

Agency Self Assessment Tool, a new training package and new simplified procurement templates for procurement below \$250,000.

Transforming Procurement will provide regular updates on other Transformation Program initiatives that will be introduced after the threshold changes are implemented.

Agency Self Assessment Tool

GP is developing a facility for agencies to assess their capability to procure up to \$250,000. Through the Agency Self Assessment Tool, agencies will be able to identify and address gaps in their capability and capacity to manage the higher thresholds.

If you identify gaps when you do the self-assessment, GP will work with you to prepare an education program to address the gaps and enable your agency to meet the new requirements as quickly as possible. In the interim, GP will discuss your support needs as you are building capability.

The Agency Self Assessment Tool will be available from Transforming Procurement web page in early April 2016.

Training Package

A training package focussing on procurement under \$250,000 will be made available to agency staff from April 2016, and forms part of our new and comprehensive education framework to build procurement capacity and capability across government. Further information will be available from Transforming Procurement web page in early April 2016.

Templates

GP is in the process of simplifying a number of procurement templates, starting with those for procurements under the \$250,000 threshold. These simpler templates will be more user-friendly and efficient for agency buyers while maintaining legal and risk management standards. It is anticipated that the simplified templates will be available from Transforming Procurement web page in early April 2016.

Moving to the new Threshold

Partial Exemption

To implement the decision by government to increase the State Supply Commission's partial exemption threshold for agencies to autonomously undertake procurements up to \$250,000, a revised partial exemption is currently being developed for approval by the State Supply Commission Board. It is anticipated that revised partial exemptions will be issued to agencies in early May 2016.

Procurement Management Arrangement

In accordance with the revised partial exemption, agencies will receive a Procurement Management Arrangement (PMA) outlining the new management arrangements between GP and the agency. The PMA will replace existing Memorandum of Understanding's (MOU) and Procurement Service Agreement's (PSA).

Transfer of GP Staff

Transition arrangements for those agencies with out-posted GP staff will be finalised in the coming weeks.

More Information

We will continue to provide information through these bulletins and other mediums over the remainder of the Transformation Program.

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