

DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION CERTIFICATION - Instructions for Certification

1. By signing and submitting this exhibit document, the contractor or grant recipient of Federal assistance funds is providing the certification as set out below.
2. The certification in the clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the contractor or grant recipient of Federal assistance funds knowingly rendered an erroneous certification in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the Department of Labor (DOL) may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.
3. The contractor recipient of Federal assistance funds shall provide immediate written notice to the County of Orange/Workforce Investment Board to which this certification document is submitted if at any time the contractor or grant recipient of Federal assistance funds learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
4. The contractor or grant recipient of Federal assistance funds agrees by submitting this certification document that, should the covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the DOL.
5. The contractor or grant recipient of Federal assistance funds further agrees by submitting this certification document that it will include the clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion - Lower Tier Covered Transactions," without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.
6. The contractor or grant recipient in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a contractor or grant recipient in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. The contractor or grant recipient may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals.
7. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of the contractor or grant recipient is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
8. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph 5 of these instructions, if the contractor or grant recipient in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the DOL may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.