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MEMORANDUM FOR HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

FROM: KAY COLES JAMES
Director 

Subject: Nominations for Financial Management Improvement Awards

The Joint Financial Management Improvement Program (JFMIP) is a cooperative undertaking of the Office of Personnel Management, Department of the Treasury, Office of Management and Budget, and the Government Accountability Office, working in cooperation with Federal agencies, to improve financial management in government. As Chair of the JFMIP Principals, I would like to inform you that we are currently seeking nominations for the Donald L. Scantlebury Memorial Award, which recognizes distinguished senior executive leadership in financial management improvement in the public sector.

Since 1971, the JFMIP has sponsored an annual award program directed to excellence in financial management in federal, state, or local government. In 1981, the award was designated as the Donald L. Scantlebury Memorial Award in honor of the Chief Accountant at the U.S. General Accounting Office and the chairman of the JFMIP Steering Committee. Mark Carney, Deputy Chief Financial Officer, U.S. Department of Education; Jesse Funches, Chief Financial Officer, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission; and Barbara Hafer, Treasurer, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania were last year's Scantlebury Award recipients.

The Scantlebury Memorial Award selection criteria were revised to include emphasis on current and future challenges related to sustained leadership in the area of financial management. The new criteria were extended to recognize financial management leaders for their accomplishments in improving their agency's financial management as a result of better human capital management. The Scantlebury Memorial Award will be presented at this year's 34th annual JFMIP Financial Management Conference on March 10, 2005, in Washington DC. All nominations must be completed and received by the JFMIP Awards Committee by no later than January 21, 2005. Nomination forms and procedures, and additional information including award eligibility and revised selection criteria can be found at the JFMIP website at <http://www.jfmip.gov>.

If you have additional questions, please feel free to contact Ms. Doris Chew, JFMIP Assistant Executive Director, at 202-219-0526 or doris.chew@gsa.gov.

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