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## **Did you earn six or more Professional Ethics Practitioner (PEP) credits in calendar year 2025?**

If so, apply for your annual PEP certificate **before January 31, 2026** by completing the [Application for PEP Certificate \(2025\)](#). An unhidden link to the application is provided below.

Unhidden Link to Application for PEP Certificate (2025):

<https://extapps2.oge.gov/PEP/PEP2025/PEP2025.nsf/PEP?OpenForm>

## **Would you like to work towards an annual PEP certificate in calendar year 2026?**

As described in the Program Advisory (PA) titled, “A Comprehensive Guide to New and Ongoing Professional Development Opportunities in Ethics,” [PA-22-05 \(PDF\)](#), all ethics officials can work towards an annual PEP certificate. OGE designed the annual PEP certificate for ethics officials who are performing some or all functions of an ethics program at full competency and who wish to maintain their skills and stay current with policy changes and developing practices in the ethics profession. To learn more about the annual PEP certificate, please review the [PEP Explainer \(PDF\)](#).

Each year, OGE hosts a variety of offerings that are eligible for PEP credits, such as virtual lectures on recent advisories, peer-to-peer and other workshops, Designated Agency Ethics Official (DAEO) meetings, networking events, community meetings, and recorded and interactive trainings on a wide range of ethics topics. Keep an eye out for future emails from OGE announcing these offerings to the ethics community, and remember, many other offerings eligible for PEP credits are readily available in the [Institute for Ethics in Government's course library](#).

You can use the [PEP Progress Chart \(PDF\)](#) to record the offerings you watch/attend and track your progress throughout the year.

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