



OGE'S EDUCATION AND COMMUNICATION AWARDS - 2010 WINNER'S CIRCLE FACT SHEET

Environmental Protection Agency

DESCRIPTION

EPA developed training for their Deputy Ethics officials. One of the training courses is an on-line course that can be used for new or experienced ethics officials. This course provides basic training on key ethics areas and features useful resource documents and links for ready reference. The other training course is a narrative flowchart "How to Review Invitations and Gifts for Political Appointees in Accordance with the Lobbyist Gift Ban." The flow chart explains how to review invitations and gifts to determine if they present lobbying gift ban problems. This training course also includes a 2-page introduction covering such questions as who is affected by the lobbyist gift ban, what is a gift, and who's a registered lobbyist.

PURPOSE

The on-line course was developed in response to feedback from a self-assessment survey of agency ethics officials. The narrative flow chart was developed to help ensure deputy ethics counselors provided consistent advice to EPA's political appointees.

PRODUCT ADAPTABILITY

Anyone who knows how to create websites can take a copy of the on-line course and modify it for their agency needs.

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