NATIONAL SECURITY OFFICER APPRECIATION WEEK

This week is National Security Officer Appreciation Week. This time affords us the opportunity to recognize the criticality and dedication of the more than 15,000 federal Protective Service-contracted Protective Security Officers (PSO) who protect over 9,000 federal facilities across the country and U.S. territories. This includes offices, courthouses, campuses, warehouses, and daycare centers where the crucial functions of the federal government take place. Thanks to these PSOs, federal employees can perform essential duties that impact the day-to-day lives of millions of Americans.

In honor of this week, we ask all our partners and customers to please thank the PSOs who protect the federal facilities where you work for their unrelenting service. You can find them at most facility entrances, screening visitors to ensure the integrity of the workplace, or patrolling facility perimeters to prevent unauthorized access to federal property. Others are stationed in building control rooms, continuously monitoring closed-circuit video surveillance systems, ever alert for suspicious activities. Their commitment to protection ensures the safety of all those who work and visit our facilities.

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OPM

Safer Federal Workforce Updated Model Agency COVID-19 Safety Principles

Federal Employees Support Health and Hunger Relief
[https://chcoc.gov/content/federal-employees-support-health-and-hunger-relief](https://chcoc.gov/content/federal-employees-support-health-and-hunger-relief)

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HHS - MONKEYPOX INFORMATION

CDC: [https://www.cdc.gov/poxvirus/monkeypox/index.html](https://www.cdc.gov/poxvirus/monkeypox/index.html)
ASPR: [https://aspr.hhs.gov/monkeypox/Pages/default.aspx](https://aspr.hhs.gov/monkeypox/Pages/default.aspx)

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US SBA DISASTER AID TO INDIVIDUALS & BUSINESSES AFFECTED BY THE BOULDER COUNTY FIRES

The deadline to apply for economic injury is **September 30, 2022** | Applicants may apply online: [https://disasterloanassistance.sba.gov/](https://disasterloanassistance.sba.gov/)
2022 FEDS FEED FAMILIES FOOD DRIVE - VIRTUALLY
June 27 - September 30, 2022
https://fedsfeedfamilies-usfs.hub.arcgis.com/

FY 2023 ROCKY MOUNTAIN LEADERSHIP ACADEMIES

The Colorado Federal Executive Board is honored to offer the Rocky Mountain Leadership Academies for FY2023. Please consider registering for one of these career-altering programs.

Rocky Mountain Executive Leadership Academy (RMELA)
January – September 2023 | In-person & Virtual Sessions | Cost: $6,000 per attendee

The Rocky Mountain Executive Leadership Academy (RMELA) develops, strengthens, trains, and equips executive leaders to reach new heights of leadership effectiveness and productivity. In-depth focus is given to areas such as strategic planning, program service delivery, financial understanding, talent management, communication and influence skills, ethics, decision making and executive presence.

The RMELA puts leadership knowledge into action. It consists of four in-person three-day sessions along with 3 individual coaching sessions from January through September. Leadership development professionals offer interactive sessions while providing meaningful coaching, leading to effective project development planning for real-world leadership opportunities.

Who Should Attend RMELA: Federal/State/Local government, military and private sector executive/senior leaders interested in making a difference in their organization. RMELA participants have demonstrated leadership and have the potential to achieve even more. We are seeking motivated leaders from diverse professional backgrounds.

For an overview of the program and registration process, visit:
https://www.eventbrite.com/e/rocky-mountain-executive-leadership-academy-2023-tickets-406530041297

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Rocky Mountain Senior Leadership Academy (RMSLA)
April – September 2023 | In-person & Virtual Sessions | Cost: $5,000 per attendee

Senior leaders are challenged with working smarter to balance the demands of organizational process, empowering staff, prioritizing the urgent and leveraging knowledge and technology to facilitate innovation to more effectively deal with modern issues. A deeper dive is taken in this program putting knowledge into action.

This program will work to aid participants in creating heightened self-awareness and leverage their natural strengths helping them find ways to address their developmental areas in a positive, productive way. In-depth focus is given to areas such as change management, teams and team development, conflict resolution, talent management, emotional intelligence and resiliency, communication and influence skills, critical thinking and decision making.

Ongoing coaching and the creation of an Individual Plan is offered to serve as a springboard for implementing new-found knowledge and action plans back on the job.

Who Should Attend RMSLA: Federal/State/Local government, military and Private sector newly appointed or recently promoted mid-level leaders who seek to enhance their overall effectiveness and performance. Existing mid-level leaders who want to sharpen their existing skillset.

