Frequently Asked Questions

How do I log on the HR Direct?  http://www.umassmed.edu/hr/hrdirect1.aspx

How do I reach the HR Service Center?  X65260

Where can I find online training manuals?  Go to HR Direct and click on the Job Aids link in the left navigation.

How do I print an ePAF form?  Using the manual “View ePAF”, bring up the ePAF form you wish to print.  Once the form shows on your screen, use your internet tools options to print.

Who do I contact if I have a problem or question about using the ePAF form?  Send an email to HRSysGroup@umassmed.edu

How do I, as an approver, know if I have something to approve?  The Worklist is where any ePAF form will be that is pending your approval.  You will also receive an email notification.

Can an approver change an ePAF form?  If an approver needs to change an ePAF form, they would have to send back the form using the “Reprocess chg” button at the end of the form.  The comments section should note what needs to be changed on the form.

How do I check the status of an ePAF form?  Using the manual “View ePAF”, bring up the ePAF form you wish to check the status on.  Go to the last page of the form and review the column titled “Workflow Form Status” in the Transaction Log.

How do I know who my ePAF form is with?  Using the manual “View ePAF”, bring up the ePAF form you wish to check on.  Go to the last page of the form and review the column titled “User Description” in the Transaction Log.

How do I pull back an ePAF form that I started and it is still in the approval process?  Follow the instructions noted in the manual “Resubmit or Withdraw”.

What is the difference between Resubmit and Withdraw?  Resubmit is used by an initiator if an ePAF is in the approval process and it needs to be changed or by an approver that needs the form changed.  Resubmit always brings the ePAF form back to the initiator, the form is updated and the approval process starts again.  Withdraw cancels the ePAF form.

How do I, as an initiator, know if an ePAF form has been sent back to me?  The Worklist is where any ePAF form will be located if one is sent back to you.  You will also receive an email notification.
How do I retrieve an ePAF form that, as an initiator, I have started and clicked on the “Save for later” button? Navigate to and click on the link Resubmit, Change, or Withdraw an ePAF. At the search box, enter the ePAF form number or the employee id. The pending form will show and you can continue working on it.

How do I pull back an ePAF form that has already been completed? Send an email to HRSysGroup@umassmed.edu as soon as you know there is a need to undo a completed ePAF transaction.

What effective date should I use for an ePAF form? Always try to use the beginning day (Sunday) of a current pay period. There will be times when that date might not apply and therefore, you might need to use a mid-pay period date.

What is an “Employee Group”? This field is similar to the “Class” field that is used on the current PA form.

**ePAF Employee Groups**

- Classified (W20) AFSCME
- Classified (W21) NEPBA Police
- Classified (W22) MNA
- Classified (W23) NEPBA Sergeants
- Classified (W25) Non Unit Classified
- Classified (W28) SHARE
- Classified (W50) NAGE
- UMCH Classified
- UMCH Professional
- Faculty
- Grad Students
- Post Docs
- Professional (W50) Prof NAGE
- Professional (W60) Non Unit
- Residents
- Students
- Temprite