

## Announcement

**TO:** GeorgiaFIRST PeopleSoft Financials Users

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**SUBJECT:** Revised: 2016 Per Diem Updates for Travel & Expense Module and New One-Line Meal Per Diem Expense Types

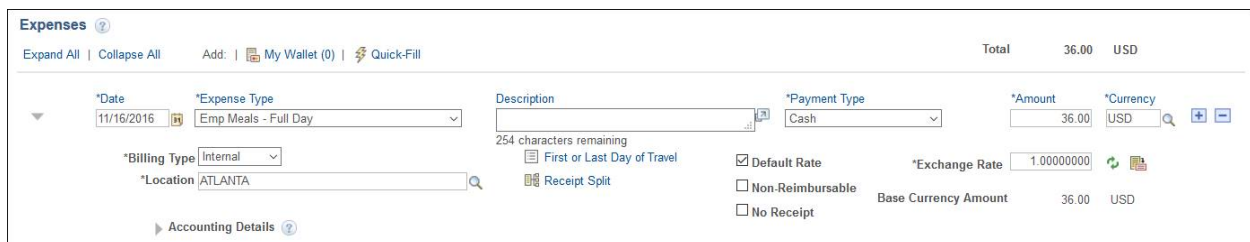
**The new Full Day Expense Types have an effective date of 11/21/16 and will not populate per diem amounts for dates prior to 11/21/16.**

**Any meal expenses dated prior to 11/21/16 should be entered as Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner to allow the per diem amount to automatically populate.**

This announcement is to notify institutions that are currently using GeorgiaFIRST Financials Travel & Expenses module of updated per diem rates (CONUS/OCONUS) for all locations that will be included with Release 5.20. The updated rates will be available in production Monday, November 21, 2016, and will have an effective date of 11/21/2016. The per diem updates will reflect the GSA rates that were released October 1, 2016.

New **Expense Types** are also being delivered with Release 5.20 to make entering meals quicker and easier. Selecting one of the following expense types will populate the line with the full days per diem:

- Emp Meals – Full Day
- Interntl Emp Meals – Full Day
- Recruiting Emp Meals – Full Day



The screenshot shows the 'Expenses' form in PeopleSoft. At the top right, it displays 'Total 36.00 USD'. The main form area contains the following fields and options:

- \*Date:** 11/16/2016
- \*Expense Type:** Emp Meals - Full Day
- Description:** (Empty field with a note '254 characters remaining')
- \*Payment Type:** Cash
- \*Amount:** 36.00
- \*Currency:** USD
- \*Billing Type:** Internal
- \*Location:** ATLANTA
- \*Exchange Rate:** 1.00000000
- Base Currency Amount:** 36.00 USD
- Options:**
  - First or Last Day of Travel
  - Default Rate
  - Non-Reimbursable
  - No Receipt
  - Receipt Split

The ability to apply the **First or Last Day of Travel** deduction to adjust the line amount to 75% will be present as it is on existing meal expense types.

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