



# STATE OF CONNECTICUT

## OFFICE OF POLICY AND MANAGEMENT

### MEMORANDUM

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DATE: October 1, 2013

SUBJECT: Federal Government Shutdown

Pursuant to Secretary Barnes' memorandum dated September 24, 2013, below please find OPM's assessment of the federal government shutdown.

OPM receives federal funding from the Departments of Justice and Health and Human Services.

OPM has received guidance from the Office of Justice Programs (OJP) as follows. OJP has sufficient resources to remain operational through Friday, October 4, 2013. This means that OJP staff will be available to assist grantees, stakeholders, and the public during this period. Likewise, OJP systems and services will be available. Should the lapse continue past October 4, 2013, OJP will not have sufficient resources to remain operational and will therefore convert to a furlough and shut down status, ceasing all operations. Grantee activities and projects already funded under existing grants will generally be able to continue to the extent the grantee has funding available. The exception to this guidance would be if Federal employee involvement is critical to the project being carried out or proceeding to the next step.

The State has also received guidance from the Department of Health and Human Services as follows. A federal government shut-down will not impact State Innovation Models (SIM) Implementation award funding as the funding for SIM Implementation budget period of performance has already been obligated under the FY2013 approved appropriation. As such, a government shut-down will only affect FY2014 appropriation.

What will be impacted is the ability for OPM to draw funds. OPM draws down funds on a quarterly basis to reimburse the Office of the Comptroller for funds it advances to OPM to operate federal grant awards. OPM is current in drawing down funds in July 2013 for the quarter ending June 2013. OPM is scheduled to draw down funds during the month of October for the quarter ending September 2013. The reimbursement of expenses for this time period will be delayed. Although there will be a delay in receiving the reimbursement of funds from the federal government, we have no reason to believe such funds will be in jeopardy.

OPM does not believe there is any significant cause for concern and OPM does not contemplate any labor issues in connections with partially funded or fully funded federal positions.

Please contact me should you have any questions or require additional information.