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Government and higher-education institutions rely heavily upon legally restricted assets and timely reporting of revenues, expenditures and encumbrances relative to pre-established budgets. Consequently the budget and related controls are a **critical** factor in achieving their public-service mission impacting the entire organization and most financial transactions. As such, the funds control implementation carries weight both in priority and in risk. However, there is also opportunity for financial managers to use the budget to improve performance and the budget process is evolving towards that end. PeopleSoft's Commitment Control supports these needs with full delivered integration throughout Financials, Supply Chain Management, Human Capital Management, and Budgeting

Best practice PeopleSoft Commitment Control requires more than a consultant – this requires a solutions architect. Metaformers provides the solutions architects that can leverage knowledge and experience implementing best practice configuration of each suite, as well as best practice use of the delivered PeopleSoft functionality and tools. PeopleSoft's funds control solution, Commitment Control, was developed to support current education and government funds control best practices. Its flexible design supports the varying depth and breadth of funds control needs of PeopleSoft customers.

This same flexibility can present challenges to customers implementing the product. The strength of Commitment Control integration can be a weakness if the product is incorrectly implemented or upgraded. Information that should be real-time and readily available can return meaningless or invalid data and lead to a loss of data integrity if the product is incorrectly implemented or upgraded. Commitment Control's complexity is caused by its high degree of integration within PeopleSoft Enterprise and the high degree of flexibility to meet the budget management business process. Best practice use of Commitment Control requires an adequate level of understanding of this integration, including the cause and effect of the myriad Commitment Control options, and a **clear** vision of how Commitment Control will support the organization's budget management process on an ongoing basis.

PeopleSoft Enterprise customers who have chosen to **not** use Commitment Control or those who have implemented Commitment Control but do not consider the functionality contributing to best practice use within the organization should consider the potential for improvement to better support their current, mission-critical needs **with** the partner recognized by Oracle as the #1 consultancy with the best practice use of Commitment Control.

***"We've made more progress in the past three days (with Metaformers) than we have in the past 5 months"***

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