



July 2016 Changes to the Commonwealth's Performance Budgeting System

Changes have been made to the Performance Budgeting system to support the new fund detail structure in the Cardinal financial system operated by the Department of Accounts. Hopefully all Virginia state agencies have been made aware by now that fund details in Cardinal have been changed to include five digits instead of the four digit fund used in CARS. With the July 8, 2016 update, the new Cardinal fund structure is included in the Performance Budgeting system.

For the most part, no action should be required on any agency's part as a result of this change. Any work items created in the Performance Budgeting system prior to the switchover should be automatically converted to use the applicable Cardinal fund details. If for some reason, an existing work item used a fund detail that has no Cardinal equivalent, the old four digit fund detail will still show, indicating that there is no Cardinal equivalent and this fund detail will need to be replaced with a Cardinal fund.

Any new work items will use the Cardinal fund structure after the switchover. Initially, you may see that you have access to choose some old four digit fund details. However, you should not use these and should only use the new five digit codes. The older four digit codes are in the process of being disabled and will eventually not be visible or available for use.

In addition to the fund detail change in the Performance Budgeting system application, all system reports are being updated to support the new fund structure. In addition, a new version of the Expendwise report is being created that will pull information on expenditures, revenue collections, cash balances and other account information from Cardinal.

The Cardinal system includes several changes to chart of account values, but the July 2016 Performance Budgeting system release only includes the change in fund detail structure. Agency codes, programs/service areas, subobjects, and other chart of account values shared with Cardinal will remain unchanged in the Performance Budgeting system for now. However, such changes are being evaluated for inclusion in future updates to the Performance Budgeting system.

Finally, the July 2016 update to the Performance Budgeting system includes a change to the color scheme/theme of the various screens used in the system and some minor changes and defect corrections in various modules. *Users may need to click the shift key while clicking on their browser refresh button to update the color scheme/theme.*

NOTE: *The July release occurred overnight between July 8 and July 9. As a result of this release, reports will be unavailable for the majority of the July 9-July 10 weekend.*