



US Army Public Health Command

Thanks for your interest in our Green Procurement Training!

What is Green Procurement? Green Procurement (GP) is the purchase of goods and services that benefit the environment and/or human health. GP includes programs mandated by federal regulations, such as affirmative procurement of designated recycled and biobased products, energy efficiency, and environmentally preferable purchasing. However, we have a long way to go in implementing these purchasing programs, partly because of a lack of awareness. The overall objective of our training is for participants to become familiar with GP requirements and have the knowledge and tools to fully and efficiently implement GP.

Why USAPHC? We conduct compliance assessments and GP audits, perform solid waste/recycling consultations, and develop facility plans for GP, solid waste, and electronics stewardship. We have visited Army installations (and other DOD facilities) of all sizes and missions, and are in touch with base operations and procurement programs. Our lead trainers, Pat Rippey and Beth Martin, won the 2001 White House Closing the Circle Award for education and outreach. Later they teamed up with the White House Task Force on Waste Prevention and Recycling to provide train-the-trainer GP instruction to federal agency personnel. They worked closely with DOD officials to develop the DOD-wide GPP strategy, and are members of the DOD Green Procurement Work Group, the DOD Combined Services Solid Waste/Recycling Work Group, and the Federal Electronics Stewardship Working Group. They also authored the Army Green Procurement Guide.

Our GP Training. We think there's value in face-to-face training. It allows us to interact, answer questions, and show green products to the participants, including construction materials, office products, even tableware! Our training covers the following topics:

- Green Procurement Attributes: recycled content, biobased, energy efficient, green electronics, and others
- DOD GP Policy – and specific policies pertaining to your facility
- Regulatory Background (RCRA, Executive Orders, FAR) – what are the requirements?
- EPA Inspections – what they will be looking for, how you can be ready
- How to Incorporate GP into Contracts – including a practical exercise and review of case studies
- Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines (CPGs) and Recovered Material Advisory Notices (RMANs) – including a practical exercise to emphasize what products we are required to buy, and to what standards
- Starting a Facility-Wide GP program
- How to Buy Green – where to find green products, how to order from government sources, how to understand product labels
- How Green Purchasing is Tracked And Reported

Who Should Attend? It is important that GP training reach the widest audience possible. However, we try to tailor the training to specific audiences, so the training is divided into modules. Purchase card holders need limited information about the products they buy; contracting specialists need to know about the FAR. Key players are contracting officers, procurement specialists, developers/reviewers of contract specifications, CORs, purchase card buyers, and approving officials. This will include personnel from environmental, logistics, public works, information technology, and acquisition.

Cost. The cost of the training is based on the number of sessions and our labor and travel costs. A typical full-day class may range from \$6K to \$10K, depending on the number of sessions and instructors. The cost includes training materials provided to attendees. Contact us for an estimate!

Training Location. We'll come to you! A classroom, small auditorium, or large conference room may be used to conduct the training.

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