not impact the approved baseline.

To see the presentation from the September 24 UCCB meeting, go to the UFMS Intranet at http://intranet.hhs.gov/ufms/library/con_pres0924.pdf.

4. Who's Your BPOC?

Each HHS agency has identified a UFMS Business Point of Contact (BPOC) to serve as the official liaison to the UFMS program. The BPOC plays an integral role in communicating timely UFMS news to their agency. Do you know who your BPOC is?



Below is a list of the BPOCs by agency. Please stay connected with your BPOC for information about UFMS workshop involvement, news, and agency-specific information.

Bill Morris (ACF)
Terry Smith (AHRQ)
Steve Hagy and Dan Berger (AoA)
Dave Moore (CDC)
G. Jeff Chaney and Kurt Pleines (CMS)
Michelle Hawley (FDA)
Noreen Burns (HRSA)
Dan Madrano (IHS)
Steven Berkowitz (NIH)
Ed Martin (OS)
Henry Leach (PSC)
Pauline Leopard (SAMHSA)

Have We Missed Anyone?

ATTENTION all managers, supervisors and staff: Please send a list of your staff or co-workers that would benefit from hearing the latest UFMS program news to Mailbox.UFMS@hhs.gov . We want to be sure that everyone is included. Thank you!