For an overview of the program and registration process, visit: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/rocky-mountain-senior-leadership-academy-2023-tickets-406534294017

2023 Dates:

Month 1 April 17-19, 2023 | In-Person
Month 2 May 23, 2023 | Virtual half-day
Month 3 June 12-14, 2023 | In-Person
Month 4 July 18, 2023 | Virtual half-day
Month 5 August 14-16, 2023 | In-Person
Graduation September 8, 2023 | In-Person

Rocky Mountain Emerging Leadership Academy (RMEmLA)
April – September 2023 | In-person Sessions | Cost: $2,995 per attendee

This training will equip you with proven supervisory techniques that you can put into action immediately. You will learn to leverage both your hard skills and your people skills to meet your new challenges with increased confidence and respect. Discover new insights and practice techniques to communicate effectively, engage and motivate employees, overcome generation gap issues, hold collaborative meetings, resolve conflict, develop high performing teams and more.

The various sessions provide an overview of today’s dynamic work environment, issues affecting organizations, and ways that supervising leaders are responding. This program includes aiding participants in formulating an Individual Development Plan (IDP) along with a focused coaching session to serve as a roadmap for implementing program learnings.
Who Should Attend RMNSTA: Federal/State/Local government, military and Private sector newly promoted or recently promoted emerging leaders who seek to enhance their overall effectiveness and performance. Existing leaders at supervision levels who want to sharpen their existing skillset. This class is designed to give employees the necessary tools to become dynamic and effective leaders in their organizations.

For an overview of the program and registration process, visit: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/new-supervisor-training-academy-2023-tickets-406549700097

2023 Dates:

- Month 1 April 20-21, 2023 | In-Person
- Month 2 June 15-16, 2023 | In-Person
- Month 4 August 17-18, 2023 | In-Person
- Graduation September 8, 2023 | In-Person

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FEDERAL PROTECTIVE SERVICE TWITTER ACCOUNT

FPS has launched a Twitter account, with plans to join other social media platforms in the near future. @FPSDHS | https://mobile.twitter.com/FPSDHS

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OPEN – The Denver Federal Center Wellness Center / Absolute Personal Fitness (APF)

Building 75 (northwest corner of Center Ave. and 7th Street) | 303.236.6911 / text: 720.224.3126 / www.LakewoodPersonalFitness.com

Contact Phil Ray | phil@AbsolutePersonalFitness.net

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CALENDAR EVENTS

INCLUSIONARY LEADERSHIP PRACTICES WORKSHOP - Online
September 22, 2022 | 10:30 am - 1:30 pm MST

Inclusionary Leadership Practices; a workshop designed for Managers, Emerging Leaders and Special Emphasis Program Managers (SEPMs)

www.simmalieberman.com

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FED PARTNERS: ROCKY MOUNTAIN EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP ACADEMY - Virtual
The September Federal Partners meeting focuses on career development and gaining skills to help you advance. The Rocky Mountain Executive Leadership Academy is a collaboration between the Colorado Federal Executive Board and Transformation Partners LLC, aimed at building the leadership skills of government workers. Dr. Shanna Ullmann, founding partner of Transformation Partners and Dr. Robert Prescott, a consultant with more than 36 year’s experience in employee engagement, will join us to talk about this unique program. Both are experts at employee learning and development programs. We’ll also hear from a student who just completed the course.

**Speakers:** Dr. Shanna Ullmann and Dr Robert Prescott, Transformation Partners

Join ZoomGov meeting
https://cms.zoomgov.com/j/1607795881?pwd=NVVLWXoyQ0xOMFc3NGVXdh2K0QvUT09
One tap mobile +16692545252,1607795881 # US

No registration is required but if you would like to be added to the Fed Partners distribution list, please send Laurie.konsella@hhs.gov your email address.

**CONTACT** Laurie Konsella | email Laurie.konsella@hhs.gov

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**LINKEDIN PRESENTATION & INTERVIEW PANEL**
September 27, 2022 | 9:00 am - 12:00 pm MST | CFEB Tng Rm, bldg. 25, Rm 1442 | Attendee limit – 25

Online registration required | https://colorado.feb.gov/register/?ee=605

Join the CFEB in the first of three employment seminars to provide employees the skills necessary to learn the current employment trends in the workplace. Learn how to establish a LinkedIn profile or update your current one from an industry specialist. Bring a laptop or iPad and follow along with the presentation. Ask questions of HR specialist and hiring official’s panel on how to navigate the interview process.

