# Florida PALM Planning, Accounting, and Ledger Management



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#### Agenda



#### **Project Updates**

IW Assessment

Personalize Agency Working Sessions

Requirements Review



Workforce Transformation

Preparing for a Move

Inventory, Plan, Execute Agency Current State Analysis

RW Tasks

FLAIR Data Elements Inventory

Agency Exchange: DOAH and DOR



Data Management and Cleanup

A&A

Agency Partnership

Agency Exchange: DBPR



Florida PALM Fundamentals

Did You Know?

What's Next?



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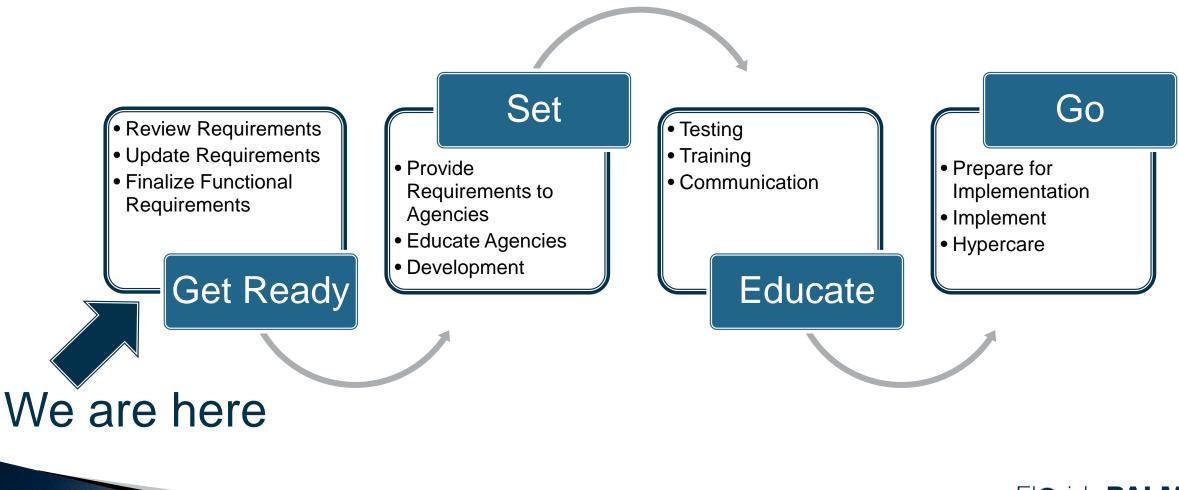
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#### **Information Warehouse Assessment**

- Data Warehouse & Business Intelligence Solution
  - Replace Information Warehouse
  - Implementation to be concurrent with Financials and Payroll Waves
  - Self-service functionality
    - Standard reports
    - Ad-hoc reports & data extracts
    - Historical reporting
    - Business intelligence tools
- Gartner report published November 2022
  - Recommendation to use Oracle Data Warehouse with Oracle Business Intelligence Tool



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#### **Personalized Agency Working Sessions**

- Met with every agency
- Completed in December 2022
- Keep the momentum!
- Recap planned for March
- Discussion of uniqueness resulted in identification of several commonalities





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#### **Personalized Agency Working Sessions**

#### COMMONALITIES

- Scripting of transactions into FLAIR
- Extensive reliance on EOs, Grouping Characters, Site Codes
- Reliance on revenue object codes for tracking and reporting
- Multi-year fiscal data need
- User-friendly data query tool
- Creative, sometimes one-off accounting techniques for atypical tracking or reporting needs

- Tracking service or receipt date
- Life-to-date data need for grants
- Business rules built around GL and or Object Code
- Non-standard FLAIR data elements used for capturing reporting needs
- External asset management system or process
- Adoption of electronic document retention and routing processes outside of FLAIR



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#### **Project Update Requirements Review**

Complete

- Personalized Agency Meetings
- Treasury Calculations Audit
- IW Assessment

In Progress

- FLAIR Requirements Reconciliation
- Project Review of Requirements
- IV&V Review

#### To Be Completed

- Advisory Council Input
- ESC Decisions
- Confirm Requirements
- Document Customizations



