

# **PURCHASE CARDS**

***GOODS & SERVICES***

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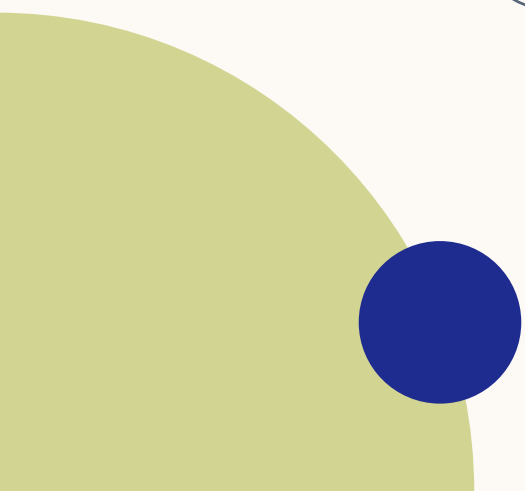
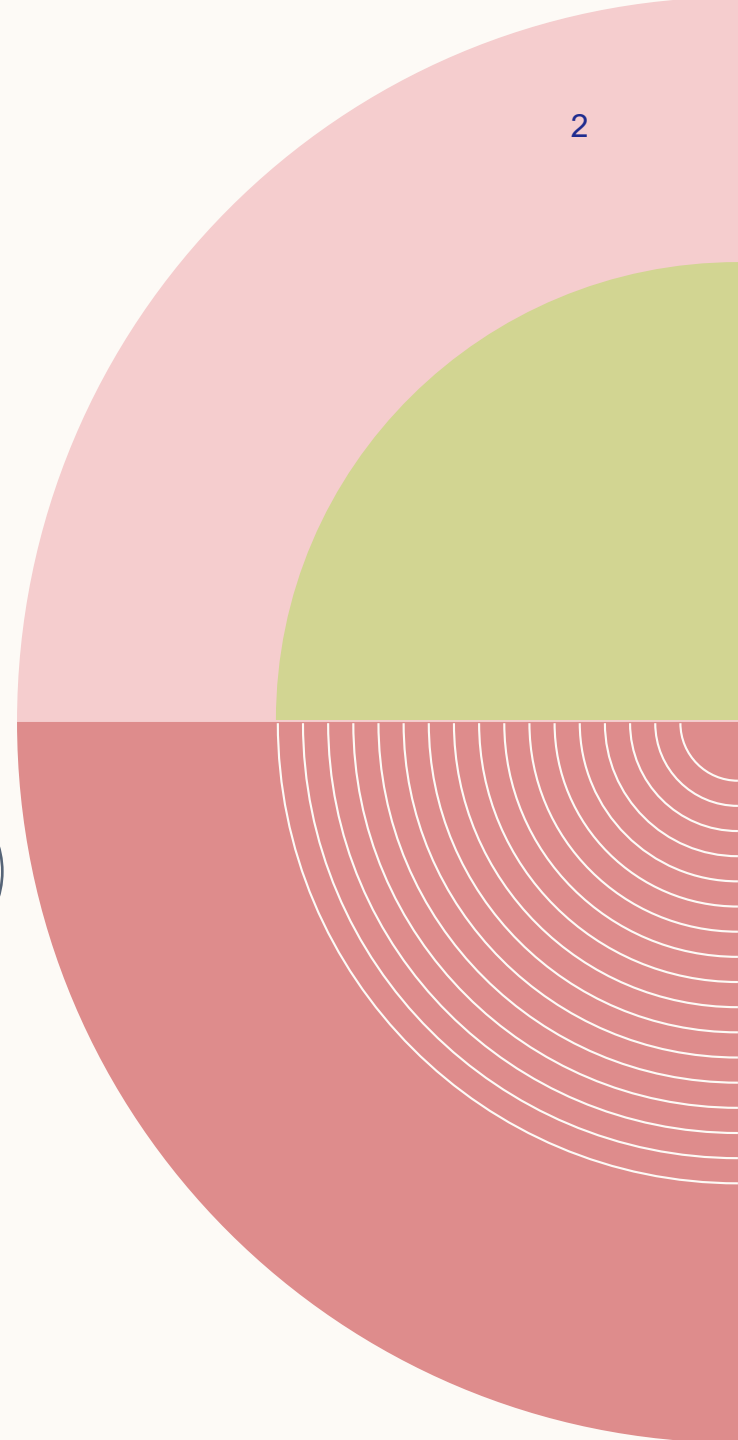
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## *Additional Resources:*

- [ORE – Student Financial Hub Website](#)
- [Procurement – Pcard: G&S User Guides](#)
- [Pcard Reconciliation Dates](#)





**PURCHASE CARDS  
= PCARDS**

# HOW DO I GET MY P-CARD?

- Attend P-card Training.
- Complete the policy acknowledgement form.

