

# Service Level Agreement

# Administrative Support Services







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#### 1.0 SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT OVERVIEW

This Service Level Agreement (SLA) is intended to identify the basic services, and any agreed upon optional services provided by the Administrative Support Services group, a unit within Business Services of Institutional Planning and Operations. Administrative Support Services provides a host of services to the departments/units which fall under the Institutional Planning and Operations' (IP&O) divisional umbrella. They are responsible for coordinating and uniting the administrative (budget, finance, accounting, IT and labor relations) support of IP&O.

This SLA covers the period from July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026 and will be reviewed and revised at the end of this period.

#### 2.0 DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES

Administrative Support Services group is responsible for coordinating and uniting the efforts of IP&O individual units statewide. The unit provides data that drives decisions about business efforts, as well as aiding in future planning. Oversees budget, finance, accounting, timekeeping, IT and labor relations support. Administrative Support Services are a team of professionals committed to the delivery of innovative, effective and efficient customer services while maintaining fiscal integrity.

#### 3.0 SERVICE COSTS

Note: "General and Administrative" RCM Metric uses operating expenses to allocate the cost pool. Exclusions include: direct debt, direct utilities, F&A return, and subcontracts.

In developing the fiscal operating budget (Cost Pool), there are numerous assumptions and sensitivities that are addressed. These include but are not limited to:

- 1. Changes in aligned employees collective bargaining agreements.
- 2. Fluctuation in fringe benefit rates.
- 3. Rise in contract, equipment and supply costs.

#### 4.0 SERVICE PROVIDER RESPONSIBILITIES

Administrative Support Services is a diverse group of professionals providing valued services to IP&O. We strive for outstanding service delivery, innovation and continuous improvements.

#### Financial Governance

- Managing the fiscal affairs of the unit within the IP&O Division
- Providing business related guidance to unit's staff
- Serving as the unit's primary contact with numerous divisions of the central University, including:
  - the Office of Budget
  - the Office of the Controller
  - Research Financial Services
  - the Payroll Department
  - and other Rutgers business offices
- Improving internal controls
- Enhancing reporting and finance related services
- Reducing costs across the division

#### Financial Services

- Overseeing general accounting activities and authorizations (signatory authority, journal entries, new accounts, etc.)
- Managing approval of salary and non-salary expenditures
- Initiating and Analyzing Financial Reports (monthly, quarterly, year-end and ad-hoc)
- Monitoring Accounts Payable and Accounts Receivables
- Maintaining Chart of Accounts

#### **Budget Services**

- Budget Development
- Budget Adjustments
- Forecasting
- Workforce Planning
- Budget to Actual Analysis and Reporting
- RCM Modeling

#### **Procurement Services**

- Strategic Sourcing
- Requisition and Purchase Order Processing/Approval
- Invoice Payments Processing/Approval
- RFP and RFI Development
- Bidding Process

#### Timekeeping

• Kronos Administration

#### <u>Information Technology Service</u>

- Application Development
- Data Administration
- Server Administration
- Desktop Support
- Enterprise Software Support/Management

- Help Desk Support
- Systems Administration
- Web Development/Programming

#### **Labor Relations**

- Providing advice to IP&O units and supervisors with respect to interpretation and application of university Human Resource policies and university bargaining agreements.
- Providing support and training to supervisors with respect to discipline.
- Administering the grievance process for IP&O
  - Managing the scheduling of grievance hearings
  - Providing guidance to supervisors on how to present information and preside over hearings during the grievance process.
- Serving as a liaison to the Office University Labor Relations for grievances and other related matters.
- Facilitating compliance with certain Federal and State laws related to employment
- Supports the Office University Labor Relations on Negotiating, administering and interpreting the collectively negotiated agreements with staff labor unions

#### **5.0 PROBLEM MANAGEMENT**

Administrative Support Services operates collaboratively within our group, as well as with colleagues from other internal IP&O departments and outside of IP&O. Should problems arise, the contacts listed below are equipped to manage the issues. Should problems be unresolved, their resolution will be escalated to the Vice President.

#### 5.1 SUPPORT & PROBLEM ESCALATION CONTACT LIST

Support Help Line						
Name	Role	Phone	Email			
Business Email	General Email Box	848-932-1011	business.services@ipo.rutgers.edu			
Support Contacts						
Erin Cuomo	AVP Budget and Finance	848-932-4981	erin.cuomo@rutgers.edu			
Gerald Thomas	Senior Director, Capital Budget and Finance	848-445-2804	gerald.thomas@rutgers.edu			

Name	Role	Phone	Email			
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Jennifer Sousa	Assistant Director Administration	848-445-3715	Jennifer.sousa@rutgers.edu			
<b>Escalation Contacts</b>						
Name	Role	Phone	Email			
Henry X. Velez	Vice President, Business Services	848-932-1011	henry.x.velez@rutgers.edu			

#### **6.0 KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS AND METRICS**

- Operating expense ratio
- Forecast budget to actual variances
- Cost recovery ratio
- Up-time of information systems
- Active to budgeted employee FTEs

#### 7.0 PERIODIC REVIEW PROCESS

This SLA is a living document and will be reviewed and updated at a minimum of once per fiscal year. Contents of this document may be amended as required, provided mutual agreement is obtained and communicated to all affected parties. Administrative Support Services will incorporate all subsequent revisions and obtain mutual agreements/approvals as required.

### **8.0 OUT OF SCOPE SERVICES**

Out of scope services are those services specific to accomplish a goal within a school or department. These services are fee based. Order of Magnitude estimates are provided upon request. Service examples include:

- Kronos installation and support services
- Shared IT licenses
- Agreed upon support services









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