Dear Utah Chapter NIGP Members,

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I can hardly believe it’s June already! Even with a pandemic, time seems to fly. We know many of you are busy as fiscal year end approaches and schools wind up another school year. We hope you’ll find time to breathe once in a while and get a break, however small, this summer.

Our next Brown Bag learning seminar with the State of Utah will be held on Thursday, June 17th. We hope you’ll make time to join us.

We want to announce a change to one of our chapter sponsored virtual courses. Here is the line up we currently have available:

August 10, 2021 (1/2 Day): Competency Module- Specification Development
October 12, 2021 91 Day): Competency Module- Cost, Price & Value Analysis

We hope you’ll consider participating in one or more of these professional development opportunities. A portion of class fees will be returned to the chapter and used to provide scholarship assistance to our chapter members. If you need financial assistance to participate in these courses, please let us know and we’ll get you information on our next scholarship period that you can apply for. Please take the opportunity to apply! We do have funds available and want to help our members with their educational and career endeavors.

We will be opening registration this summer for our Fall Virtual Procurement Conference on September 16, 2021. Please let your vendors know to watch for registration details and encourage them to participate. Vendors will be able to attend and/or sponsor the conference, and funds earned from them will help us pay for costs associated with our in person Reverse Trade Show that we hope to have in Spring 2022. We appreciate your help in getting the word out to our vendor communities.

Thanks to those that participated in our survey recently on Certificate and Degree options in conjunction with Southern Utah University. Your feedback has been invaluable, and SUU is currently drawing up ideas on how we can move forward with either certificate or degree programs. We’ll be working with them for the next several months to create programs that will be helpful to you as our chapter members. We’ll get you details on the programs as soon as we can get them drawn up and in place. We are excited for these new educational and certificate opportunities to become available.

Please enjoy your upcoming summer plans with family and friends. We appreciate each of you and the fantastic job you do every day. We look forward to meeting with you again in person in November.

Have a fantastic day!

Yours Sincerely,

Tonya Hodges, President

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**Future NIGP Meetings**

*September 16, 2021.*

Time TBD in case we can meet in person.

*November 18, 2021.*
### Time TBD in case we can meet in person.

**Future Brown Bag Learning Series**

Dates June 17, 2021

(Please see more info below)

- July 15, 2021
- August 19, 2021

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**Broward Health scandal flares again with guilty plea by former purchasing executive.**

**June 1, 2021** – Ex-Broward Health procurement boss Brian Bravo pleaded guilty today to a federal conspiracy charge, admitting that he accepted kickbacks from vendors and a consultant in exchange for awarding them lucrative government contracts. Sentencing is set for Aug. 12. Bravo faces up to five years in prison.

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**The Alpine School District is hiring a Senior Buyer.**

The job of Senior Purchasing Agent is done for the purpose/s of providing support to educational processes with specific responsibility for implementing district wide purchasing activities in compliance with mandated requirements; overseeing daily activities; develop, negotiating and administering contracts; responding to a range of inquiries regarding processes or bid status and/or sources; and achieving department objectives and goals within budget. This job reports to Director of Purchasing.

Click [here](https://mail.google.com/mail/u/0?id=6917dd345e&view=pt&search=all&permthid=thread-f%3A1702648516206773812%7Cmsg-f%3A1702649227458) to learn more.

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**TOPIC:** Self-Affirmation: Why you and your job are important

**PRESENTER:** Blake Theo Porter and his sidekick, Nicholas Draper Hughes

DATE: June 17, 2021 TIME: 12:00 - 1:00 PM

REGISTRATION LINK: [https://forms.gle/c2yZbK1Q2VxuxZrk8](https://forms.gle/c2yZbK1Q2VxuxZrk8)
We need you!!!
Historian and Communication Involvement volunteer positions are open.
We are also looking for volunteers for the 2022 Reverse Trade Show Committee!
If you are interested in serving on NIGP Board or participating on the 2022 Reverse Trade Show Committee,
please send an email to president@nigputah.org.

Click on the link below to see your 2021 NIGP Board members.
Utah Chapter Board Members

Are you doing something AWESOME in procurement or life in general? Let us know. Life is short, we would love to celebrate your success!

For newsletter submissions, recommendations, or comments, please email Cat Turner at Caturner@utah.gov.

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