



# Blue Top Newsletter

## Upcoming Meetings and Training

Meeting/Training	Date & Time (EST)	Location	Dial-In Info
User Group	Tue, Jun 16 9:00 to 12:00	GSA Central Office 1800F St. NW Conference Rm. 3046	888-455-1864 Passcode: 5887966
Derived Credential Working Group	Wed, Jun 17 10:00 to 11:30	GSA Central Office 1800F St. NW Conference Rm. 7115	866-556-0154, Passcode: 2132069
Non-PIV Working Group	Wed, Jun 17 12:30 to 2:00	GSA Central Office 1800F St. NW Conference Rm. 7115	866-556-0154, Passcode: 2132069
CAB	Thu, Jun 18 9:30 to 12:00 <i>(Rescheduled from Jun 4)</i>	Grant Thornton 333 John Carlyle Dr., Alexandria, VA 4th Fl. Conf. Rm	No Telecon Provided
Registrar Refresher Training	Thu, Jul 9 2:30 to 3:30	Telecon	888-455-1864 Passcode: 3611044
Registrar Classroom Training	Wed and Thu Jul 15-16 Aug 12-13 Sep 16-17	HP Chantilly, VA	Contact Jim Schoening for information or to Register

Special Points of Note:

Now found on  
[www.fedidcard.gov](http://www.fedidcard.gov):

- > Service Order Requests and Test Card Orders
- > Role Holder Web Based Training Registration
- > Deployment Activities and USAccess Center Status Alert
- > Contact Steve Sill ([Stephen.sill@gsa.gov](mailto:Stephen.sill@gsa.gov)) to be added to User Group (UG) distribution list.
- > Contact Jim Schoening ([jim.schoening@gsa.gov](mailto:jim.schoening@gsa.gov)) for Registrar Classroom Training sign up

## OPM Security Incident Message

The OPM Cybersecurity Incident is naturally a cause for heightened concern among Identity and Access Management professionals. The USAccess team conducted full analyses of the USAccess system to determine potential impact. All information so far indicates no impact whatever, and no evidence of compromise of the USAccess system.

The USAccess Managed Service Office is continuing to monitor information as it becomes available, carefully and continuously scrutinize all interfaces that could potentially be affected, and communicate responsibly with the affected parties. We will continue to keep you apprised of our findings.

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## **Fixed Infrastructure Windows 7 Workstation Replacement Update**

We are nearing the completion of upgrading all fixed credentialing machines to Windows 7 equipment. All prep calls have been completed, equipment has shipped to all sites, and the final install calls are occurring this week. There are less than 5 sites still needing to have an install call to recertify the new equipment, and we hope to complete these before the end of the week.

We appreciate all of your efforts to work with your sites to make sure they adhere to their schedules and complete the necessary steps to recertification.

**For those sites still remaining, please prepare for your Install Calls.** When a site completes the following steps before the call, we can complete an install in about an hour. When they are not completed, **they can take up to 3 hours.**

### **Please complete the following before your install call:**

- Registrars/Activators know UPN/Password (refer to USAccess Windows 7 Workstation Replacement Guide)
- Set up Windows 7 machines 1 hour prior to install call (refer to USAccess Win 7 Quick Install Guide)
- Line up Applicant to activate or update card during install call (needed to recertify site)
- Have Site POC, Local IT and Registrars/Activators on call

### **Weekly Reports—Please reach out to MSO if you have not received them**

Reports are sent to the MSO on a weekly basis (on Mondays) that show Agency Leads the schedule for their fixed sites, as well as their progress in meeting all of their milestones. If you have not received a report, please reach out to the MSO.

## **Refresher Training has Resumed**

Monthly Activator/Refresher Training has resumed its normal monthly schedule of the second Thursday of the month at 2:30pm EST. The next training will be held on July 9th.

## ***New Interagency Agreement Training Available***

New training is available to assist Finance personnel in correctly filling out Interagency Agreements and addendums. The training is posted on the Agency Lead Portal. The IA training can be found [here](#).

## ***Service Enhancements***

### *System Changes Since Last Blue Top*

- Updated OPAC Combinations for DOI
- Maintenance completed as scheduled on Saturday, May 30 and June 6-7.

### *Planned Changes*

- **Maintenance is scheduled for Saturday, June 27 for most of the day.** Please plan for the USAccess Service and role holder portals to be unavailable for most of the day.

## ***Security Tip***

### *USAccess Account Security – Best Practices*

We would like to take a moment to remind everybody that each USAccess account has a unique ID and password associated to the owner. As an authorized account holder you are responsible for protecting your ID and password to prevent misuse by unauthorized users. You're responsible for all activity on your account. Please do not share passwords or User IDs with anybody, even your colleagues or supervisors. Role holders have a particularly important responsibility as they act as the "Gatekeepers" to the USAccess system. A security breach by a role holder not only affects the agency's own security, but potentially across the whole enterprise! Be careful!