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PDS XXIV

PDS San Diego

Attendee News

Here at PHMA we are well on the way in our preparation for PDS XXIV San Diego, *The Path to Excellence: Efficiency and Effectiveness Through Education.*

[Registration is now open!](#)

We hope that you will take a few moments to read through this newsletter containing important information regarding PDS.



News from the Registrar

Did you know you can make changes to your registration at any time? Just use the link and confirmation provided in your confirmation email.

If you have any questions regarding registration or need to cancel your registration please contact: **Breanna Smith** breannasmith@earthlink.net
703-771-1888 x12

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Service Specific Pages

Visit the PDS Website

Each Service has posted specific information for their attendees, including travel information, dress code and Service Day agendas. Check back frequently for updates.

Hotel Amenities: Town and Country Resort

This year at PDS the Town and Country resort will be offering PDS attendees special amenities, including:

- Internet Wi-Fi available for free in all guest rooms
- Free access to the fitness center
- Shuttle service to the Gas Lamp District
- Free Parking

Make sure you have made your hotel reservations [online!](#)

Service Notes

Army Notes:

Per Army Directive 2011-20 dated 14 OCT 11, any Army organization seeking to sponsor or co-sponsor a conference or seminar must now receive prior approval from the Administrative Assistant to the Secretary of the Army's (AASA) office.

The Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff for Installation Management (OACSIM) has submitted a request to the AASA, but until this

request is approved, Army employees are prohibited from registering for PDS or making any travel arrangements to attend the seminar.

Any individuals violating this directive will be personally liable for these costs. OACSIM will send out notifications once an answer from the AASA is received.

Individuals with questions should contact either Ms. Elizabeth Liggett

(elizabeth.k.liggett@us.army.mil) or Ms. Megan Purkey (megan.purkey@us.army.mil).

Marine Corps Notes:

We look forward to an exciting PDS this year in San Diego CA at the Town and Country hotel. Funding: Attendees are responsible for securing funding at their respective installation level for this training

Service Notes (continued)

venue; HQMC is not funding centrally this year. I will be your PHMA PDS Service rep again this year along with Mr. Bill Salter. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at

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See you in San Diego!!!



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All the San Diego Information You Need

PHMA has been working hard on collecting and posting all of the information you will need to have a successful trip to San Diego.

You can download our [San Diego FAQ](#) that answers questions about restaurants and shopping around the hotel and how to get around the area.

We also have our [PDS Q&A](#) that

answers PDS questions including trade show information and dietary restrictions.

The [PDS Website](#) also has information like transportation and airport shuttle contact numbers and rates.



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