Ontario Association of Children's Aid Societies

OACAS Supply Chain Code of Ethics

Goal: To ensure ethical, professional and accountable BPS supply chain activities.

a) Personal integrity and professionalism:

Everyone must act, and be seen to act, with integrity and professionalism. Honesty, care and due diligence must be integral to all procurement activities. Respect must be demonstrated and confidential information must be safeguarded. Participants of procurement activities must not engage in any activity that may create, or appear to create, a conflict of interest, such as accepting gifts or favors, providing preferential treatment, or publicly endorsing suppliers or products.

b) Accountability and transparency:

Procurement activities must be open, accountable, fair and transparent, and conducted with a view to obtaining the best value for money. Resources are to be used in a responsible, efficient and effective manner.

c) Compliance and continuous improvement:

Individuals involved with procurement activities must comply with this Code of Ethics and the laws of Canada and Ontario. Individuals should continuously work to improve the procurement process and share leading practices.