

FY26 Performance Management Cycle Timeline

The following timeline is a full performance management cycle timeline for all Montgomery County employees excluding *MLS*, *PLS* and *GSS* Longevity. The Performance Management Timeline is a guide to ensure creation, review, approval, and finalization of FY26 performance plans, evaluations and appraisals are completed timely and accurately for all County employees.

	Completed	Deadline	Action	Role
Phase 1: PLAN		Jul 1, 2025	OHR open performance plans in Oracle WPM	OHR WPM Plan Manager/Administrator
		Jul 1, 2025	Begin the creation of employees' performance plans for the fiscal year: goals, objectives and development plans	Supervisor Employee
		Aug 14, 2025	Confirm and establish employee performance plans: Non-Bargaining Unit (NBU) employees' plans in Oracle WPM and/or; Paper Performance Planning and Evaluation (PPE) forms for Bargaining Unit (BU) employees	Supervisor
		No later than 10 days after plan is established	Provide employee with a copy of the signed performance plan	Supervisor
		Sep 8, 2025	Generate Performance Plans and Appraisal Status Monitor Reports Ensure employee WPM performance plans and paper PPE forms are created	HR Liaison
		Ongoing	Provide and/or solicit feedback from your supervisor on your performance Discuss training and career development opportunities with your supervisor	Employee
			Conduct frequent performance coaching sessions throughout the year with your employees	Supervisor
Phase 2: DEVELOP		Jan 30, 2026	Schedule, conduct and document mid-year progress discussions with employees	Supervisor
			Document, sign and date mid-year progress discussion forms (electronic appraisals are date-stamped when routed)	Employee
		Ongoing	Provide and/or solicit feedback from your supervisor on your performance Discuss training and career development opportunities with your supervisor	Employee
			Conduct frequent performance coaching sessions throughout the year with your employees	Supervisor
Phase 3: EVALUATE		June 5, 2026	Document and provide performance accomplishments to your supervisor on your online appraisal or paper PPE form	Employee
		*June 30, 2026	Enter performance appraisal ratings and comments online (WPM) and paper (PPE) Share and gain final approval from Reviewing Official Employee enters final overall rating comments (optional) in Oracle WPM or paper PPE form	Supervisor Reviewing Official Employee
		**August 21, 2026	Finalize (with signature and/or electronic date stamp) all performance evaluations.	Supervisor Employee Reviewing Official
		***August 28, 2026	Generate Performance Planning and Appraisal Status Monitor reports Ensure all employee evaluations are completed in WPM and on paper PPE forms Submit paper PPE forms to Core HR/Records Management EOB 12th Floor via the department HRL SharePoint Process	HR Liaison

NOTES:

- *Supervisors must send online performance evaluations to employee for final overall rating comments <u>before</u> sending evaluations electronically to Reviewing Officials for final approval.
- **Performance plans/evaluations are completed when the Reviewing Official finalizes in the system or signs the paper performance evaluation forms.
- ***HR Liaisons should generate, save, and provide copies of the finalized appraisals to employees and the supervisors.

WPM Tools and Resources

- Visit Performance Management Resources for available online resources including timelines, forms, policies and procedures, and quidelines.
- Revised and new WPM job aids, by employee type, are located in the Other Resource Materials section. Click on the applicable section based on your role.

Questions

- Your department HR Liaison is your first point of contact for performance management questions.
- If you have additional questions, please contact the Performance Management team at Performance.Matters@montgomerycountymd.gov.