



## The Source NC E-Procurement Newsletter

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### Upcoming Conferences

#### North Carolina Association of School Business Officials (NCASBO)

The NC E-Procurement team will be at the Koury Convention Center in Greensboro for the 2018 NCASBO Annual Conference on February 14. NC E-Procurement representatives will have an exhibitor booth at the conference to answer questions. If you would like to schedule a specific time to meet with the team at the conference, please contact us via email at [eptraining@doa.nc.gov](mailto:eptraining@doa.nc.gov).

### New Release: Updates to the NC eVP Public Vendor Search Tool

Updates to the North Carolina electronic Vendor Portal (eVP) Public Vendor Search Tool were made on January 18, 2018. The Public Vendor Search Tool was updated to return exact matches first for search results and to allow sorting across all results returned, rather than on a single page. Additionally, to align with state data handling policies, users will be unable to search for vendors using a Federal Tax ID number. Users will still be able to search by vendor name and customer number, along with all other existing search criteria fields. For any questions or assistance with using the Public Vendor Search Tool, please contact the NC E-Procurement Help Desk at 888-211-7440, opt. 1, or by email at [ephelpdesk@its.nc.gov](mailto:ephelpdesk@its.nc.gov).

### State Term Contract Announcements

**Statewide Term Contract 490A** The Division of Purchase & Contract developed a new [Statewide Term Contract 490A- Nikon Microscopes](#) in conjunction with NASPO ValuePoint (contract # 16000234-3) to provide a full line of biological and research microscopes through Nikon Instruments Inc. This is a convenience contract, which may be used by state departments, agencies, higher education institutions as well as non-mandatory state agencies and other eligible entities. The term of this contract is January 1, 2018 through January 2, 2020. If you have any questions related to this contract, contact Grant Braley at (919) 807-4519 or [grant.braley@doa.nc.gov](mailto:grant.braley@doa.nc.gov).

**Statewide Term Contract 465B** The Division of Purchase & Contract developed a new [Statewide Term Contract 465B](#) in conjunction with NASPO ValuePoint (contract # OK-SW-300) to provide automatic external defibrillators (AEDs) and accessories. This contract is a mandatory contract, which shall be used by state departments, agencies, higher education institutions as well as non-mandatory state agencies and other eligible entities. The term of this contract is January 15, 2018 through October 3, 2018. If you have any questions related to this contract, contact Grant Braley at (919) 807-4519 or [grant.braley@doa.nc.gov](mailto:grant.braley@doa.nc.gov).

## P&C's Training Roundup

The Division of Purchase & Contract (P&C) offers various training courses related to procurement throughout the year. Please see below for a list of upcoming trainings. For further course details and registration instructions, please refer to the [2018 course catalog](#).

DATE	COURSE TITLE	LOCATION	FACILITY & ADDRESS
1/23-25	NC Procurement	Raleigh	Dept. of Administration 116 W. Jones St., P&C's Training Ctr., Room G111- E
1/30	Customizing Solicitation Templates	Raleigh	Wildlife Resources Commission 1751 Varsity Drive
2/7	E-Procurement	Raleigh	Wake Tech Public Education Campus 321 Chapanoke Road, Room 1401
2/8	E-Quote	Raleigh	Wake Tech Public Education Campus 321 Chapanoke Road, Room 1401
2/15	Specification Writing	Raleigh	Dept. of Administration 116 W. Jones St., P&C's Training Ctr., Room G111-E

### Follow-Up

This newsletter was sent to all LEA users.

Questions about information covered in this newsletter? Send an email to [ephelpdesk@its.nc.gov](mailto:ephelpdesk@its.nc.gov)