**Introduction**

By design, Strategic Planning and Risk Appetite are continuing to further integrate to ensure alignment between the two. Risk Appetite establishes the triggers and limits expected to act as boundaries in which to operate as you build your plans. With any plan, it is expected some of these thresholds will come into question. If thresholds are exceeded, these will need to be discussed, and determined whether our strategic direction, as demonstrated through our qualitative and quantitative thresholds, requires realignment.

For the 2016 P19 planning cycle, there are two requirements relative to RAS integration. These are a requirement to your planning being considered completed.

* **Qualitative Statements & Quantitative Thresholds Review**
  + Please review your current (and proposed) qualitative statements and quantitative RAS metrics (see attachment). You will need to note:
    - Whether you are in line or fall outside of your qualitative statements
    - Identify any expected impact to SHUSA and/or your RAS metrics, potential breaches of your triggers and limits, and reasoning
    - Document Key risks and considerations. We’ve listed several questions for you to consider. Please provide any relevant impacts based on applicable questions, as well as provide any additional considerations we did not list that are important.
* **Test Plans Against RAS**
  + You will need to quantitatively test your plans against the RAS and determine any impacts/ triggers/ breaches. You might not have developed a full methodology for this and there is not yet a standardized format. Please let us know if you have any concerns on how you will test your plans.