

301.607-75 Maintenance of FAC-P/PM certification.

(a) FAC-P/PM certification lasts for 2 years. To maintain FAC-P/PM certification, HHS Program and Project Managers are required to earn 80 CLPs of skills currency every 2 years, starting from the date of their initial certification or recertification, and document completion of all training. If the required CLPs are not earned within each 2-year period, a FAC-P/PM certification will lapse. Lapsed certifications may be reinstated when 80 CLPs have been accumulated.

(b) Continuous learning activities related to FAC-P/PM include, but are not limited to—

- (1) Training activities, such as teaching, self-directed study, and mentoring;
- (2) Courses completed to achieve certification at the next higher level;
- (3) Professional activities, such as attending/speaking/presenting at professional seminars/symposia/conferences, publishing papers, and attending workshops;
- (4) Educational activities, such as formal training and formal academic programs; and
- (5) Experience, such as developmental or rotational assignments.

See Appendix F, Federal Acquisition Certification—Program and Project Managers—Guidance on Meeting Requirements for Continuous Learning Points, in the P/PM Handbook for additional information.

301.607-76 FAC-P/PM application process.

The P/PM Handbook contains application procedures and forms to be completed for basic certification; certification transfer; certification through fulfillment; recertification; and certification waiver. Applicants for HHS FAC-P/PM certification actions shall comply with the requirements and procedures specified in the P/PM Handbook and refer any questions to their OPDIV ACM for resolution.

301.607-77 Governance.

The Departmental ACM, in ASFR/OGAPA/DA, serves as the Departmental FAC-P/PM Program Manager and is responsible for administering the program. To support the overall management of the FAC-P/PM certification program at the OPDIV level, Executive Officers and their HCAs may either use their existing ACM or designate an additional ACM, whose professional background includes program and project management. See Appendix B, Federal Acquisition Certification—Program and Project Managers—Roles and Responsibilities, in the P/PM Handbook for additional information.

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301.607-78 Contracting Officer designation of a Program/Project Manager as the Contracting Officer's Technical Representative.

Personnel who are FAC-P/PM certified, at any level, meet the requirements for FAC-COTR certification and are, therefore, not required to obtain FAC-COTR certification to serve as a COTR for an HHS acquisition. However, for those individuals serving as a Program or Project Manager under a FAC-P/PM certification waiver—see 301.607-73, the Contracting Officer shall ensure that the individual meets the requirements of HHS' FAC-COTR program before delegating authority to that individual to act as a COTR. See 301.605 for additional information regarding the Contracting Officer's designation of a COTR.

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301.608 Training requirements for purchase cardholders, Approving Officials, and Agency/Organization Program Coordinators.

Training requirements for purchase cardholders, Approving Officials, and Agency/Organization Program Coordinators are listed in the following table:

HHS PURCHASE CARD TRAINING PROGRAM, BY AUTHORITY LEVEL

Authority ^a	Program participant	Required training ^b
Up to \$3,000	Prospective/newly appointed purchase cardholders and Approving Officials. Purchase card holders and Approving Officials ...	Basic purchase card training (HHS University course or an OPDIV equivalent course). Yearly refresher purchase card training.