SAM.gov Transition to UEI

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Yesterday, April 6, 2022, the FCC released Public Notice DA 22-371 which announces the transition from the Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number to the Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) effective April 4, 2022.

At this time, only entities that receive direct payments or disbursements from the FCC must obtain a UEI and complete full entity registration in SAM.gov. This includes the COVID-19 Telehealth Program, Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) and Emergency Connectivity Fund Program (ECF). Most organizations who participate in these programs should have already registered with SAM.gov to complete their registration with USAC.

For Universal Service Fund (USF) recipients (High Cost, E-Rate, Rural Health Care, and Lifeline), program payments will continue as of April 4, 2022 without full entity SAM.gov registration; however, these programs will require full entity registration at a later date. Additionally, USAC will begin collecting UEIs on program forms later this year. More information will be forthcoming.

Next Steps

If you are registered to participate in the COVID-19 Telehealth Program, ACP, or ECF, you already have a UEI and do not need to update your registration in SAM.gov. No further action is required; USAC will reach out directly to participants if needed.

If you participate in one of the USF programs, you are not required to register in SAM.gov at this time, but USAC recommends initiating this process as it will be required at a later date.

If you need help obtaining a UEI or have additional questions, please visit the Contact USAC page to contact USAC’s Customer Service Center (CSC) or visit SAM.gov for additional information on how to obtain a UEI number or register your entity.

Need Help? Contact Us!
For questions about the DUNS to UEI transition, please visit the Contact USAC page to contact CSC.