As part of our ongoing efforts to improve the efficiency and accuracy of our fiscal operations, we are excited to announce several enhancements to our procurement and payment processes. These changes are designed to address common challenges and streamline the workflow, ensuring that departments have the tools they need to manage their financial responsibilities effectively.

1. **New Blink Page: Alternatives to Out-Of-Pocket Expenses**

   The blink page is a valuable resource for tracking and managing expenses. To help our users navigate this resource more effectively, we have added a new section titled "Tips & Tricks." This section offers insights and best practices for maximizing the utility of the Blink page.

2. **Delegates and Requisitions**

   Previously, only the person submitting the Concur Request was responsible for any expenses incurred by the new employee. However, we have introduced a new feature that allows Delegates to claim expenses for the new employee. This change streamlines the process and reduces duplication of effort.

3. **Validation Errors for POs**

   When using the POETAF, PO Requisitioners and Concur transactors can now resolve the most common validation errors. This change is particularly useful when preparing new POs or updating existing ones, ensuring a smoother submission process.

4. **New Blink Page: GL Expense Intra-Transfer**

   Intra-Transfer is a crucial aspect of our financial reporting system. We have added a new feature to the Blink page that allows users to request and review transfers of costs within the General Ledger. This tool is essential for managing the flow of funds accurately and efficiently.

5. **Budget & Finance Weekly Digest**

   Our weekly digest is a key resource for staying informed about the latest changes and updates to our fiscal processes. It is now available for subscription, providing users with timely updates directly to their inbox.

6. **Oracle Procurement Reimbursements**

   The Concur team has updated the Oracle Procurement Reimbursements KBA. This update is a crucial step in ensuring our users have the most up-to-date information on how to handle reimbursements when using Oracle Procurement.

7. **BFS Teams**

   Our BFS teams are working hard to ensure that all costs are accurately transferred to their respective projects. They are focusing on minimizing cost transfers in the future and are committed to working closely with departments to achieve this goal.

8. **UCPath Funding**

   To optimize the use of UCPath funding, BFS teams are ensuring that all transactions are accurately recorded and billed. This includes providing guidance on how to correct any mistakes or discrepancies that may arise.

9. **Task to Project Update**

   In response to feedback from frontline fiscal and fund managers, we have implemented a new feature that allows users to update tasks to projects. This change improves the efficiency of our financial reporting processes.

10. **Unidentified Unclaimed Payments**

    To ensure that all payments are properly identified and claimed, our teams are working to finalize all expenses and lift all committed costs. This is particularly important in the closing period, where accurate payment is crucial.

11. **Budget & Finance Closing Office Hours**

    Our closing office hours are an important opportunity for departments to receive guidance on how to prepare for the closing period. Departments are encouraged to attend both office hours to ensure they have a comprehensive understanding of the upcoming changes.

12. **Announcements**

    - **New Blink Page: Alternatives to Out-Of-Pocket Expenses**
    - **Delegates and Requisitions**
    - **New Blink Page: GL Expense Intra-Transfer**
    - **Oracle Procurement Reimbursements**
    - **BFS Teams**
    - **UCPath Funding**
    - **Task to Project Update**
    - **Unidentified Unclaimed Payments**
    - **Budget & Finance Closing Office Hours**

These changes are part of our ongoing commitment to improving our fiscal processes and ensuring that our users have access to the tools they need to succeed. We encourage all departments to take advantage of these new features and to provide feedback on how we can continue to enhance our services.