

Special Notice

Transition from DUNS to UEI

Summary

Effective April 4, 2022 the Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number is no longer being used to identify entities registered in the U.S. General Services Administration's (GSA) System for Award Management (SAM). Instead, entities will be assigned a Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) that is generated directly in SAM.gov.

Affected Programs

All Federal Communications Commission (FCC) programs that currently utilize SAM.gov registration, including the Affordable Connectivity Program, COVID-19 Telehealth Program, and Emergency Connectivity Fund, and all FCC programs that will utilize SAM.gov registration, including all of the Universal Service Fund programs, will be affected.

Acquiring UEI

If currently registered in SAM.gov, active or inactive, an entity will already have been assigned an UEI and can view this within SAM.gov.

If not currently registered, a UEI will be assigned once registration occurs. A UEI can be acquired without full SAM.gov registration, but it is recommended that full registration is completed.

Expiration Date and USF Impact

The transition from DUNS to UEI does not affect an entity's SAM.gov expiration date and the UEI will never expire. For entities that are Universal Service Fund recipients, the FCC is working with the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) to carry out the full transition to UEIs. Additional details will be coming from USAC in the future.

Additional Information

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