

Mentor-Protégé Program (MPP) Growing the Industrial Base



DTRA Mission

DTRA provides cross-cutting solutions to enable the Department of Defense, the United States Government, and international partners to **DETER** strategic attack against the United States and its allies; **PREVENT**, reduce, and counter WMD and emerging threats; and **PREVAIL** against WMD-armed adversaries in crisis and conflict.

Background

The Mentor-Protégé Program was created as a pilot program (Public Law 101-510) in 1990. The program was created by former Senator Sam Nunn and implemented by former Defense Secretary William Perry. Mentor-Protégé Program (MPP) was established as a pilot program and has periodically been reauthorized by Congress. The MPP was made permanent under the Fiscal Year 2023 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA).

The DoD Mentor-Protégé Program (MPP) assists Federal Contractor (mentors) in developing their qualifications and ability to compete for prime contract and subcontract awards by partnering with Federal Contractors, who provide developmental assistance and technology transfer under individual, project-based agreements to help meet the DTRA mission. A Broad Agency Announcement will be issued in 2023 to request performers to submit white papers.

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Types of Mentor-Protégé Agreements

Reimbursable: reimburses mentors for allowable mentoring expenses, up to \$1M/year for up to 2 years.

Credit: Provides small business subcontracting credit to the mentor for the socioeconomic categories of the protégé using a multiplier (4X for direct labor costs; 3X for subcontracts, and 2X for other direct costs [ODCs]); Defense Contract Management Agency (DCMA) administers credit agree-ments.

Hybrid: Provides small business subcontracting credit for 1 year and reimbursement for 1 year. DCMA administers the credit portion and we jointly manage the reimbursable portion with DCMA.

Examples of Technical Assistance

- Human Resources training and certifications
- Marketing training, website design, branding
- Additive manufacturing improvements
- ISO certifications
- CMMI training and certification
- Implementing an DCAA-approved (i.e. Defense Contracting Auditing Agency) accounting system
- Providing student interns for some of the technology transfer/development

References

- Defense Federal Acquisition Regulations (DFARs)
 - DFARS, Subpar 219.71
 - DFARS Appendix I
- DoD Mentor Protégé home page: https://business.defense.gov/Programs/ Mentor-Protege-Program
- Please review DTRA MPP home page: https://www.dtra.mil/Business/Mentor-Protege-Program

An announcement will be issued in 2023 for White Papers

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After the review of the white papers DTRA will invite the team with the most promising technology transfer to submit a proposal for a MP Agreement (MPA).