Web Resources

Buyer Contracts Course Overview

The Buyer Contracts Course provides critical resources that support learners’ success both inside the virtual classroom and in their day-to-day work as new Buyers. This document provides an overview of online resources Buyers can access to support their work.

GENERAL RESOURCES

1. Federal Acquisition Regulation
   https://www.acquisition.gov/?q=browsefar
   Use for: Navigating the most recent version of the FAR and downloading a copy of the full FAR document.

2. NBS Acquisition Portal:
   https://mynbs.nih.gov [select the top tab “NBS Acquisition”]
   Use for: Accessing a wealth of resources – including job navigation guides (“NAVs”), system access links, and Help Desk support – organized for the Acquisition community by the NIH Business System.

3. HHS Acquisition Planning Resources
   http://intranet.hhs.gov/abouthhs/contracts-grants-support/index.html
   Use for: Exploring policies, guidance, and support information for HHS contracts.

4. Virtual Acquisition Office
   https://www.gotovao.com/
   Use for: Accessing resources and support materials for acquisition activities across the Federal Government.
1. Federal Business Opportunities ("FedBizOpps.gov")
   https://www.fbo.gov/
   Use for: Posting and managing award opportunities.

2. Federal Procurement Data System – Next Generation ("FPDS-NG")
   https://www.fpds.gov/
   Use for: Navigating the central repository for United States government-wide procurement data.

3. Departmental Contracts Information System
   https://dcis.hhs.gov/
   Use for: Entering the Health and Human Services (HHS) system that collects, tracks, reports, and transmits contract data.

4. System for Award Management
   https://www.sam.gov/
   Use for: Accessing the system in which Buyers can verify that vendors are active and registered in SAM.

5. North American Industry Classification System ("NAICS Code")
   http://www.census.gov/eos/www/naics/
   Use for: Searching for NAICS codes within the current and past versions of the NAICS Manual.

6. nVision ACQ47 Report
   https://mynbs.nih.gov [select the top tab “NBS Acquisition,” locate the “nVision” portlet]
   Use for: Launching the nightly report that can be used to identify lines that have an open balance and can be deobligated.