

OPM Launches Enhanced Telework Website

U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM) Director Linda M. Springer today announced the launch of an enhanced interagency telework website, www.telework.gov. The updated site features a series of user-friendly improvements designed to make telework information more accessible and understandable to Federal employees. "The launch of this updated website will allow Government employees and managers a greater understanding of telework," Director Springer said. "This user-friendly site provides an abundance of information, and allows users to get direct access to questions from telework experts. This site will certainly contribute to continued growth of telework in the Federal Government."

The updated website was developed in partnership with the General Services Administration (GSA), OPM's [telework.gov](http://www.telework.gov) partner. Users can read and download recent telework guidance and legislation, reports, and studies. A search database allows users to input telework-related questions, and if answers are not found onsite the questions can be routed to experts who will respond via email. The site offers telework guidance and direction to employees and managers, as well as telework coordinators.

Additional features of the updated site include quick links to key pages, online telework training, and easy access to telework-related policies such as reasonable accommodation and emergency closure. Finally, the site displays a green color scheme throughout, chosen to reflect the environmentally friendly aspects of telework.

Telework in the Federal Government has increased significantly since 2001, 110,000 employees currently telework according to OPM's latest report to Congress. The report also found that while overall telework numbers were down slightly from 2005, a majority of agencies increased telework over the previous year, and that 42% fully integrated telework into their emergency planning.