EmpowHR

Functionality
EmpowHR is a human capital management system that fully supports the achievement and effective delivery of the human capital goals of the President’s Management Agenda. EmpowHR is an integrated suite of commercial and Government applications that support all critical Human Resources (HR) components in a single enterprise system. It provides comprehensive employee information enabling Agencies to:

• Utilize a suite of HR core and non-core solutions.
• Provide more cost-effective and configurable workflow approval process.
• Allow Payroll/Personnel System (PPS) (data base of record) to EmpowHR data synchronization.
• Utilize EmpowHR history correction and incorporate history data loads.
• Provide streamlined processing and mass processing.
• Use Interface/Integration.
• Access full administrative reporting and tracking of all transaction workflow.

Advantages
• Allows the Agency to focus resources on important mission-related activities rather than time-consuming personnel office processing.
• Offers an advantageous environment where efficient and effective solutions can be quickly leveraged across the Federal enterprise.
• Table-driven environment affords rapid implementation of changing HR rules and practices.

• Features a robust COTS (Commercial off-the-shelf)-based front-end system utilizing Oracle/PeopleSoft’s pure Internet/Web-based architecture.
• Facilitates easy sharing of information between and among HR, payroll, financial management, and related functions.

Roles
HR professionals will use EmpowHR to enter all personnel actions, performance appraisals, awards, and employee addresses for accessions and payroll documents such as health benefits, bonds, and Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) contributions. Agencies determine what roles they will use when they implement EmpowHR. The roles most frequently used in EmpowHR are:

• Initiator
• Employee
• Manager
• Reviewer
• Approver
• HR Staff
• Workflow Administrator
• Security Administrator
Supported Browsers
EmpowHR is a Web-based application that can be accessed by logging in through a Web browser. As a USDA/NFC application, EmpowHR supports using:

- Internet Explorer 9 and above
- Chrome
- Safari
- Firefox

Security
Various processes are used to protect the integrity of the data, identity of the users, and eliminate the risk of outside penetration. EmpowHR automatically signs users off the application after a defined period of inactivity.

Request for Access
To access EmpowHR, you must have authorized security clearance. Users must request access through their Agency’s security officer.

Online Resources
Procedure manuals and associated material are available on the NFC Home Page (www.nfc.usda.gov). Select HR and Payroll Clients from the MyNFC drop-down menu. At the HR and Payroll Client page, select the Publications tab. Select Human Resources and Payroll Processing (HRPAY) and search for EmpowHR.