

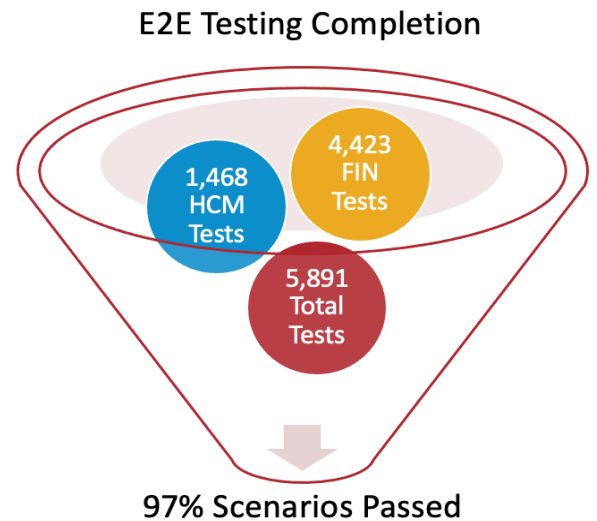


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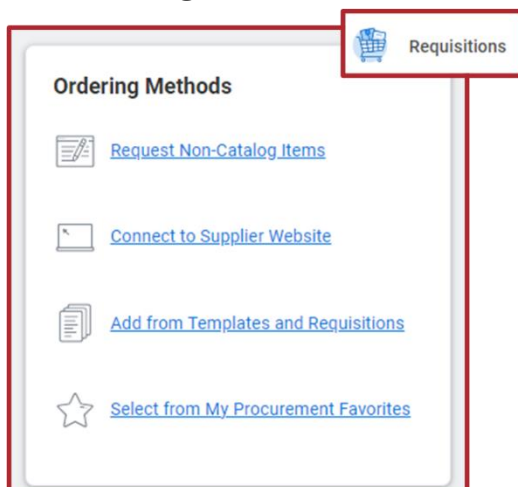
Successful Completion of End-to-End Cycle 2

We are thrilled to announce that we have successfully met our target exit criteria for End-to-End (E2E) Cycle 2 testing, thereby officially concluding the E2E testing activities! This is a moment of celebration, signifying that we have rigorously tested all aspects of Workday including its functional capabilities and business processes as well as key reports, and integrations. Moreover, we passed 97% of our assigned E2E test scenarios, surpassing the target goal of 90%! This was our program's team first opportunity to dive into our configured Workday system and see, first-hand, how the system will support our business processes once we are live next Summer. With End-to-End testing completed, we will begin our payroll parallel testing with more information to share in a future edition of The Maryland Connector.



Change Champion Network Session: Security

The Change Champion Network (CCN) meeting that took place on October 12th focused on Workday's enhanced security features. The session highlighted the pivotal shift from security being tied to individual employees to an innovative approach where security is role-based. This change ensures that access aligns with the specific responsibility of an employee's position, thus enhancing confidentiality, integrity, and audit compliance. One of the most notable improvements discussed was the ability to have workers support roles in the event of unexpected vacancies, which mitigates the risk of tasks being overlooked during employee leave or departures. We are already planning next month's CCN presentation on Academic Staffing and Talent Management. For access to our previous CCN meeting materials or recordings, please contact your change ambassador or the Change Management team at: mdconnect@usmd.edu.



Unlocking Workday: Procurement

In Workday, procurement and finance are a single unified system, making the entire goods and services requisition process more streamlined and efficient. With features like mobile requisition approvals, punchouts (external vendors linked in Workday allowing for easy shopping without leaving Workday) for enhanced spend visibility, and simplified search functionality, Workday procurement empowers workers to track requisition status seamlessly. This revolution in procurement brings unparalleled advantages while retaining approvals for certain dollar amounts and increased receiving volume through purchase orders, all contributing to a more agile and efficient system!