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## **Memorandum**

**To:** Boston University Faculty and Staff  
**From:** Boston University Travel Services Department  
**Date:** May 15, 2019  
**Subject:** New Security Role for Concur Travel Approvals/ Cost Object Based Workflow System Enhancement

Hello,

You are receiving this email as you have been identified as an individual who has been, or currently is, a financial approver in the Concur Travel & Expense system.

Recently BU Works & Travel Services completed a system enhancement effort to make it easier for Department's to control who approves expense reports for their areas and accounts.

The creation of the E.FI.TRAVEL\_APPROVER Security Role, partnered with Concur daily employee file updates, has allowed for a 1 to 1 relationship between financial approvers in Concur and cost object approval.

The above updates have eliminated the former logic where ALL approvers on a fund center were sent into the system and Concur would route reports to the approver with the lowest UID.

When we went live with the system updates the E.FI.TRAVEL\_APPROVER role was automatically assigned based on current Concur workflow. If you would like to update the workflow for your area your DSA will need to do the following:

In the Security role request form on the DSA tab, where you search for roles, in the drop down selection '**Distributed FI Roles**' you should now see '**E.FI.TRAVEL\_APPROVER**'. If a travel approver is missing this role, you can request this.

Please note that the approver will also need the 6 digit change fund center role (Example: E.FIDA\_CHG\_FUND\_CENTER\_120202) along with the travel approver role

All Values: Distributed FI Roles	
Results List: 7 results found for Security Role Key	
Single Role	Short Description
E.FI_CASHIER_SUBMITTER	Cashier Submitter Decentralized
E.FI_GRANT_ADMIN	Grant Departmental Administrator
E.FI.DEPARTMENT_APPROVER	DEPARTMENT APPROVER - DECENTRALIZED
E.FI.DEPARTMENT_SUBMITTER	DEPARTMENT SUBMITTER- DECENTRALIZED
E.FI.DEPARTMENT_SUBMITTER-DISP	DEPARTMENT SUBMITTER-DISPLAY ONLY - DECENTRALIZED
E.FI.INTERNAL_SERVICE_REQUESTR	INTERNAL SERVICE REQUESTOR - DECENTRALIZED
E.FI.TRAVEL_APPROVER	Travel Approver for Concur

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This is also where the DSA would go to remove the role from someone who should not have it

This is an excellent opportunity to update the fund center/ cost object approvers for Travel in your areas if you had been having issues with the former system logic.

**\*\*\*Please Remember\*\*\*** If you are updating who has this role your DSA must first remove the E.FI.TRAVEL\_APPROVER from who currently has it and the new individual being assigned the role must already have the E.FIDA\_CHG\_FUND\_CENTER to the 6 digit level of the accounts you want them to approve travel on.

Best,

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