



# BEACON HR/Payroll Project Update

Monthly Technical Agent Meeting  
February 27, 2008

## Agenda

- Deployment updates
- Mass Printing of Remuneration Statements for Group II
- BEST Shared Services & Group II
- BEACON Requirements
- Schedule of NCID meeting
- Upcoming Technical BST meetings

# Deployment Update

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- **Cutover Weekend Dates**
  - Feb 29 (7pm) until Mar 3 (6am)
    - Load org structures and positions
    - **No ESS, MSS or core user access!**
  - Mar 7 (7pm) until Mar 10 (6am)
    - Load employee data
    - **No ESS, MSS or core user access!**
  - Mar 14 (7pm) until Mar 17 (6am)
    - Load BI and security data
    - **No ESS, MSS or core user access!**
  - Mar **20** (7pm) until Mar 24 (6am)
    - Load benefit vendor files and remaining PA and BI data
    - **No ESS, MSS or core user access!**
  - Mar 28 (7pm) until Mar 31 (6am)
    - Load payroll history clusters and remaining security data
    - **No ESS, MSS or core user access!**

## Deployment Update

- **Other Deployment Activities**
  - **Testing JAWS software with SAP**
    - Users identified at DHHS and DCR
    - **Any other agencies?**
  
  - **Interface Testing**
    - Beacon is providing new layouts, test files, FTP server access rights to agency identified contacts
    - **Have we missed you?**
  
  - **Technical Readiness**
    - Mock 4 agency reviews had firewall and GUI installation issues
    - **Some core users will get production access as early as March 10**

## Mass Printing of Remuneration Statements for Group II

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- Successful 'proof of concept' test at ITS and DHHS
- Selection field 'OrgUnit' will allow for multiple selections per print batch
- Follow-up meetings with the involved agencies within the next two weeks

## **BEST Shared Services & Group II**

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User Group	SOFTWARE
ESS/MSS Users	<b>IE6 SP2 and above</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Pop-Up Blocker Deactivated</li> <li>- JRE 1.5 or higher</li> <li>- HTTPS communication - Trust BEACON Portal Servers :                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*.nc.gov</li> <li>*.its.state.nc.us</li> <li>*.ncgov.net</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Allow for temporary session cookies</li> </ul>
	<b>WIN2000, XP, VISTA</b>
BI Users (reporting)	<b>EXCEL 2003</b> (if agency has business need to export data from BEACON to Excel)
Power Users (GUI)	<b>IE6 SP2 and above</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Pop-Up Blocker Deactivated</li> <li>- JRE 1.5 or higher</li> <li>- HTTPS communication - Trust BEACON Portal Servers :                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*.nc.gov</li> <li>*.its.state.nc.us</li> <li>*.ncgov.net</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Allow for temporary session cookies</li> </ul>
	<b>EXCEL 2003</b> (if agency has business need to export data from BEACON to Excel)
	<b>Acrobat Reader Version 5 and above</b>
	<b>WIN2000, XP, VISTA</b>
	<b>SAPGUI710 Patch 3</b>

