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Question: What does a facility need to do to comply with the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards (CFATS) Personnel Surety Program requirements that are in effect now that the program has been implemented?

Answer: DHS recommends that facilities familiarize themselves with the contents of the notice of implementation available at <https://www.federalregister.gov/articles/2015/12/18/2015-31625/chemical-facility-anti-terrorism-standards-personnel-surety-program>, but no action is required until the facility is contacted by the Department.

Because DHS is rolling out the Personnel Surety Program in a phased manner, facilities should wait to be contacted by the Department before altering their Site Security Plan (SSP)/Alternative Security Program (ASP). The Department will be contacting Tier 1 and 2 facilities on an individual basis, walking them through the necessary information to add to their SSP/ASP, and providing an optional supplement that identifies the information the Department will require in order to make a determination on the facility's ability to satisfy Risk-Based Performance Standard (RBPS) 12(iv).