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New Contracting Curriculum Changes to FAC-C Training ****REMOVED****



The article entitled *New Contracting Curriculum: Changes to FAC-C Training* that appeared in this month's FSS e-newsletter has been removed and will be addressed in the future. Please contact the FSS helpdesk at helpdesk.ammhinfss@va.gov if you have any questions or concerns.

Training Topic

VA Denver Acquisition & Logistics Center (DALC)

1) **What is the DALC?**

VA [DALC](#) was originally established in 1952 as the Prosthetic Distribution Center, which was a central warehousing and distribution point for certain prosthetic items. Today, DALC maintains its original functions, provides cradle-to-grave supply chain management for the VA National Hearing Aid Program, and supports VA and other Government agencies with professional acquisition and logistical services.

2) **How does DALC relate to FSS/NAC?**

Organizationally, DALC is aligned under the Executive Director of the NAC within the [Office of Acquisition and Logistics](#).

3) **What type of commodities does DALC manage?**

Commodities managed by DALC include hearing aids, hearing aid accessories, cochlear implants, assistive devices, batteries, prosthetic socks, orthotic soft-goods, and aids for the visually impaired. DALC also manages VA's only hearing aid repair program. DALC serves over 1.4 million individual veterans with products and hearing aid repair services, and provides stock commodities to all VA Medical Centers and approximately 36 Department of Defense (DoD) medical facilities. During FY 2010, DALC received 1.7 million orders for over 47 million items and hearing aid repair services.

4) **How are products purchased from the DALC?**

Due to the large volume of orders for hearing aids and hearing aid repairs, DALC developed and implemented the [Remote Order Entry System](#) (ROES), an online ordering system deployed nationally. VA staff uses ROES to place orders for items available from DALC for direct delivery to the veteran or to the clinic. Once a clinician has authorized a veteran to receive a particular item, the veteran is able to reorder product(s) when supplies have been exhausted. Direct delivery allows a veteran to order and receive items without going to a medical center.

DoD staff can also use ROES to order hearing aids and contribute patient data to the centralized database maintained by DALC, which allows a seamless transition of hearing health information for veterans moving from active duty to VA care. A secure, online version of ROES is available for veterans to use if replacement batteries or prosthetic socks are needed. DALC also maintains the VA national repository for veteran audiograms. Over 1.6 million audiometric records are on file for clinical access and research purposes.

For additional information, please contact DALC at (303)914-5145 and/or DALC.CSS@VA.Gov.

- [View DALC Product Catalog](#)

News You Can Use

VA FSS in Action

As discussed at the recent NAC Industry Conference, the FSS Service will be moving to fully integrate the cradle-to-closeout model. We have already implemented the model on a smaller scale. All offer and extension proposals received since December 2010 have a set Contract Specialist assignment that will follow through closeout and include any administrative actions. Beginning early in calendar year 2011, we established set assignments for FSS contracts with a steady, high volume of administrative actions. We are continuing the formation of our plan to integrate set assignments for the remaining pending items and existing contracts, and we will be looking to begin implementation in June of 2011. More information will be coming soon.

Don't forget that we are already in the planning stages for our next conference event. If you have any suggestions or comments that you want to share, please send them to PMRS@Va.Gov. In addition, VA will also be hosting another Supplier Transformation Meeting, which is scheduled for October 2011. Please be sure to review the [NAC's website](#) for additional information on the specific details of the forum.

If you are experiencing any problems, please do not hesitate to contact Carole O'Brien, Director of the FSS Service, at (708)786-4957 and/or Carole.O'Brien@va.gov or Craig Robinson, Executive Director of the VA National Acquisition Center, at (708)786-5157 and/or Craig.Robinson@va.gov.

Thank you for your continued support, as we move through the next upgrade. Have a great month!!!

65IIA Solicitation Updated

The 65IIA Medical Equipment & Supplies FSS solicitation has been updated! The new solicitation (RFP-797-FSS-99-0025-R7) is available for download via [FedBizOpps](#). We will continue to accept proposals submitted using the previous solicitation format (RFP-797-FSS-99-0025-R6) until July 22, 2011. After this date, all proposals submitted under the old solicitation package will be returned without further consideration."

