

Rhode Island PTAC



Update your Company Profile

Spring is a good time to take a few minutes to update your company profile in your PTAC record. Update not only basic contact and company information but also be sure to fill in and update any certifications you may have. Important areas to fill in include:

- Product or Service Description
- NAICS Code
- Company Veteran Status
- Disadvantage Status

We have recently added a new field, "SAM Expiration Date". We have noticed our clients are often unaware that their SAM registration is approaching expiration until after the fact. By filling out this field, we are able to remind you to update before your registration expires.

To update your profile: <https://riptac.ecenterdirect.com/>. If you have forgotten your password and are unable to retrieve it through the Forgot Password function, please contact your PTAC counselor.

Finding Agency Forecasts

Did you know that many agencies post their forecasts right on their website?

- To search agencies under the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) use, <http://apfs.dhs.gov/forecast/>.
- To view upcoming needs for the Department of Defense(DOD), search the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) Supplier Requirements Visibility Application(SRVA) (note you must have a DIBBS account to view this.)

In addition to these many other agencies will list their forecasts under titles like "Forecasting", "Acquisition Forecast" Contracting Opportunities", etc. The easiest way is usually to visit an agency's home page and complete a search for either "forecast" or small business". Many agency websites also list their small business representative point of contact who can assist in directing you to the command or department that buys your goods or services.

Not ready to do business directly with an agency? There are many large Prime Contractors who still need small businesses as part of their supply chain. DHS includes a link to the large primes who need small businesses. [This link](#) not only tells you who the primes are but also lists what products or services they are looking for.

Your PTAC counselor can assist you in finding agency contacts, don't hesitate to reach out!

Teaming and Joint Ventures Seminar

Come to our seminar to learn the differences between subcontracting, teaming, and forming a joint venture. Our presenter, Stephen Ucci, attorney at Adler, Pollack, and Sheehan will go over the legal considerations for each and which, if any, is the best fit for your business.

To register: <https://riptac.ecenterdirect.com/events>

SAM Registration Update

The System for Award Management (SAM) is in the midst of investigating third party fraudulent activity. Affected entities are currently being contacted by the General Services Administration (GSA).

In response to this fraudulent activity, GSA is requiring all new SAM registrations to include an original, signed notarized letter identifying the authorized Entity Administrator for the entity associated with the DUNS number before a new SAM.gov entity registration will be activated.

In addition to new registrations, those entities who have changed their financial information within the last year may also be affected. To read more, [visit GSA's website](#).

If you have any questions, please contact your PTAC counselor.

Second Annual Diversity Business Enterprise Forum

The Office of Diversity, Equity and Opportunity (ODEO) is pleased to announce that registration is now open for the 2nd Annual Diversity Business Enterprise Forum. The link for registration is as follows: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/state-of-rhode-island-2nd-annual-diversity-business-enterprise-forum-tickets-44484824307>.

This year's event will take place on Tuesday, April 17, 2018, from 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. at The VETS, 1 Avenue of the Arts, Providence, RI.

In addition to The Procurement Exchange, which provides an opportunity for diverse businesses to network face-to-face with procurement officials from state agencies, quasi-state agencies, and prime vendors, ODEO will be hosting a number of workshops on such topics as Prevailing Wage, Occupational Safety, Professional Licensing, Apprenticeship, Misclassification of Employees, Labor Standards, Financing Your Business, and How To Do Business with the State of Rhode Island. Please note that this event is free and open to the public, but pre-registration is required as space is limited.

DLA Land and Maritime Training Opportunities

The Defense Logistics Agency Land & Maritime regularly holds training sessions both in person and online. Upcoming webinars include:

- 4/10/18 - **DIBBS Solicitations**
- 4/27/18 - **DIBBS Quoting**

For more information and registration, please visit www.tko.dla.mil and select "Land and Maritime" from the drop-down. DLA also hosts a number of industry focused events. Scheduled events include:

- **Supplier Industry Day** at DLA Aviation, Richmond, VA, May 15-16, 2018
- **Supplier Conference and Exposition** at DLA Land & Maritime, Columbus, OH, June 19-20, 2018.
- **Industry Day** at DLA Enterprise, Fort Belvoir, VA, September 19, 2018
- **Clothing & Textile's Joint Advanced Planning Brief for Industry (JAPBI)** at DLA Troop Support, Philadelphia, PA, Date TBD
- **Training, Outreach, and Networking Event** with DLA Office of Small Business Programs, Arlington, VA, Date TBD

Updates and further details of these events will be posted on the [DLA Website](#).

2018 Ocean State Construction & Equipment Showcase

If you are in the construction industry the Ocean State Construction & Equipment Show is a must attend! It is a free event that showcases the latest in tools, equipment, materials & services. There will also be seminars and demonstrations. The event will be held at the Crowne Plaza, Warwick on May 30, 2018 from 9:00 a.m - 3:00 p.m. Mark it on your calendar and register now at www.RIPWA.org.

Registration Open for the 15th Biennial NUWC Industry Day

The Naval Undersea Warfare Center Division Newport(NUWC DIVNPT) will be holding their biennial industry day event over the course of two days at the Atlantic Resort in Middletown, RI on May 29 and May 30.

Tuesday, May 29th schedule will include:

- The Semi Annual Seaport-e Council meeting with NUWC DIVNPT contracts
- A reverse industry day which will focus on SECNAV's "Fast and Frugal" and call for "...a clear line of sight into our needs..."for industry.

Wednesday May 30th will feature:

- A synopsis of how NUWC is structured and their acquisition responsibilities
- A forward look projection and discussion of specific needs by each NUWC DIVNPT Department

Registration information is available at <http://ncma-ri.org/industry-days-2018/>.

Upcoming Events and Workshops

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