8A Certification

When: Wednesday April 23rd, 2025

5:30 PM - 7:00 PM

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Where: PBDG - Faye Burch Training Center for

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Class Description:

The 8(a) program is a robust nine-year program created to assist small disadvantaged businesses. Businesses that participate in the program receive training and technical assistance designed to strengthen their ability to compete effectively in the American economy. 8(a) certified firms may also receive 8(a) sole source direct awards from federal agencies or compete for competitive federal contracts that are set aside exclusively for 8(a) Participants. Because of the unique benefits of the 8(a) Program, last fiscal year, 8(a) firms located within the Pacific Northwest were awarded over \$530 million in federal contracts. In addition to the contracting benefits of the Program, 8(a) certified firms also receive access to no cost specialized training and assistance as well as the ability to obtain surplus government property. Join the SBA Portland District, APEX Accelerator, and PBDG to learn more about the SBA's 8(a) Business Development Program.

Agenda

- Federal marketplace overview
- 8(a) Program eligibility requirements
- 8(a) Program benefits
- Applying for 8(a) and other SBA certifications

Facilitated by: Joseph Smetak -Business Opportunity Specialist - U.S. Small Business Administration Portland District Office



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