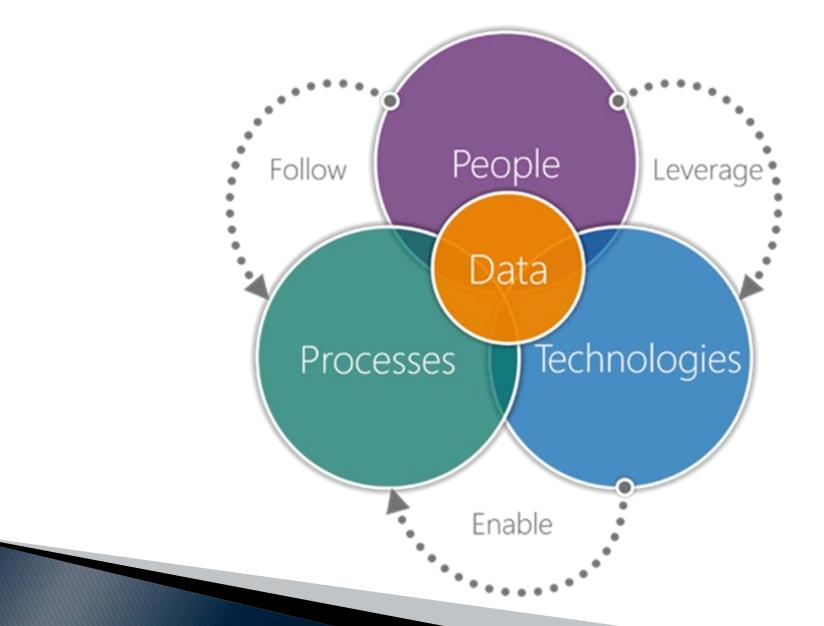
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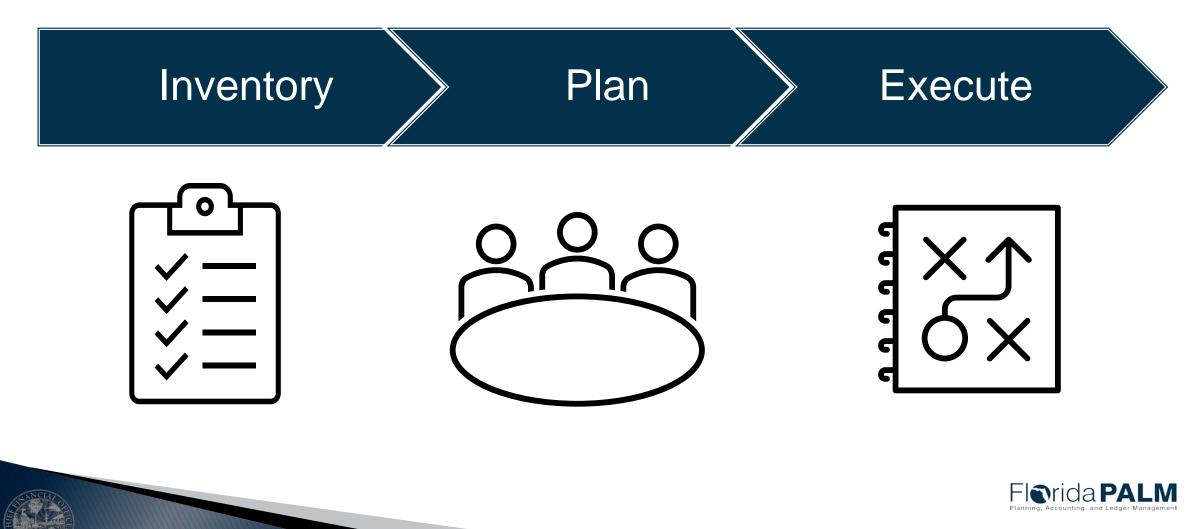
#### **Preparing for a Move**





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Approach



Inventory – Identify, Document, Verify

#### **Moving Homes**

- What is all this stuff?
- List out all the stuff Percolator and Keurig
- Why do we have all these things? What is their purpose?



#### Transitioning Systems

- How do we conduct business today?
- Inventory current business practices
- Confirm need

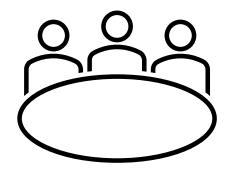


Plan – Destination, Identify Gaps, Make Decisions

#### **Moving Homes**

- New address
- Will all my stuff fit in the new place?
- Decide what to keep and what gets donated





#### **Transitioning Systems**

- Designed & developed
  Florida PALM system
- Are any required business functions not included in Florida PALM?
- Retire or remediate Agency Business Systems



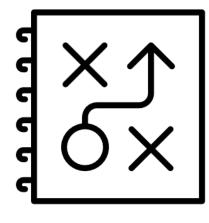
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**Execute Change – Align Resources, Initiate Plan, Move** 

#### **Moving Homes**

- Phone a friend or hire movers
- Pack it all up
- Moving day is here





#### **Transitioning Systems**

- People, funds, time
- Remediate systems, update processes, test and train
- Go-live



#### **Preparing for a Move**





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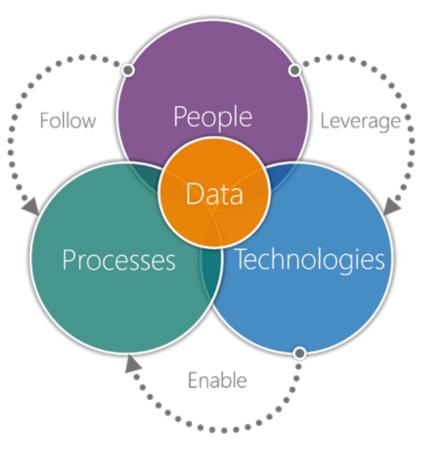