## Card holders will need to:

- Reconcile p-card monthly
- Keep all receipts
- Comply with all Institute p-card and purchasing policies.

- Failure to meet these terms, will result in confiscation of your p-card.
- Once you complete your training and form, you can expect your p-card to arrive within 5-10 days.

# WHAT IS A P-CARD?

Visa credit card issued by US Bank

16 digit account number, first 8 numbers are unique to Caltech

Cardholder's name and Caltech appears on card

Works the same as a personal card except Caltech pays the monthly bill: corporate liability

Merchants paid by Visa in 48 hours

Used to purchase items for the use and benefit of Caltech

Customer service 24 hours a day, 7 days a week: 1-800-344-5696



# Access Online User Profile (Optional)

- View Statements
- Setup Fraud Alerts
- See available credit
- View information about declined transactions
- Dispute transactions
- View posted transactions

# TWO TYPES OF PCARD

## GOODS & SERVICES

- All student cards have
- Allow you to purchase basic or general goods and services

## TRAVEL

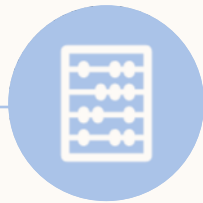
- Student cards do NOT have
- Will not be able to purchase
  - Hotels
  - Airbnb's or similar sites
  - Flights
  - Rental Cars
  - Other travel related items

# ROLES OF PARTICIPANTS

Role	Responsibilities
Cardholder	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Only one who can make purchases</li><li>• Will verify receipt and conformance</li><li>• Will retain electronic/paper documentation</li><li>• May reconcile</li><li>• Resolve disputes with the merchant</li></ul>
Expense Delegate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Allocate charges and submits reports for approval</li><li>• Retains documentation</li><li>• Assists in disputes with merchants</li></ul>
Expense Approver	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Reviews applications</li><li>• Determines spending limits</li><li>• Reviews and electronically approves report</li></ul>



# P-CARD BASICS



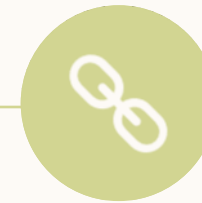
## CARD

- Institute issued credit cards supplied by USBank.
- *Not tied to your SSN*
- Complete training & policy ack. form to receive one.
- Used like any other credit card.
- Tied to House PTA and draws directly each month.



## CARD LIMITS

- \$3,500 single purchase
- \$15,000 monthly
- Can be temporarily raised for specialized purchases



## CARD HOLDERS

- Maximum of 3 P-cards per house
- 2 Months of overlap with previous Treasurer
  - Will close former card holders on 4/28

# P-Card Policy Overview

- Cardholder must secure and guard the P-Card as one is accountable for all purchases made with their card.
- Basic card limits: \$3,500 single/\$15,000 monthly
- All purchases must be for use and benefit of Caltech
- CardQuest Foreign Receipt Addendum required for receipts in a foreign language
- Reconciliation deadline: end of business day of final download
- Periodic Audits conducted by the P-Card Team and Auditors
- Violations of the policies and procedures may result in cardholder retraining and/or card revocation
- Fraudulent misuse will result in disciplinary action

# P-CARD RESTRICTIONS AND RULES

## You may NOT:

- Have a p-card until you attend p-card training
- Forget to reconcile your p-card each month. Reminders will be provided from the Pcard Office.
- Purchase marijuana or any other drugs
- Purchase Animals
- Purchase Weapons/Ammunition
- Use for Leases and long-term rentals
- Radioactive/Hazardous materials
- Caltech SmartCash
- Donations of any kind
- Split orders
- Venmo
- *Purchase Gift Cards\**
- Purchase personal items for yourself or any other house member. **This card is for House expenses only. Individual use is not allowed.**

# RECONCILING AN ACCIDENTAL PERSONAL CHARGE

## CASH

1. You will need to take the filled out the [Cashier Deposit form](#) to the Caltech Credit Union.
  - a. Department = House and/or ORE
  - b. Payment Method = Cash / input the cash amount you will be depositing
  - c. Your CardQuest Report # is XXXX
    - a. You can find this in CardQuest by clicking on Report name
  - d. Don't worry about Traveler Name
  - e. Check the 'Reimbursement' box
  - f. For PTA = House PTA.
    - a. The Finance office will deduct it from the PTA and then reconcile it on the back end once the office recognizes/process your deposit at that Credit Union.
2. At the Credit Union, tell them that you have a cash deposit for a pcard personal expense.
3. They will review, stamp, and fill out the bottom portion of the form.
4. Then scan and email a copy of the completed form to [financedropbox@caltech.edu](mailto:financedropbox@caltech.edu) (The Hub can do this for you as well).
5. You will also need to attach the completed form to your pcard report along with the receipt.

