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MEMORANDUM

TO: GMS Change Agents, Superintendents, and Business Managers
FROM: Emily Byrne, Chief Financial Officer
SUBJECT: Grants Management System Replacement Project Update
DATE: June 27, 2018

This message is intended to update all State of Vermont Supervisory Unions and School Districts on the progress and upcoming activities in the new Agency of Education (AOE) Grants Management System.

Since our previous update on April 16th where we reported our success in completing two new data collections and our first Grant Application, we've successfully launched eight more priority grants to include Perkins Post-Secondary, Tobacco, Consolidated Federal Programs (CFP), Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), Building Effective Strategies for Teaching (BEST) & Act 230, Migrant, Neglected & Delinquent, and School Improvement Grant (SIG) 1003g.

With these completed, we are proceeding next to develop, rollout, and provide training on the:

- Reimbursement Request process
- Grant Monitoring Collections
- Remaining five Grant Applications (*note: 21st Century being done in two parts*)

We have adjusted our timeline accordingly to reflect the work completed and next activities planned. Our up-to-date [timeline is available here](#) along with other project related information found on our [GMS Replacement Project web page](#).

During the testing phase of upcoming activities planned, we will contact those affected to discuss timing details and schedule end-user training. Upcoming training includes two separate webinars for Business Managers on the *Reimbursement Request Process*, to be scheduled in the 4th and 5th weeks of July.

If you've not used the new system yet, we encourage you to visit [the home page of the new AOE-GMS](#). There you will find the login area (for users with account credentials), announcements, technical information, published training videos, user manual, and more.

Please share this memo with others in your SU/SD that need the information. This may include -- but is not limited to -- Curriculum Coordinators and Special Education Administrators. Thank you for your continued support in this important initiative. If you have questions regarding this update or any other concerns, please [send an email to our Project Team](#).