

ISSUE	<b>EGMS</b> <b>The expected values for Department Name and Subdivision Name in EGMS for Grants.Gov, NIH 398 and NIH 2590 Proposals do not appear. Department Name is displaying DeptID Name, and Subdivision Name is appearing as PS Level 5 name (e.g., “AHC” instead of “Medical School”)</b>
STATUS	Closed (see Solution and Resolution section, below)
DESCRIPTION	<p>( 1 ) <u>398 proposals</u> Departments/PIs use EGMS to create documents to expedite re-keying of data into an NIH 398 form sets (11/07 forms version). Departments should <u>not</u> use the values shown in 3a and 3b in the 398 face page produced by EGMS but instead manually replace those two values with the desired department name (e.g., “Surgery”) and subdivision name (e.g., “Medical School” ) when they produce the final on the final version of the form set (typically, on forms downloaded from NIH)</p> <p>( 2 ) <u>2590 progress reports</u>. The department name and the subdivision name do not appear correctly on the Face page (field 2a and 2c, respectively).</p>
IMPACT	<p>Estimated number of individuals impacted: Not known, but a large number of investigators and their departments use EGMS each year to help produce Grants.Gov and NIH applications (number exceeds 500 per year).</p> <p>If left uncorrected, NIH would add an additional value for the U of Minnesota for each new departmental name into its statistical records, and amend the subdivision to reflect an incorrect level. Both of these changes will negatively impact national comparative reports and cause a loss of comparative data across fiscal years. This impedes UM’s ability to be viewed as a top 3 public university and impairs organizational officials from understanding the trends for their units. It is not likely that this change would result in NIH failing to consider a proposal or issue a new or renewal award on a timely basis, although in the case of continuation awards, it is possible that awards would be delayed while NIH investigated the discrepancy in its records.</p>
SOLUTION OR RESOLUTION:	<p><u>Interim Fix Implemented (7/24/08)</u></p> <p>We have changed the table where the values are drawn for the Home Department field in such a way that it will look more like the values that would have appeared prior to July 1, 2008. Applications finalized after this date are expected to perform as they would have prior to EFS Go-Live.</p> <p>Any new Department DeptIDs created after 7/1/08 will not, however, function and the outcome for these values is not yet known. Contact the EGMS Help Desk if you experience this problem and OVPR-IT staff will work with you to create a solution.</p>