

Proc case delivers a financial consolidation solution for Government of Ontario

Ontario Government Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities

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Industry: Government



Client Overview

The Ontario Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities (MTCU) is responsible for the administration of laws relating to education and skills training for universities and colleges of applied arts and technology. It is also responsible for developing policy directions for adult education and labour market training.

Client Objectives

The Ministry of Finance acted on recommendations from the Public Sector Accounting Board to include organizations such as colleges, hospitals and school boards in the province's financial statements. The Colleges Branch (CB) within the (MTCU) is responsible for collecting the information required by Ministry of Finance to do the financial consolidation of the college sector. The Colleges Branch was looking for ways to complete this requirement in a robust and cost effective manner. After careful evaluation, MTCU had selected Proc case to be its solutions vendor.

Proc case Contribution

Proc case had previously developed the Ontario Showcase Award winning "Education Finance Information System" (EFIS) application (Link to EFIS story) for the Ministry of Education. Proc case was able to take full advantage of the generic design of the EFIS application and development best practices, and adapt it to the College Branches needs.

Proc case re-implemented the EFIS application, with modifications to accommodate the College Branch and Ministry of Finance needs. The new application "College Finance Information System" or CFIS 2.0 was successfully launched in 2006. Both applications share the unique ability to allow business rules modifications by non-technical Ministry staff, as well as reusing a significant portion of the code base.

The CFIS 2.0 application was re-implemented at approximately 40% of the cost of the original EFIS development, validating the significant advantages of reusing common components. CFIS 2.0 has also proven to be an excellent platform for further enhancements to meet future planned requirements from the Ministry of Finance. Ongoing developments are expected to significantly enhance capabilities well beyond the initial plans.

Technology

Oracle database, Microsoft .Net and Microsoft Windows

Results

Proc case offered a solution that enabled the Ontario Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities to meet the accounting requirements of the Ministry of Finance with a proven application, quick implementation, and in a very cost effective manner.

MTCU benefits from the enhanced information of CFIS 2.0 while the Ministry of Finance is able to consolidate the College sector finances into the Provincial accounting system in an and efficient manner.