FAPIS Open to Public

On April 15, 2011, the General Services Administration (GSA) launched the public version of the [Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information System](#) (FAPIS), which makes information that was previously only available to the federal acquisition community accessible to the general public. FAPIS is a centralized database that consolidates information on the integrity and performance of contractors across the federal Government. All information related to a contractor's integrity and performance (excluding past performance reviews) that was posted in the database on or after April 15, 2011 is now viewable by the public. In order to obtain any information predating April 15, 2011, a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request is required.

Upcoming Events

VA NAC FSS Calendar

- Please review the [FSS Calendar of Events](#)

National News

Recent Emergency & Disaster Declarations

Under the [Disaster Recovery Program](#), state and local Governments may purchase products/services off of FSS contracts in order to facilitate the recovery from a major disaster. As such, there were [thirty nine declarations](#) by President Obama during the previous month, April 2011, which can be seen below.

MAJOR DISASTER DECLARATIONS

Number	Date	State	Disaster Type	Designated Counties
1966	4/05	WI	Severe Winter Storm	
1967	4/08	HI	Tsunami Waves	
1968	4/18	CA	Tsunami Waves	
1969	4/19	NC	Tornadoes & Severe Flooding	
1970	4/22	OK	Tornadoes & Severe Storms	
1971	4/28	AL	Tornadoes	
1972	4/29	MS	Tornadoes	
1973	4/29	GA	Tornadoes	

EMERGENCY DECLARATIONS

Number	Date	State	Disaster Type	Designated Counties
3318	4/07	ND	Flooding	
3319	4/27	AL	Tornadoes	

FIRE MANAGEMENT DECLARATIONS

Number	Date	State	Incident
2877	4/03	CO	Crystal Fire
2878	4/03	KS	Haskell County Fire
2879	4/03	OK	Guymon Fire
2880	4/03	NM	White Fire
2881	4/03	TX	Bates Field Fire
2882	4/05	TX	El Cenizo Fire
2883	4/06	OK	Jones-Spencer Fire
2884	4/09	TX	Swenson Fire
2885	4/09	TX	Rockhouse Fire
2886	4/09	TX	Hickman Fire
2887	4/10	OK	Cleveland Fire
2888	4/15	TX	PK West Fire
2889	4/15	TX	Cooper Mountain Ranch Fire
2890	4/15	OK	Goodyear Plant Fire
2891	4/15	TX	Wichita Fire Complex
2892	4/15	TX	Wildcat Fire
2893	4/16	TX	Hohertz Fire
2894	4/16	TX	East Sidwynicks Fire
2895	4/16	TX	PK East Fire
2896	4/17	TX	Bryson Fire Complex
2897	4/17	NM	Tire Fire
2898	4/17	TX	Pinnacle Fire
2899	4/22	TX	148/2332 Fire
2900	4/22	NE	Theford Fire
2901	4/27	TX	Pleasant Farms Fire
2902	4/27	FL	Slope Fire
2903	4/29	TX	Oasis Pipeline Fire
2904	4/30	TX	Waggoner Ranch Fire
2905	4/30	TX	Sisk Road Fire

- [Disaster Recovery Program FAQs](#)

Recently Awarded FSS Contracts (April 2011)

Pharmaceutical, Dental, Patient Mobility, & X-Ray Contracts:

- Medical Nutrition USA, Inc.: V797P-5242B (Large Pharmaceutical Business)
- TrillaMed, LLC.: V797P-5243B (Small Disadvantaged, Veteran Owned Pharmaceutical Business)
- Focus Medical & Dental Products, Inc.: V797P-3237M (Small Disabled Veteran Owned Dental Business)
- Radman Radiological: V797P-3239M (Small Disadvantaged, Veteran Owned X-Ray Business)

Medical/Surgical Equipment Contracts:

