Grant Management Workshop FAQ from Byrne JAG and CESF Chat September 14, 2021

Will the mailing of BYRNE JAG Grants be delayed because of Just Grants or other reasons?

Answer: Much like in year's past, be prepared for JAG to be delayed. The Federal Government "attempts" to get the awards to the states by the end of September, but even if they do it takes several weeks for states to work with getting those awards set up and clearing all the Special Conditions to be able to utilize those awards.

1. We currently use Just Grants for reporting JAG Grants. When is the GEMS used? In other words, are there two different JAG Grant types.

Answer: Does your agency receive a direct JAG Award? If so, then you would be using Just Grants. GEMS is used if you apply to our agency for a grant and it is awarded by us, which then makes you a subrecipient of the larger state award. You must use GEMS because that's our way of knowing that you're, spending the money that you are authorized to spend. You are executing the reporting and assigns reimbursements to a grants manager to process for you and authorize payment.

2. If we are getting this through GEMS, do we report in PMT? If you have a final report to submit and the PMT has not yet opened for submission?

Answer: Yes, Grantees are required to enter data on all performance measures that are applicable to activities proposed in your grant application. Based on the selected purpose areas and activities. The PMT report will narrow down the performance measures of which you will need to report. If you do not have data to enter for the reporting period; enter zeros for each of those measures.

Answer: You need to wait for the PMT site open. Normally the PMT site will not open until the first day of the next month; so, for upcoming Grants the section does not open until the 1st of October but it's been known occasionally to open up a day or two early. I suggest checking the BJ website periodically and if you have a problem give us a call at the main office.