Problems with Sextant

- I can see it, but nothing works
- My spreadsheet stops and saves periodically

If you open Sextant, but nothing is working, your security settings in Excel need to be changed. To do this:

In Excel97:

Select Tools – Options – General tab. Check Macro virus protection. This will bring up the dialog box above when you open the excel file. If this is unchecked, all macros are allowed (you are not protected from potentially unsafe macros).

In Excel2000 and Excel2002 (in OfficeXP):

Go to Tools – Macro – Security and then click Medium or Low. The Medium setting will ensure you are prompted when opening a file with macros and Low will enable all macros. If you change the setting to Medium, you will see this popup. If the setting is on High – macros are disabled.



Each Worksheet (where appropriate), including this one, has a blue command button in the extreme upper

Click Security ... then Medium



Close Excel and reopen excel and the new settings will be in effect.

When you open Sextant now you will see this:

Microsoft Excel	? ×	
W:\Medicaid Processes\Nursing Homes\ECostReport\CostReportEntryMaster.xls contains macros.		
Macros may contain viruses. It is always safe to disable macros, but if t macros are legitimate, you might lose some functionality.	he	Click Here
Disable Macros Enable Macros More Info		

Please Enable Macros – this will enable the schedules to be created from user input. We guarantee that the macros used do not contain viruses.

My spreadsheet stops and saves periodically

Disable AutoSave or increase the amount of minutes between saves. In Office97 and Office2000 if AutoSave is not found under the Tools Menu item it is already disabled. In OfficeXP AutoSave is found under Tools – Options. Disable AutoSave here. Disabling AutoSave or increasing the time between AutoSaves will improve the performance of the application because the AutoSave momentarily uses all of the computers resources while it saves.