When a Public Health Emergency (PHE) is declared, Federal Supply Schedule contractors are available and ready to support. State, local, tribal and territorial governments can now benefit from the speed, savings, and ease of use of the Federal Supply Schedules when supporting declared Public Health Emergencies.

These new eligible ordering entities are now authorized to access all Federal Supply Schedules for the purchase of products and services when expending federal grants funds in response to Public Health Emergencies (PHEs) declared by the Secretary of Health and Human Services under section 319 of the Public Health Services Act, codified at 42 U.S.C. § 247d.

Federal Grantees Purchasing via Federal Supply Schedules in Response to Public Health Emergencies

Access to the Federal Supply Schedules under this program is limited to state, local, tribal and territorial governments receiving grant funds in direct response to the PHE.

- Participation is voluntary for state, local, tribal and territorial governments, as well as Schedule contractors.
- While GSA recommends that eligible purchasing officials follow the Schedule ordering procedures outlined in Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 8.4, to ensure receiving the best value from Schedule contractors, use of these procedures are not mandated under this program.
- When purchasing from Schedules, state, local, tribal and territorial governments should follow the ordering and competitive procedures that meet their own procurement regulations and any requirements stipulated in the grant funding.
- Orders may be placed directly with participating Schedule contractors.
- The following language should be included on all task or delivery orders placed by state, local, tribal and territorial governments under this program:

  This order is placed under Federal Supply Schedule number ________________ pursuant to GSA policy that authorizes state, local, territorial and tribal government entities, as authorized users for purchasing goods and services, when expending federal grant funds in response to Public Health Emergencies (PHEs) declared by the Secretary of Health and Human Services under section 319 of the Public Health Services Act, codified at 42 U.S.C. § 247d.

For additional information on GSA Schedule ordering procedures, please visit www.gsa.gov/schedules-ordering.

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