



Background Information

Aboriginal Procurement Program

The Aboriginal Human Resource Council's new program has three components - workshops, resources and advisory services. Two training formats are offered, online and instructor led. Both are aimed at helping procurement managers and supply chain specialists better use and develop effective tools and strategies to find and procure from Aboriginal businesses that meet their organization's needs.

On completion of the workshop, participants will be able to:

- Build a business case to support increased sourcing from Aboriginal suppliers.
- Cite the key elements of an Aboriginal procurement strategy and policy framework.
- Define how a company qualifies as an Aboriginal business.
- Review existing procurement practices to identify potential barriers to Aboriginal businesses.
- Introduce adjustments to sourcing practices that will increase the percentage of goods and services sourced from Aboriginal businesses while maintaining equitable practices and long-term value.
- Strengthen links between First Nations, Inuit and Métis communities and community economic development.
- List techniques and tips to help develop a list of Aboriginal businesses that will meet an organization's procurement needs.

Full details of the new program are available on the council's website at <http://www.aboriginalhr.ca/en/programs/Procurement>.

About the Aboriginal Human Resource Council

Formed in 1998, and ISO certified in 2010, the Aboriginal Human Resource Council is a national not-for-profit social enterprise that helps employers climb the inclusion continuum, the seven stage road map to becoming an employer of choice for aboriginal talent in Canada and abroad. Our focus is inclusion leadership in the workplace. [aboriginalhr.ca](http://www.aboriginalhr.ca)

About the Purchasing Management Association of Canada

The Purchasing Management Association of Canada (PMAC) is the leading, and the largest, association in Canada for supply chain management professionals. With 7,000 members working across private and public sectors, PMAC is the principal source of supply chain training, education and professional development in the country, requiring all members to adhere to a Code of Ethics. Through its 10 Provincial and Territorial Institutes, PMAC grants the SCMP (Supply Chain Management Professional) designation, the highest achievement in the field and the mark of strategic leadership. [pmac.ca](http://www.pmac.ca)

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