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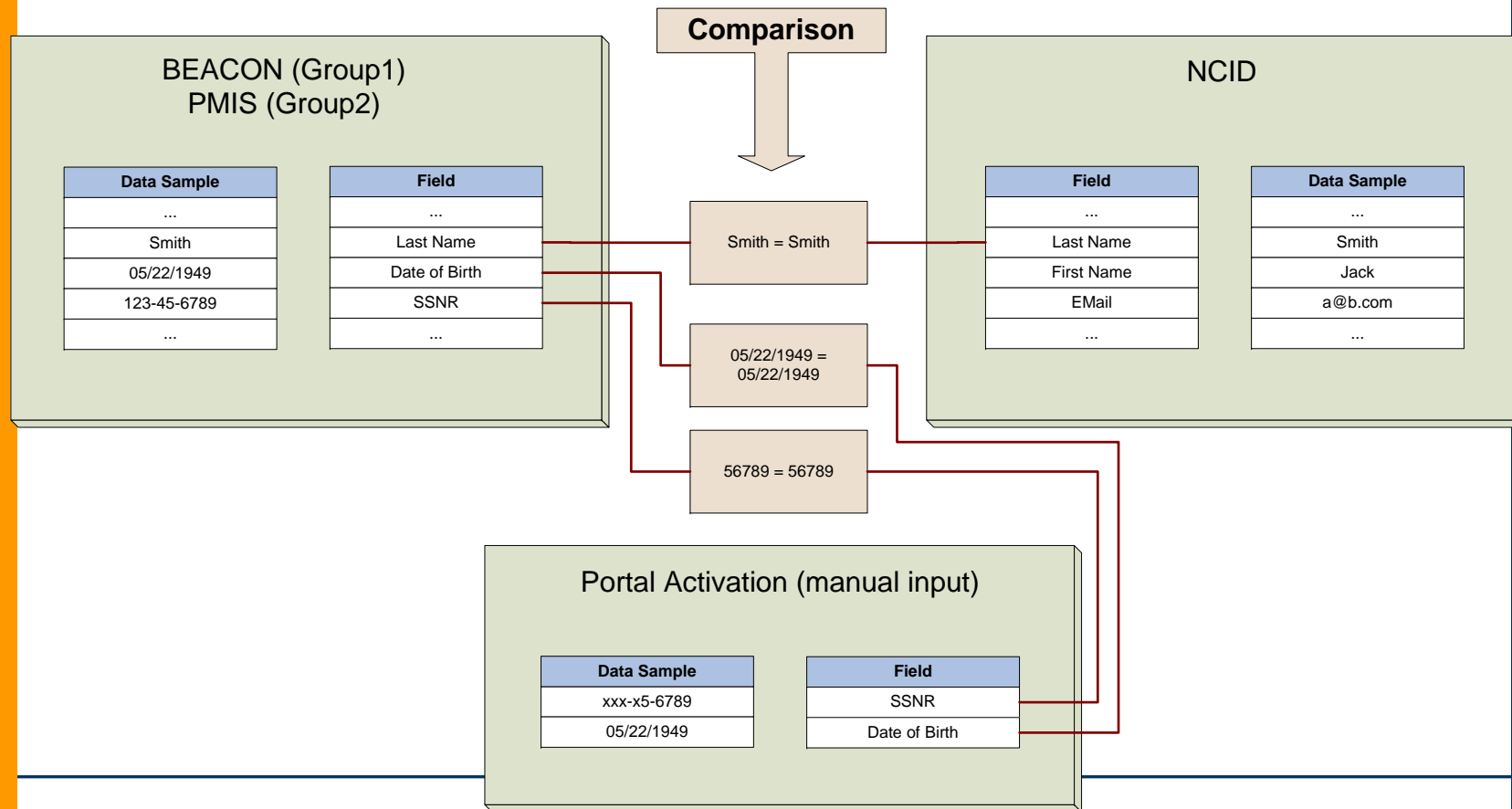
HARDWARE minimum requirements			
User Group	CPU	RAM	HD
Portal	1 GHz	256 MB	1 GB
GUI (WIN2000,XP)	500 MHz +	192 MB	1 GB
GUI (VISTA)	1 GHz	1 GB	1 GB

# BEACON Requirements

## Field value comparison for BEACON activation

In order to receive a successful validation, the following criteria must be met:

- 1) The values from the 'Date of Birth' fields have to match
- 2) The last five numbers of the 'SSNR' fields have to match
- 3) The content of the 'Last Name' fields have to match to the following extend: the comparison is not key sensitive; special characters like hyphen, apostrophe, space, etc. are ignored;



## Schedule of NCID Meeting

## Upcoming Technical BST Meetings

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MARCH						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

**Where?** BEACON Biltmore

**When?** 1:00pm

**How long?** 1hr

APRIL						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
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