Instructor | Aaron Kiewicz, Career Development specialist & Veteran
CFEB Contact | Jeff Conn | jeff.conn@gsa.gov

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**STRATEGIC COMMUNICATION - Virtual**
September 27, 2022 | 8:00 am - 2:00 pm MST | Virtual | Cost: Tuition is $267 (early bird) – $297

Register Online | https://www.eventbrite.com/e/strategic-communication-for-leaders-tickets-401400528787?aff=1

Communication can make or break a leader, so communication is the #1 skill that a leader must develop!
Instructor | Valeria Grunbaum  
Sponsored by South Florida FEB

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**CHANGE MANAGEMENT vs ORGANIZATION DEVELOPMENT - Webinar**  
September 28, 2022 | 10:30 am - 12:00 pm MST | Free

Register | https://kansascity.feb.gov/events/feb-webinar-series-federal-academic-alliance/

**Session is open to only Federal employees. Please register with .gov or .mil email address. It’s closed to the media**

Session Objectives:

- Guide Federal leaders and managers, as they make strategic decisions about change management and helping their teams through changes.
- Support Federal government professionals and managers, as they manage the impacts of a virtual environment in the workforce: team engagement, lines of communication, career success.
- Provide information on the benefits offered by the Federal Academic Alliance.

Panelists:

- Carrie D. Stringham, DM, Professor, HR. Purdue University Global, School of Business and Information Technology
- Phillip L. Ealy, M.P.S., CYFAR PDTA Center Coaching Coordinator Clearinghouse for Military Family Readiness, The Pennsylvania State University
- Leah Sciabarrasi, PhD, Faculty Program Director of the Master’s Degree in Organizational Leadership program, Leadership Certificate, and Data Analytics Certificate, Excelsior University

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**FERS RETIREMENT CLASS**  
October 11, 2022 | 8:30 am - 4:00 pm MST | DFC Bldg. 25, CFEB Training Room, Rm. 1442 | Cost $ 99.00 pp | In-person only, limiting seating so register early

Register: [https://www.eventbrite.com/e/cfeb-federal-benefits-training-class-tickets-412968940217](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/cfeb-federal-benefits-training-class-tickets-412968940217)

INSTRUCTOR Ann Vanderslice | Federal Benefits Made Simple
CONTACT Jeff Conn | jeff.conn@gsa.gov | 303 202 4588

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**FEDERAL DRUG TAKE BACK DAY: DENVER EVENTS**  
October 26, 2022
The Region 8 Substance Use Disorder Consultation Team and our federal partners are pleased to announce that we will host Federal Drug Take Back Day events. There will be three events for federal employees to participate at in the Denver-metro area.

National Prescription Drug Take Back Day aims to provide a safe, convenient, and responsible means of disposing of prescription drugs, while also educating everyone about the potential for abuse and theft of medications. Too often, unused prescription drugs find their way into the wrong hands. That's dangerous and often tragic. That's why it is great to see federal staff clean out their medicine cabinets and turn in - safely and anonymously – their unwanted and unused medications. Take Back Day events provide easy, no-cost harm reduction opportunities to dispose of medicines stored in the home that are susceptible to abuse and theft.

Please encourage your federal colleagues to participate in the event this year.

**The three Denver-area federal locations will be:**

- **Byron Rogers Federal Office Building**, 1961 Stout St, Denver CO 80202. Enter the main lobby from the plaza. You will not need your federal ID to enter the lobby. There is short term meter parking and mass transit options. Hours will be 10 – 2, MT. Please contact Laurie.Konsella@hhs.gov for questions about this location.

- **Denver Federal Center**, West 6th Avenue and Kipling Street, Lakewood, CO 80225, Building 25. Enter the Denver Federal Center through Gate 1 (near Alameda and Kipling.) Visitors must stop and show identification, (i.e., government ID or a driver's license) to enter. Please be prepared to present a valid driver’s license and current vehicle registration at the gate. Park in the parking lot between First and Second Street. Enter the building from Second Street and the drop off location will be inside the lobby. There is a DFC map on page 4: Denver Federal Center Visitor Guide [PDF - 2 MB]. Hours will be 10 – 2, MT. Please contact marion.buntyn@gsa.gov for more information about this site.

- **National Renewable Energy Lab, Golden Field Office.** This site is restricted to NREL staff. Hours will be 10 – 1:30 MT. Please contact brian.sutherland@hq.doe.gov for more information about this site.

**Drop-off details:**

- This program is anonymous. No one will count, inventory, or log the medications dropped into the disposal box.
- Prescription medications, over-the-counters medications, and vape pens/e-cigarettes may be disposed of.
- Participants may dispose of medication in its original container or by removing the medication from its container and disposing of it directly into the disposal box.
- All solid dosage pharmaceutical product and liquids in consumer containers may be accepted. Liquid products, such as cough syrup, should remain sealed in their original container. Please ensure that the cap is tightly sealed to prevent leakage.
- Intra-venous solutions, injectables, and used syringes will not be accepted due to potential hazard posed by blood-borne pathogens.
- Illicit substances such as marijuana or methamphetamine are not a part of this initiative and should not be placed in collection containers.
- Vape pens or other e-cigarette devices can be disposed of only after the batteries are removed from the devices.
If you are not able to participate at one of the federal locations on October 26, there will be many public take back day events on Saturday October 29, 2022. To find a public event, go to https://www.dea.gov/takebackday#collection-locator | There are also year round locations: Search for Year Round Pharmaceutical Disposal Locations and Home Disposal Methods

