The Center for Industrial Research and Service (CIRAS) seeks to make Iowa better by educating its businesses about services to government agencies. Ninety-four Procurement Technical Assistance Centers (PTACs), including CIRAS, form a nationwide network of more than 600 dedicated professionals who work to help local businesses sell their products and services to government agencies.

We're inviting you to learn more about a major part of CIRAS programming. Celebrate National PTAC Day on Sept. 16 hanging Two Ways CIRAS Serves You Online. This year, CIRAS has made some changes to how we'll handle webinars and roundtables going forward.

Recently, to help you better, we've been working hard to meet your educational needs in cyberspace, opening up roundtable discussion groups, and hosting more than 80 webinars involving networking opportunity, this time without leaving your desk.

Get ready to take advantage of another quality, daylong learning and conference and reformatting it for cyberspace. The 2020 ILC Virtual Annual Conference is slated to include a fantastic keynote address from Col. Candice Frost, a Muscatine native and current director of foreign intelligence for the U.S. Army G-2 within Army Network Command. The conference will feature case studies and discussion groups on the importance of diversity and inclusion in manufacturing industries, as well as other topics.

Registration is now open for the Iowa Lean Consortium's Annual Virtual Conference, which is geared toward professionals who work to help local businesses sell their products and services to government agencies. The conference will feature case studies and discussion groups on the importance of diversity and inclusion in manufacturing industries, as well as other topics.

Upcoming Conferences, Training, & Workshops

- **September 15th**
  - ILC Virtual Tour - Almaco (Entellect LLC)
  - COVID-19 Manufacturer Roundtable
  - Subcontracting Webinar
  - ISU Supplier Orientation
  - ILC Round Table - Work From Home Lessons Learned ...So Far

- **September 16th**
  - ILC Virtual Annual Conference Registration Now Open
  - National PTAC Day
  - Celebrate National PTAC Day on Sept. 16

- **September 17th**
  - Manufacturing Boot Camp

- **September 23rd**
  - GSA Consolidation: The Facts You Need to Know (Presented by Courtney Fairchild, Global Services)
  - Subcontracting Webinar

- **September 28th**
  - COVID-19 Manufacturer Roundtable

- **October 5th**
  - ILC: Diversity & Inclusion for the Manufacturing Industry

- **October 6th**
  - Training Within Industry (TWI)

- **October 7th**
  - Inventory Control Models: Part 2
  - Risk Management in Manufacturing: Playing Offense - Thriving in Defense

- **October 8th**
  - Preparing for Automation Among Small and Medium Size Manufacturers
  - Manufacturers Introduction to a State Agency

- **October 9th**
  - Lean Sigma Green Belt Boot Camp
  - Thriving in Defense - Playing Offense - Risk Management in Manufacturing

- **October 13th**
  - Plant Layout Simulations with Flow Planner

- **October 15th**
  - Virtual Materials Lab Tour
  - Services Administration in Region 6
  - TrueRemove

- **October 16th**
  - Counting for the Future: A Virtual Annual Conference

- **October 19th**
  - ISO 9001 Certification: What Are the Benefits to Your Company?
  - ILC: Diversity & Inclusion for the Manufacturing Industry

- **October 20th**
  - Services Administration in Region 6

- **October 21st**
  - ISO 9001 Certification: What Are the Benefits to Your Company? (Part 2)

- **October 22nd**
  - Services Administration in Region 6

- **October 23rd**
  - ISO 9001 Certification: What Are the Benefits to Your Company? (Part 3)

- **October 26th**
  - Services Administration in Region 6

- **October 27th**
  - ISO 9001 Certification: What Are the Benefits to Your Company? (Part 4)

- **October 28th**
  - Services Administration in Region 6

- **October 29th**
  - ISO 9001 Certification: What Are the Benefits to Your Company? (Part 5)

- **October 30th**
  - Services Administration in Region 6

- **October 31st**
  - ISO 9001 Certification: What Are the Benefits to Your Company? (Part 6)

