

The Office of Procurement Services



State Procurement User Group Meeting Highlights and Follow Up [Link to SPUG Power Point Slides](#)

September 8th, 2009

Highlights of Discussion:

Asset Management Services (AMS):

Fred Zabonik, Manager, reminded agencies of the ORC mandated certification deadline of October 1. He also announced that the AMS web site (<http://das.ohio.gov/qsd/ams/ams.htm>) will now have a link to the FY09 and all future reports.

OAKS Training Update:

James Yagodich, FIN Support and Training, announced two new courses; PO211, *Creating and Managing Requisitions*, and PO212, *Managing and Reviewing Purchase Orders*. He also reviewed the new Enterprise Learning Management (ELM) training website. <http://www.oakspmo.ohio.gov/oaks/training/ELMTraining/elmTraining.htm>

Procurement Services 15% Rate Reduction Pricing Status Update:

Terry Tyler, Chief Procurement Officer, reported that approximately 1/3 of DAS contract vendors agreed to reduce their pricing by 15%.

Community Rehabilitation Program (CRP):

Ron Roland, CRP Manager, reviewed the program purpose, the types of services provided by the sheltered workshops and requested that the agencies review their service needs and request a CRP contract.

OIT State Term Schedule Contract Pricing on the website:

Jim Delong, IT State Term Schedule Manager, reviewed that agencies are now responsible to audit invoice pricing on IT related Purchases. He also reviewed the Procurement website that now displays contract pricing to assist agencies in reviewing their invoices.

Ohio Shared Services (OSS):

Kevin Milstead, Project Manager, reviewed the purpose and services provided by this newly created division of OBM. OSS will provide to agencies (on a volunteer basis) OAKS Accounts Payable services. Vendor management has transferred to OSS. A new service being tested is the ability for vendors to track the status of their invoices and payments through the OAKS eSupplier module.

Procurement Food and Pharmaceutical Project:

Mark Hutchison, Contract Manager, reported on the progress made by two working groups whose objective is to reduce products and to increase agency use of DMH central warehouse. The groups' progress will drive down pricing by increasing usage of food and pharmaceutical products supplies by the Department of Mental Health (DMH).

Reverse Trade Fair:

A Reverse Trade Fair is where an entity (in this case a governmental agency) manages a table/booth and vendors attending the event circulate amongst the tables to learn how they can do business with the entity.

- October 21, 2009; 8:00 am to 5:00 pm; Vets Memorial, North Hall
- Agencies are provided with Free Booth, Free Parking and Free Continental Breakfast and Lunch
- Sign-up to participate (reserve an agency booth) at www.coopp.org
- Contact Brenda Luke Bluke@age.state.oh.us to volunteer or register your agency