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#### Agency Current State Analysis RW Tasks Overview

- As we move into Design, RW Tasks are designed to guide an "as is" (current state) analysis of an agency's four core components:
  - People Users and stakeholders
  - Processes Controls and outcomes
  - Technologies Digital tools and resources
  - Data Operational and historical





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#### Agency Current State Analysis RW Tasks Overview

- The current state analysis activities are meant to support an agency's readiness journey by enhancing:
  - Agency staff and management's knowledge and understanding of current practices
  - Decision making about business system remediation and process changes
  - Documentation that supports scope of effort and resource requirements
- The multi-part analysis includes tasks to review, consider, and document the agency's critical data elements, reports, business systems, and business processes

#### Agency Current State Analysis RW Tasks Overview



#### Agency Current State Analysis 324 Complete FLAIR Data Elements Inventory

**Objective:** Identify and document FLAIR data elements that are used today for tracking and reporting the agency's accounting activity

- The data is changing!
- Foundational component of reports, systems, and processes
- To help you make future decisions about:
  - Interface selection
  - Agency business system remediation
  - Data configuration
  - Data conversions
  - LBR



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#### Agency Current State Analysis 324 Complete FLAIR Data Elements Inventory

#### AGENCY EXCHANGE





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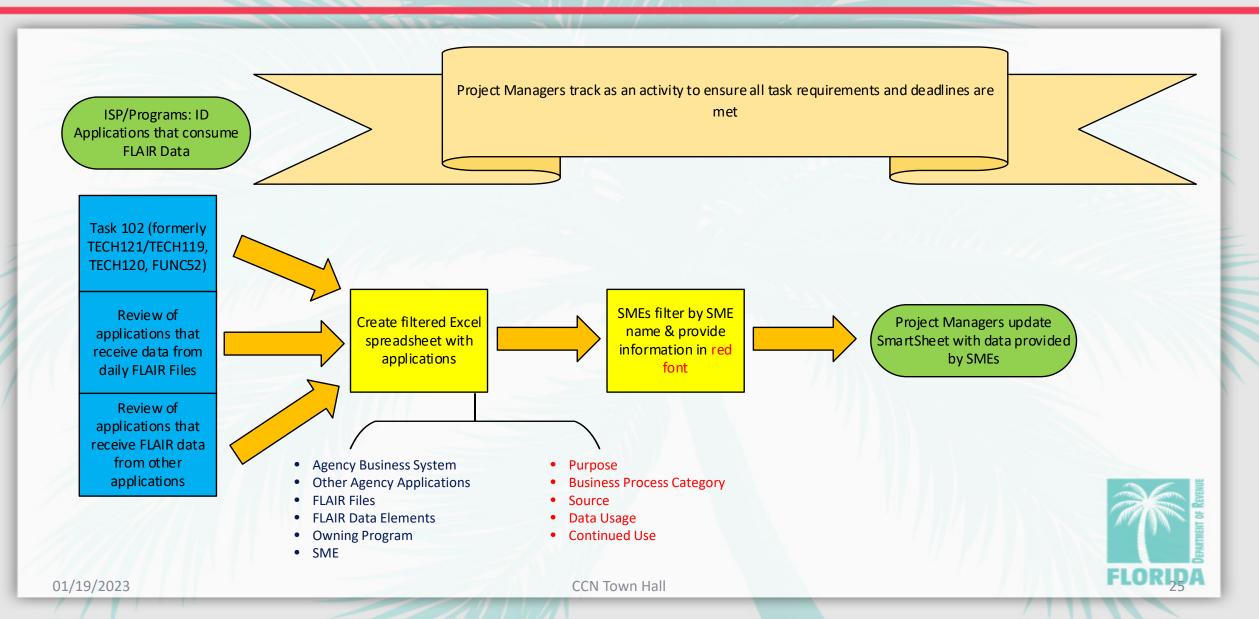
# Division of Administrative Hearings

~Florida PALM / FLAIR Data Elements Inventory Approach~

- Identify all Accounting Tasks/Activities associated with a FLAIR Data Element
- Meet with Accounting Task/Activity Owners & Accounting Back-up Owners and Programmatic Leads to review each associated FLAIR data element
- Document Discussions with Accounting Task/Activity Owners, Accounting Back-up Owners & Programmatic Leads
- Send out the FLAIR Data Elements Inventory to Meeting Participants for Verification prior to submitting the task to Florida PALM



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#### **Data Management and Cleanup** What is Data Management?

