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section 4762 of title 42, United States Code.

Subpart B—Planning for Training

§410.201 Responsibilities of the head of an agency.

As stated in section 4103 of title 5, United States Code, and in Executive Order 11348, the head of each agency shall:

(a) Establish, budget for, operate, maintain, and evaluate a program or programs, and a plan or plans thereunder, for training agency employees by, in, and through Government and non-Government facilities;

(b) Determine policies governing employee training, including a statement of broad purposes for agency training, the assignment of responsibility for seeing that these purposes are achieved, and the delegation of training approval authority to the lowest possible level; and

(c) Establish priorities for training employees and provide for funds and staff according to these priorities.

§ 410.202 Integrating employee training and development with agency strategic plans.

(a) Agencies shall include mission-related training and development in agency strategic planning to ensure that:

(1) Agency training strategies and activities contribute to mission accomplishment; and

(2) Organizational performance goals are met.

(b) Agency human resource development programs and plans should:

(1) Improve employee and organizational performance; and

(2) Build and support an agency workforce capable of achieving agency mission and performance goals.

§410.203 Assessing organizational, occupational, and individual needs.

(a) Assessment. Section 303 of Executive Order 11348 specifies the responsibility of heads of agencies to assess agency training needs annually.

(b) *Method.* The method an agency uses to conduct training needs assessment shall meet the requirements of chapter 41 of title 5, United States Code, Executive Order 11348, and this subpart.

§410.204 Options for developing employees.

Agencies may use a full range of options to meet their mission-related organizational and employee development needs, such as classroom training, on-the-job training, technologybased training, satellite training, employees' self-development activities, coaching, mentoring, career development counseling, details, rotational assignments, cross training, and developmental activities at retreats and conferences.

Subpart C—Establishing and Implementing Training Programs

§410.301 Scope and general conduct of training programs.

(a) Authority. The requirements for establishing training programs and plans are found in section 4103(a) of title 5, United States Code, and Executive Order 11348.

(b) Alignment with other human resource functions. Training programs established by agencies under chapter 41 of title 5, United States Code, should be integrated with other personnel management and operating activities, under administrative agreements as appropriate, to the maximum possible extent.

§410.302 Responsibilities of the head of an agency.

(a) Specific responsibilities. (1) The head of each agency shall prescribe procedures as are necessary to ensure that the selection of employees for training is made without regard to political preference, race, color, religion, national origin, sex, marital status, age, or handicapping condition, and with proper regard for their privacy and constitutional rights as provided by merit system principles set forth in 5 U.S.C. 2301(b)(2).

(2) The head of each agency shall prescribe procedures as are necessary to ensure that the training facility and curriculum are accessible to employees with disabilities.