CONNECTIONS Weekly Technical Bulletin

July 31-August 6, 2015

Weekly System Maintenance

Due to regularly scheduled maintenance, the CONNECTIONS application will be unavailable on:

- Friday, July 31, from 4 a.m. to 7 a.m.
- Wednesday, August 5, from 4 a.m. to 7 a.m.
- Friday, August 7, from 4 a.m. to 7 a.m.

Update: Error when Invalidating Movements in Activities

In late June, an error was identified with invalidating movements codes in the Activities Window. Users who attempt to invalidate a Movement (M910, M950, M960, M981, M982, or M990) encounter an error message that disallows the invalidation.

The issue is tentatively scheduled to be fixed in the normal morning maintenance window on Wednesday, August 5, between 5 a.m. and 7 a.m. A subsequent communication will inform users when invalidation of movements codes is again possible.

When this issue is corrected, please note the following: Due to BICS limitations with absences, it is advised that if an Invalidate and Re-Entry of a certain Movement that would start or end an absence is necessary, users should do the Invalidate on one day and the Re-Entry on the following day. Movements that do not pertain to absences (M981 and M982) can be Invalidated and Re-Entered on the same day.

Updated NYTD Tip Sheet Now Available

An updated version of the National Youth in Transition Database (NYTD) Reporting Requirements tip sheet is now available, revised in July 2015. The tip sheet can be accessed at the following links:

CONNECTIONS Intranet
CONNECTIONS Internet

CONNECTIONS Intranet Site: http://ocfs.state.nyenet/connect/
CONNECTIONS Internet Site: http://ocfs.ny.gov/connect/