

## President's Message

Mr. James P. Woolsey



As members of the Defense Acquisition Workforce, you are familiar with how DAU can help you meet and maintain your certification requirements. But we believe our role, and yours, is much more than that. It is also about bringing people together and learning from each other—both formally and informally.

Like many of you, I have benefitted from others who mentored me, guided me and helped me see things from a different perspective. I owe a lot to this relatively small number of true professionals. I've also been fortunate enough to hear from others who say that I have been of some help to them. I haven't received any professional feedback that I value as much as this.

DAU is creating more and more opportunities to learn from and share with others. The Communities of Practice on the [Acquisition Community Connection](#) and the [Ask A Professor](#) site are designed around the idea of sharing experiences and learning as a community.

Over the next year, we will create more informal teaching and learning opportunities. Our mission assistance program where we provide on-site tailored training, consulting support and acquisition workshops provides another way for teachers and learners to get together.

In the end, it is up to each of us to seek opportunities to learn from others, and to find ways to share what we know. This may be mentoring, which I've heard is not as common as it once was. I hope that changes. It might be participating in a community of practice, a professional society or an informal working group. However you do it, I encourage you to look around—your next learning and teaching opportunities might be closer than you think.

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## BETTER BUYING POWER UPDATE

### Sustaining Capabilities

Performance-Based Logistics (PBL) is a proven tool for sustaining warfighting capability at reasonable cost. The [BBP 2.0 Implementation Guidance](#) specifically directs increasing the effective use of PBL and the development of a [PBL Guidebook](#). The guidebook is now available and should be used as the source for developing performance based arrangements. The PBL Guidebook is both a reference manual for experienced practitioners and a how-to-guide for logisticians new to PBL. The guidebook compliments DoD policies and guidance while providing PBL best practices and practical examples. The guidebook is available in the [PBL Community of Practice](#).

## WHAT'S HAPPENING

### Call for Award Nominations

[David Packard Excellence in Acquisition Awards](#) recognize organizations, groups, or teams that have demonstrated exemplary innovation and best practices in acquisition.

[Defense Acquisition Workforce Individual Achievement Awards](#) recognize individuals who demonstrate the highest levels of excellence in the acquisition of products and services – those who support the warfighter and protect the taxpayer. Winners are recognized in each of the functional disciplines including four new areas.

[Defense Acquisition Workforce Development Awards](#) recognize organizations that have displayed outstanding commitment, innovation, and results to develop and support the success of their acquisition, technology and logistics professionals.

[Secretary of Defense Product Support Manager Award](#) recognizes outstanding accomplishments of those serving in a position the USD(AT&L) called "a critical program position in delivering weapon system readiness affordably and effectively."

### New Course Schedule

The 2015 [Course Schedule](#) is available. Search for classes, get certification information and register for training in the [iCatalog](#).



## RESOURCES

### MDID Update



The [Milestone Document Identification \(MDID\)](#), an interactive list of all documents and actions required for each major milestone or decision point in the acquisition life cycle, now includes new features and changes from [DoDI 5000.02](#). The new MDID has a single framework, including DoD-specific information that reflects the Statutory and Regulatory document requirements. It uses filters for acquisition program type and subcategories, life-cycle events and source. Metacards provide a definition, notes from the table for applicability, source of statute and regulation citations and approval authority. These metacards can easily be printed or added to presentations.

### Corrosion Prevention and Control

The new Corrosion Prevention and Control Planning Guidebook is available. It assists in effectively managing corrosion during the entire acquisition process, including sustainment. Find the [new guidebook](#) on the [Logistics Community of Practice \(LOG CoP\)](#) and the [LOG CoP Product Support Key References](#) site. Additionally, DAU and the Office of DoD Corrosion Policy and Oversight have developed a related Web-based continuous learning module, [Corrosion Prevention and Control Overview \(CLM038\)](#).

### New Provisioning & Cataloging Training Available

[Provisioning & Cataloging \(CLL038\)](#) is a new Web-based continuous learning module with information on basic provisioning and cataloging as an integral part of identifying and fielding initial and replenishment spares in support of weapon systems product support and sustainment.

### Defense AT&L Magazine May-June Edition

Featuring: **3D Printing**  
*How Much Will It Improve the DoD Supply Chain of the Future?*

By Robin Brown, Jim Davis, Mark Dobson and Duane Mallicoat

Imagine a day when replacing a part means going to a 3D printer instead of to a warehouse. Will supply chain management be ready for the coming revolution?