"Data management involves multiple disparate functions and systems working together to move, organize, and secure data such that it is accurate, precise, accessible and protected."

Christopher Risher
 Senior Program manager
 Onepath IT Service



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#### Data Management Approach

- Many Business Systems and processes contain accounting data
- The State's Accounting system is the central hub of data
- Data management is always necessary, but critical to our transition to Florida PALM
- The Florida PALM Data Management Approach





**Data Management Workgroups Approach** 

- Leveraging the Advisory Council
- Workgroups for 8 Data Groups
  - Accounts Receivables
  - Allotments
  - Asset Records
  - Contracts
  - Customer Records
  - o Grants
  - Open Encumbrances
  - Projects



**Data Management Workgroups Objectives** 

- Understand how data within the data group is used
- Identify opportunities for standardization
- Develop policy where needed
- Provide guidance as to data cleansing efforts
- Work toward data conversions with Florida PALM



What Can Agencies Do?

- Complete Task 324
- Review FLAIR Subsidiary and Expansion Records regularly
- Review the Master Balance File Records regularly
- Properly close out Grants, Contracts and Projects, as needed
- Work towards data clean-up, where possible
- Document areas that cannot be cleansed, if any





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#### **Data Management Resources**

My**Florida**CFO

#### Accounting and Auditing

#### Financial Guidance for State Agencies

Financial Guidance for State Agencies | Accounting and Auditing | MyFloridaCFO.com

#### Data Management

The objective of the Data Management Project is to standardize and remove stale FLAIR data to provide valid and accurate information in the State's Accounting system, therefore improving financial reporting and available data to the public. Completion of this project will enable system users and stakeholders to utilize uniform and clearly defined accounting information on a statewide basis. By managing agency data now, we can prepare for the future as the State transitions to a new accounting system, Florida PALM.

Data Management Workgroups

**Quarterly Achievements** 

**Revenue Standardization** 

Subsidiary and Information File Analysis

Master Balance File Cleanup

Payroll Deduction Code Standardization

Retirement Adjustment Initiative

Job Aids









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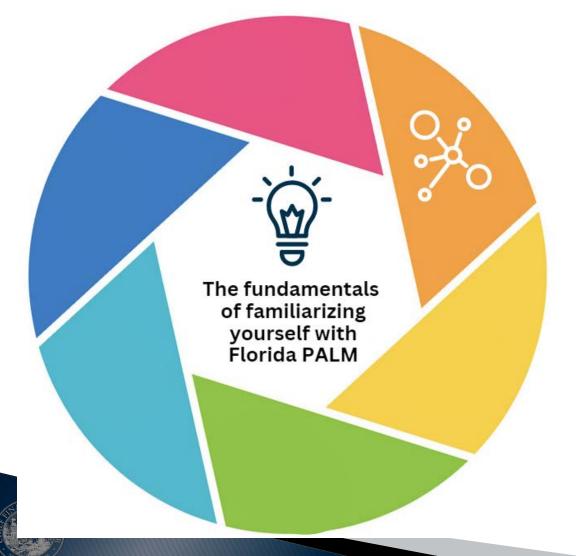


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 Florida PALM is an allencompassing system that incorporates all activities performed today, into one system, tomorrow





- Florida PALM is a single system with multiple modules
  - Modules speak to each other
  - Activity begins in a module and may work its way to the General Ledger Module





- Everyone works within the same system
  - Agency and Enterprise user access
  - One book of record
- Business Unit (BU) specific
  - Enterprise BUs
  - Agency BUs





- Role-based access
  - Grants a user access to functions needed to perform assigned job duties
  - May be assigned multiple roles
  - Single sign on





- Transactions
  - System updates
  - Monitor Lifecycle in WorkCenter
  - Fiscal Periods, Month End and Year End Closing



# Florida PALM Fundamentals Questions?

#### PALM TECH End User Training

The resources listed are in addition to, or supplemental of, PALM TECH training materials published in the statewide Learning Management System. We encourage you to visit this page often as new resources are added as additional needs are recognized.

#### Helpful links

PALM

TECH

Training, Enrichment, Communication, & Help

Florida PALM End User Manual Security Access Management User Manual

Taking Florida PALM Training Learning Management System (LMS) Training Curriculum and Role to Course Matrix

The following categories contain resources such as Job aids, Videos, Tips & Tricks materials, and more

Categories

Manuals

- > Access
- > Chart of Accounts
- > Disinvestments
- > Forms
- > General Information
- > Query
- > Reporting

Have you encouraged End Users to review the End User Training Page on the Florida PALM website?



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- Available Training
- $\circ$  LMS
- Florida PALM End User Training Page
- End User Training Manual





- New terminology
- ChartFields vs. Data Elements
- ChartField String vs. 29-digit code
- One system vs. Central & Departmental FLAIR
- No more transaction codes (TRs)



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