

Office of the Inspector General

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The Massachusetts
Certified Public Purchasing Official
(MCPPO) Program

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CHARTER SCHOOL PROCUREMENT

Prerequisite: None

Course Level: Basic

Instructional Method: Group-Live

The Office of the Inspector General has developed this two-day seminar to assist charter schools in satisfying the requirement (Section 11 of Chapter 46 of the Acts of 1997) that certain charter school administrators earn a Massachusetts public purchasing official certificate. Charter schools are subject to some state procurement laws, are exempt from others, and are always responsible for sound business practices and best value procurement. Efficient, effective, and ethical contracting practices are essential for charter schools working to achieve their goals and objectives in a cost-effective manner. This seminar concludes with an examination.

Topics covered include:

- Massachusetts procurement laws and Commonwealth charter schools
- DOE expectations and recommended procurement practices
- Overview of legal requirements for public contracts
- Procuring supplies or services
- Acquiring or disposing of real property
- Legal requirements and best practices for procuring construction services including a summary of the 2004 public construction reform law.

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This course provides 14 professional development points (PDP) and 14 continuing professional education (CPE) points.

For additional information and a registration form, please visit our website at www.mass.gov/ig. If you have any questions, please email Joyce McEntee Emmett, Director, at mcppo@maoig.net.