- New Mexico CPM, Inc.: V797P-4427B (Small Woman Owned Med/Surg Business)
- Crestpoint Management LTD: V797P-4438B (Small Woman Owned Med/Surg Business)
- National Biological Corporation: V797P-4440B (Small Med/Surg Business)
- W.A. Baum Co.: V797P-4429B (Small Veteran Owned Med/Surg Business)
- Complete Solutions Technologies DBA Ergo Logistics: V797P-4424B (Small Med/Surg Business)
- International Global Enterprises, Inc.: V797P-4431B (Small Disadvantaged, 8(A) Med/Surg Business)
- Nihon Kohden America: V797P-4439B (Large Med/Surg Business)
- Althea's Footwear Solutions, Inc.: V797P-4418B (Small Woman Owned Med/Surg Business)
- Performance Medical Supply: V797P-4421B (Large Med/Surg Business)
- Therapy Support, Inc.: V797P-4419B (Small Med/Surg Business)
- Veterans Medical Distributors, Inc.: V797P-4432B (Small Veteran Owned Med/Surg Business)
- Rochester Medical Corporation: V797P-4425B (Small Med/Surg Business)
- US1 Supply, Inc.: V797P-4436B (Small Disadvantaged, Disabled Veteran Owned Med/Surg Business)
- Precision Orthotic Lab of NJ, Inc.: V797P-4404B (Large Med/Surg Business)
- Clinical Choice, LLC.: V797P-4420B (Small Med/Surg Business)
- Phamajet, Inc.: V797P-4422B (Small Med/Surg Business)
- Hill-Rom Company, Inc.: V797P-4434B (Large Med/Surg Business)
- Hutchins & Hutchins, Inc.: V797P-4433B (Small Woman Owned Med/Surg Business)
- Relda, LLC. DBA Dermatec Direct: V797P-4426B (Small Med/Surg Business)
- BTE Technologies, Inc.: V797P-4408B (Large Med/Surg Business)
- KLM Laboratories, Inc.: V797P-4409B (Small Med/Surg Business)
- North American Rescue, LLC.: V797P-4416B (Large Med/Surg Business)
- ZMED Services, Inc.: V797P-4428B (Small Disadvantaged, 8(A) Med/Surg Business)

Medical Professional & Laboratory Testing Services & Cost-Per-Test Contracts:

- Nurses On Call, Inc.: V797P-7338A (Small Woman Owned Professional Medical Healthcare Services Business)
- The Competitive Edge II, LLC. DBA Alliance Medical & Home: V797P-7339A (Small Woman Owned Professional Medical Healthcare Services Business)
- R.Ph.S, Inc.: V797P-7341A (Small Woman Owned, HubZone Professional Medical Healthcare Services Business)
- The Nurse Agency: V797P-7343A (Small Woman Owned Professional Medical Healthcare Services Business)
- Stat Staff Professionals, Inc.: V797P-7344A (Small Professional Medical Healthcare Services Business)
- Medical Staffing Solutions, Inc.: V797P-7345A (Small Woman Owned Professional Medical Healthcare Services Business)
- BTL Technologies, Inc.: V797P-7346A (Small Disadvantaged, 8(A), Disabled Veteran Owned Professional Medical Healthcare Services Business)
- Pro Med Healthcare Services, LLC.: V797P-7342A (Small Professional Medical Healthcare Services Business)
- JM Temporary Services DBA JM Staffing: V797P-7340A (Small Disadvantaged, Woman Owned Professional Medical Healthcare Services Business)
- PRS, Inc. DBA PRS Pharmacy Services: V797P-7337A (Small Professional Medical Healthcare Services Business)
- CareerStaff Unlimited, Inc.: V797P-7336A (Large Professional Medical Healthcare Services Business)
- Roche Diagnostics Corporation: V797P-7347A (Large Cost-per-Test Business)
- Abbott Laboratories, Inc. (Abbott Molecular Division): V797P-7323A (Large Cost-per-Test Business)

In order to obtain pricing information for all of the companies referenced above or any other FSS contractor, please review the [NAC Contract Catalog Search Tool \(CCST\)](#) or [GSA E-Library](#). If you have any questions/concerns or would like to learn more about a specific topic and/or issue, please feel free to contact the FSS helpdesk by phone at (708)786-7737 and/or by e-mail at helpdesk.ammhinfss@va.gov.