About Our Region VIII (CO, MT, ND, SD, UT, WY) Substance Use Disorder Consultation Team. The purpose of our Consultation Team is to lead and engage Region VIII states, tribal nations, local communities, and federal agencies in comprehensive and coordinated responses to the public health crisis of prescription drug misuse and substance use disorder. The regional team includes representatives from more than 20 federal agencies. For more information about the Region VIII Consultation Team contact Charles Smith | Charles.Smith@samhsa.hhs.gov, CMead@hrsa.gov, or Laurie.Konsella@hhs.gov

CONTACT Laurie Konsella | Office: 303-844-7854 | laurie.konsella@hhs.gov

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**GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**USDA FNS Mountain Plains Region**

Back to School Messaging resources:


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**Do you have a Federal student loan? You may be eligible for loan forgiveness.**
The Public Service Loan Forgiveness (PSLF) Program and the current Limited PSLF Waiver provide an opportunity to qualified individuals. The due date for filing the required documents is October 31, 2022.

More in-depth information about PSLF, including guidance to help determine if you qualify, can be found at:

https://studentaid.gov/manage-loans/forgiveness-cancellation/public-service

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**FEDERAL EMPLOYEES - MANSFIELD FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM IN JAPAN**

Applications are now being accepted until October 30, 2022 for the Mike Mansfield Fellowship Program. The program provides federal employees with one year of professional development in Japan and one year of pre-departure training in Japanese language, culture, and history.
Visit mansfieldfellows.org to find out more, or email at MFPinfo@mansfieldfdn.org

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**VETERANS PROGRAMS**
https://www.hirevets.gov/

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**ADVANTAGE LEARNING CENTER PRESCHOOL OPEN ENROLLMENT**
Open Enrollment dates - Now | 155 Van Gordon St Lakewood CO 80128 VA building

Cost | Competitively priced, discount for children of Federal employees and military reservists

CONTACT Pat Mauro | 303-914-5482 | info@advantagelc.net | www.advantagelc.net

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**DENVER FEDERAL CENTER**
DFC Facebook link | https://www.facebook.com/DenverFederalCenter/

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**BLOOD DONORS NEEDED - DENVER FEDERAL CENTER VIRTUAL BLOOD DRIVE**
Denver Federal Center Virtual Blood Drive (Assn Code DEN2015) | Any Metro Donation Location

https://learn.vitalant.org/LP=148?drive_code=DEN2015&division=MOUNTAIN%26%region=DEN

CONTACT Lori Freerksen | LFreerksen@Vitalant.org | www.Vitalant.org

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR UNIVERSITY (DOIU)**
DOI University (DOIU) offers competency-based training courses and programs designed to increase the skills of all federal employees.


**Taking Flight towards Personality-Driven Results Workshop Series**
January - April 2023 | Virtual | Cost $1,945

For those seeking a light-hearted, yet powerful learning experience, this 4-workshop series is a refreshing re-imagination of the tried-and-true DISC method, using a brain-friendly method of linking the DISC styles to Birds! This method will imbue emerging and experienced leaders with a deep understanding of personality with the ability to apply the styles with ease as they communicate, provide feedback, take risks, run meetings, assign tasks, resolve conflicts, understand others and more! Excellent opportunity to explore emotional intelligence (EQ) and learn how to apply EQ strategies.
OPM - NEW ONLINE COURSES

OPM’s Center for Leadership Development (CLD) is now offering courses on inclusive leadership and accessible design, as well as individual leadership and executive coaching. CLD is the only Federal program uniquely designed and focused on providing a career-long continuum of leadership and professional development to Federal employees.

View full course schedule | http://go.usa.gov/xE87z | www.leadership.opm.gov

CONTACT Cheronn Collins | Cheronn.Collins@opm.gov

VIRTUAL TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

USGS Virtual Trainings: https://www.usgs.gov/about/organization/science-support/human-capital/virtual-learning-opportunities

CONTACT Nancy Gregory | ngregory@usgs.gov

JOB ANNOUNCEMENTS

USA Jobs Website | https://www.usajobs.gov/
CFEB Website | https://colorado.feb.gov/

SUBMIT INFORMATION FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS

To submit information to be included in the announcements, please email it by Wednesday of each week to jeff.conn@gsa.gov in the following format.

Title
Date | Time
Location | 3333 W 32 Ave | Denver CO (no punctuation)
Cost (if applicable)
Brief Description (short marketing blurb | a couple of bullet points or sentences)
CONTACT Name | Phone number | email
If a job posting, please include the opening and closing date(s)
Website

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Enjoy your Week!

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