

SAM (System for Award Management) Registration – It's Free!

There is never any cost to register in SAM – and free help is available for those who need it.

Kansas PTAC provides free help to Kansas businesses registering in SAM. The first step in government contracting, SAM is the primary supplier database for the U.S. Federal Government, collecting, validating and storing data from suppliers and then making that data available to various government acquisition agencies. Your business **MUST** be registered in SAM to sell to the U.S. Federal Government.

GOOD NEWS: There is no cost to register in SAM. If you need help and your business is located in Kansas, the PTAC can assist you – also at no charge!

Launched in July of 2012, SAM combines what had been the Central Contractor Registration (CCR), the Federal Agency Registration (FedReg), the Online Representations and Certifications Application (ORCA), and the Excluded Parties List System (EPLS).

PTAC procurement counselors help businesses to navigate the SAM registration process every day. They can answer your questions and provide tips to ensure that important information about your business is entered correctly, including completing your profile in the SBA's Dynamic Small Business Search (DSBS) database, so that you can be found by agency and military buyers and prime contractors who want to do business with you. The PTAC procurement counselors can also help you keep your information "up to date" and assist you with the registration renewal process each year.

Most importantly, once your registration is complete, your PTAC counselor can help you take the next steps in finding contract opportunities and marketing your business to government buyers.