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# Procure-to-Pay Capability Summary

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**SUBJECT:** Beta.SAM.gov

**BACKGROUND:** Beta.SAM.gov is a production website managed by the General Services Administration that will be the government-wide, authoritative source of federal award data. Beta.SAM.gov is a technology refresh for the System for Award Management's (SAM's) consolidation of legacy procurement-related systems within the federal Integrated Award Environment (IAE). The IAE portfolio of capabilities are used by federal agencies as the authoritative source of data and as centralized processes for several procurement, financial assistance, and vendor payment functions. The existing SAM system, implemented in 2012, incorporated the capabilities of the legacy systems Central Contractor Registration, Online Representations and Certifications, Federal Agency Registration, and the Excluded Parties List System. The new Beta.SAM.gov has already incorporated the capabilities of the Catalog of Federal and Domestic Assistance (CFDA) and Wage Determinations Online (WDOL). The next systems targeted for inclusion are: Federal Business Opportunities (FBO) and the Federal Procurement Data System (FPDS) data retrieval functions; followed by FPDS data entry, Electronic Sub-Contractor Reporting System (eSRS), Federal Sub-Award Reporting System (FSRS), Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information System (FAPIS), and Contractor Performance Assessment Reporting System (CPARS). Beta.SAM.gov will group these capabilities into "domains": 1) Federal Assistance, 2) Contract Opportunities, 3) Contract Data, 4) Entity Information, and 5) Wage Determinations. In addition, Beta.SAM.gov has a Federal Hierarchy that will standardize reporting and role management across the system and its data.

**POLICY:** The Federal Acquisition Regulations (FAR) 4.11 requires prospective federal contractors to register in SAM. Other IAE systems also required by FAR: FPDS (FAR 4.6), FBO (FAR 5.1), Wage Determinations (FAR 22.4), CPARS (FAR 42.15), FAPIS, (FAR 9.1040, eSRS (FAR 19.704), FSRS (FAR 4.14)

**INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY INFRASTRUCTURE:** Beta.SAM.gov is a public website. It uses a single sign on using Login.gov. Roles from legacy systems will migrate as systems are incorporated into the site. It has an integrated search engine that will allow cross-functional searches. Data from Beta.SAM.gov is available through Application Programming Interfaces (APIs), see: <https://open.gsa.gov/api/>.

**DATA STANDARDS:** Legacy systems data is available at Beta.SAM.gov; the integrated search engine currently provides results across the Assistance and Wage Determination modules, FBO, FPDS, and SAM.

**IMPACT:** As each module of Beta.SAM is deployed and the legacy system is retired, Beta.SAM standardizes the user access, entity hierarchies (both government and industry), system interfaces, and data retrieval processes for each of the capabilities; resulting in a more predictable and efficient way for agencies and industry to interact with and use the capabilities, as well as reducing the costs of the IAE itself for the federal government. Additionally, the integration of the data across the Beta.SAM capabilities will provide opportunities for greater visibility into the federal procurement environment.

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