



Federal Grants Streamlining Initiative

Training & Certification Work Group

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Issue: Align training and certification requirements across the government which will enable us to:

- Enhance the consistency and accuracy of the implementation of all grants policy/operations
- Increase transparency in government programs
- Enhance consistency of practices to implement P.L. 106-107, Grants.gov, and Grants Management Line of Business streamlining efforts
- Build a professional workforce that is competent and interchangeable between Federal Agencies
- Enhance government-wide succession planning efforts for the future grants management workforce



Our Objectives

Our objectives include to develop government-wide:

- **Professional grants management series under Office of Personnel Management guidelines**
- **Standard grants management profession competencies**
- **Grants management training curriculum**
- **Standard grants management certification program**
- **Grants management professional database**



How We Operate

This workgroup has four subgroups:

- **Training - research existing grants management training curriculums within and outside of the federal government**
- **Competencies - identify baseline government-wide core grants management competencies**
- **Certification - research various methodologies and best practices for implementation of a government-wide grants management certification program**
- **Grants Management Database - research development of a government-wide grants management professional resource database**



Accomplishments to Date

Grants Management Competencies:

- **Completed in DRAFT**
- **Training/Certification workgroup is reviewing before submitting to the GPC for final**
- **Estimate will present to the GPC by November 2006.**



Work in Progress

- **Training Curriculum Survey was completed in early Spring 2006**
- **Grants Management Professional Series – Document is in DRAFT**
- **Grants Management Database White Paper – DRAFT is completed**
- **Grants Management Professional Certification White Paper – in development**



Future Efforts

Plans:

- **Work on the approval of a government-wide professional series**
- **Develop the grants management courses**
- **Develop the grants management certification program and develop policy for implementation**
- **Develop the grants management database and develop policy for implementation**