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**State of the PTAC -
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by James Gerraughty,
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Tax Reform and Its
Impact on Government
Contractors
Feb 12, 2019
11:00 am

Wide Area Workflow
(WAWF) Online Webinar
2019
Feb 21, 2019
10:00 am - Noon

Doing Business with
Penn State University
Mar 28, 2019
10:00 AM - Noon

Women's Business Expo
March 30, 2019
10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Doing Business with
PennDOT
Apr 9, 2019
11:00 am - Noon

Happy New Year! We are in the wake of a 35-day partial federal government shutdown that ended on January 25. There might be some delays in any correspondence that you sent into the affected agencies during that time. I would definitely suggest resending emails and/or calling them again (in case voicemail boxes got full). Please let the Southern Alleghenies, North Central and Northern Tier PTACs know if you are experiencing any difficulties in contacting federal agencies. We're also are ready to help you with your government contracting questions and needs!

In the next few weeks, we're gong to have various training opportunities, both face-to-face and online, covering some interesting topics in government contracting to help your business. Please refer to the events calendar in this newsletter.

Furthermore, you can review and register for upcoming events on our eCenter page, <https://sancnt.ecenterdirect.com/>

If you have ideas for topics, or would like to learn more about something, please drop us a line at (814) 949-6500 or ptac@sapdc.org

Federal Contractors May Be Able to Recover Costs Caused by the Government Shutdown

By Aron Beezley, Bradley Arant Boulton Cummings, LLP

SBA. However, as the Section 809 Panel writes, "there is no prescribed timeframe" for the SBA's response. This "prevents contracting officers from soliciting performance outside the 8(a) program and causes unnecessary delays waiting for the SBA's response." [Continue](#)

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The PTAC at SAP&DC is an economic development entity that bridges the gap between supplier and buyer in the government marketplace. The PTAC stands ready to support businesses in the central PA Alleghenies region in the pursuit to secure contracts with local, state and/or federal government agencies nationwide.

Due to the generous support of our Commonwealth and Federal funding partners, services provided by the PTAC are free of charge.

Whether you are an experienced contractor or new to the government marketplace, the PTAC will provide one-on-one counseling utilizing all of the program resources necessary to increase your share of contract awards.

Contact us today at The PTAC at SAP&DC to get started!

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