Project Title: UC Away

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Project Description:
The University of California provides insurance coverage for a broad range of accidents and incidents for faculty, staff and students traveling on university business. The coverage includes medical care and evacuation, loss of personal property and extraction for political and weather related reasons and provides for the extension of much of this coverage to the spouse/domestic partner and dependent(s) of the UC traveler. UC Away allows travelers to register UC-related travel for trip insurance and provides customized trip-planning information as well as travel insurance ID cards. UC Away was developed between June and August of 2015 and was deployed to production on Sept. 15, 2015.

How It Works:
UC Away is a web application where UC faculty, staff and students can register work-based travel for insurance coverage and print insurance ID cards. The application uses a modern wizard-type user interface to quickly and easily step a user through the process of entering their travel itinerary and participant information.

Utilizing campus Single Sign On authentication for security, the user logs into UC Away and selects whether the trip has multiple stops, is standard round trip travel, or is one way (for researchers and staff with undetermined returns from the field). Users then select the airport closest to the travel destination and the Let's Go! button.
Next they are guided to enter the origination location of their trip, the mode of travel (Air, Rail or Road) and the dates of travel.
The application then prompts the user to enter information about other travelers, including their function on the trip.

**Figure 3: Add trip participants**

Lastly, they are prompted to complete some information about themselves as the primary traveler, or can enter information for the primary traveler if they are completing the form on someone else’s behalf.

**Figure 4: Create trip as traveler’s delegate**
After submitting their travel plans they are directed to a page which contains a printable insurance ID card as well as information about the benefits of the travel coverage, including access to Worldcue TRAVELER. Behind the scenes, UC Away transmits the user’s data to iJet, the coverage provider, by xml feed. Within minutes the user receives a welcome email from Worldcue with detailed travel-related information about their destination.

Figure 5: Thank You page with coverage and benefits information
Efficiencies

UC Away replaces a legacy feature that did not require authentication. It is integrated with other UC Safety suite products such as the Laboratory Hazard Assessment Tool (LHAT), Radiation, Safety Inspection Tool (SIT) and many others, to provide researchers and other users with a one-stop approach to job administration. It also provides UCOP and campus risk managers with in-app reporting features that can be used to identify scheduled travel for campus associates for use in emergency situations.

UC Away has had over 12,000 trips registered in the seven months since its production deployment.

![Trip Reports](image)

*Figure 6: Administrator Report Page*

Partnerships

UC Away was created in collaboration with iJet/Worldcue, the coverage provider for the University of California and utilizes an xml feed for the transmission of data collected in the application.

Technology Used

UC Away was developed using Agile methodology, which is based upon short iterations of work with ongoing user feedback. This process ensures that the most important aspects of a product are prioritized and developed in order, eliminating wasted development time on unnecessary features. UC Away is in continual development and continues to benefit from end users’ suggestions for enhancements and improvements. The technology utilized is a MySQL database with Java 8 and Spring on the server side with Angular JS for dynamic web application design and Bootstrap for compatibility with mobile devices.

Relevant URLs

UC Away can be viewed at [https://ehs.ucop.edu/away-stage/#/](https://ehs.ucop.edu/away-stage/#/), using your campus Single Sign On credentials for authentication.