- **November 3rd**
  - Services Administration in Region 6

- **November 4th**
  - ISO 9001 Certification: What Are the Benefits to Your Company? (Part 7)

- **November 5th**
  - Services Administration in Region 6

- **November 6th**
  - ISO 9001 Certification: What Are the Benefits to Your Company? (Part 8)

- **November 10th**
  - Services Administration in Region 6

- **November 11th**
  - ISO 9001 Certification: What Are the Benefits to Your Company? (Part 9)

- **November 12th**
  - Services Administration in Region 6

- **November 13th**
  - ISO 9001 Certification: What Are the Benefits to Your Company? (Part 10)

- **November 16th**
  - Services Administration in Region 6

- **November 17th**
  - ISO 9001 Certification: What Are the Benefits to Your Company? (Part 11)

- **November 18th**
  - Services Administration in Region 6

- **November 19th**
  - ISO 9001 Certification: What Are the Benefits to Your Company? (Part 12)

- **November 20th**
  - Services Administration in Region 6

- **November 23rd**
  - ISO 9001 Certification: What Are the Benefits to Your Company? (Part 13)

- **November 24th**
  - Services Administration in Region 6

- **November 25th**
  - ISO 9001 Certification: What Are the Benefits to Your Company? (Part 14)

- **November 26th**
  - Services Administration in Region 6

- **November 27th**
  - ISO 9001 Certification: What Are the Benefits to Your Company? (Part 15)

- **November 28th**
  - Services Administration in Region 6

- **November 29th**
  - ISO 9001 Certification: What Are the Benefits to Your Company? (Part 16)

- **November 30th**
  - Services Administration in Region 6

- **December 1st**
  - ISO 9001 Certification: What Are the Benefits to Your Company? (Part 17)

- **December 2nd**
  - Services Administration in Region 6

- **December 3rd**
  - ISO 9001 Certification: What Are the Benefits to Your Company? (Part 18)

- **December 4th**
  - Services Administration in Region 6

- **December 5th**
  - ISO 9001 Certification: What Are the Benefits to Your Company? (Part 19)

- **December 6th**
  - Services Administration in Region 6

- **December 7th**
  - ISO 9001 Certification: What Are the Benefits to Your Company? (Part 20)

- **December 8th**
  - Services Administration in Region 6

- **December 9th**
  - ISO 9001 Certification: What Are the Benefits to Your Company? (Part 21)

- **December 10th**
  - Services Administration in Region 6

- **December 11th**
  - ISO 9001 Certification: What Are the Benefits to Your Company? (Part 22)

- **December 12th**
  - Services Administration in Region 6

- **December 13th**
  - ISO 9001 Certification: What Are the Benefits to Your Company? (Part 23)

- **December 14th**
  - Services Administration in Region 6

- **December 15th**
  - ISO 9001 Certification: What Are the Benefits to Your Company? (Part 24)

- **December 16th**
  - Services Administration in Region 6

- **December 17th**

- **December 18th**
  - Services Administration in Region 6

- **December 19th**
  - ISO 9001 Certification: What Are the Benefits to Your Company? (Part 26)

- **December 20th**
  - Services Administration in Region 6

- **December 21st**
  - ISO 9001 Certification: What Are the Benefits to Your Company? (Part 27)

- **December 22nd**
  - Services Administration in Region 6

- **December 23rd**
  - ISO 9001 Certification: What Are the Benefits to Your Company? (Part 28)

- **December 24th**
  - Services Administration in Region 6

- **December 25th**
  - ISO 9001 Certification: What Are the Benefits to Your Company? (Part 29)

- **December 26th**
  - Services Administration in Region 6

- **December 27th**
  - ISO 9001 Certification: What Are the Benefits to Your Company? (Part 30)

- **December 28th**
  - Services Administration in Region 6

- **December 29th**
  - ISO 9001 Certification: What Are the Benefits to Your Company? (Part 31)

- **December 30th**
  - Services Administration in Region 6

- **December 31st**
  - ISO 9001 Certification: What Are the Benefits to Your Company? (Part 32)