## CHECK

1. You will need to take the filled out the [Cashier Deposit form](#).
  - a. Department = House and/or ORE
  - b. Payment Method = Check #
  - c. Your CardQuest Report # is XXXX
    - a. You can find this in CardQuest by clicking on Report name
  - d. Don't worry about Traveler Name
  - e. Check the 'Reimbursement' box
  - f. For PTA = House PTA.
    - a. The Finance office will deduct it from the PTA and then reconcile it on the back end once the office recognizes/process your deposit at that Credit Union.
2. Make a copy of the filled out Cashier Deposit Form.
3. Place the Form and the Check in an envelope, with your name and house on it.
4. Walk over to the Spalding Building and deposit the check in the Financial Drop Box
5. The Drop Box is a physical box that is located in the post office area to the left of the teller window, next to the ATM. There is a sign.
6. You will also need to attach the completed form to your pcard report along with the receipt.

# Gifts & Gift Cards Policy

## Gift Cards

Per **IRC Section 132(a)4**, gift cards purchased for employees and students are considered taxable income. Gift card purchases for students and employees is tax reportable to the Payroll office regardless of the amount

## Tangible Gifts

Per **IRC 132 (e) Reg. 1.132-6 (b)**, Caltech has determined that tangible gifts with a value of \$75 and greater is tax reportable to the student or employee recipient and shall be reported to the Payroll office.

### Expense Type for Gift Cards

CIT Employee or Student Recipient (Any Value)	Non-CIT Employee (Any Value)
Other-Gift/Awards	Goods Simple

### Expense Type for Tangible Gifts

CIT Employee or Student Recipient (Less Than \$75.00)	CIT Employee or Student Recipient (Greater Than \$75.00)	Non-CIT Employee (Any Value)
Goods Simple	Other-Gift/Awards	Goods Simple



# NDA 889 Federal Regulation

1. Section 889 of the *John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act* prohibits government contractors from providing the federal government with telecommunications or video surveillance equipment, systems, or services (or an essential component thereof) produced or provided by five Chinese companies are:

- \* Huawei Technologies Company
- \* ZTE Corporation
- \* Hytera Communications Corporation
- \* Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company
- \* Dahua Technology Company

2. Separately, Section 889 prohibits government contractors from using these prohibited items or services, regardless of whether they are used in the performance of work under a federal contract. An updated list of these five companies' subsidiaries can be found [here](#). (Note: Caltech credentials are required for access)

# NDAA 889 Federal Regulation (cont.)

As a government contractor (recipient of federal funds), Caltech must comply with Section 889 across all transactions. Therefore, if you purchase goods or services on behalf of Caltech, **do not purchase any equipment, system service, or component thereof produced by or provided by these companies, their subsidiaries, or their affiliates.**

Section 889 provides narrow exceptions. If you believe that you require an exemption from Section 889's prohibitions, consult with the Director of Procurement Services or the Associate Director of Purchasing Services **prior to purchasing the prohibited item or service.**

For additional information, visit Caltech's NDAA 889 webpage:

<https://researchcompliance.caltech.edu/export/national-defense-authorization-act-ndaa-section-889>

# LOST / STOLEN CARD

1. Contact US Bank (*optional*)
  2. Contact & inform the Student Financial Hub (Miranda or Jess)
  3. The Hub will loop in the Pcard Office and the Pcard Office will alert US Bank.
  4. Pcard Office will also close the current card and re-issue another card.
  5. New Card will arrive with in 5-10 days.
- ❖ *If you lose your Pcard more than once, you may not be issued another card depending on the circumstances.*



# Lost/Stolen Card

<b>Lost or Stolen P-Card</b>	<b>Contact US Bank Customer Service 1-800-344-5696</b>  <b>Contact a P-Card Administrator</b>
<b>Intercepted P-Card</b>	<b>Contact US Bank Customer Service 1-800-344-5696</b>  <b>Contact a P-Card Administrator</b>

# FRAUDULENT CHARGES

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4. Pcard Office will also close the current card and re-issue another card.
5. New Card will arrive with in 5-10 days.
6. You will be asked to sign a STATEMENT OF FRAUD that will be mailed to you by US Bank.
7. You will also need to process a special CardQuest Report, stating the charges are fraudulent.
8. Once US Bank receives the STATEMENT OF FRAUD and verifies the charges. US Bank will issue a credit to your account.
  - You will be asked again to process a special CardQuest Report to clear those charges.

# Fraud

- Fraud cases should be initiated over the phone **(1-800-344-5696)**.  
*Please do not use mail, fax or online processes to initiate fraud.*
- Fraud must be reported within 60 days of the transaction date
- You will be asked to close your card.
- If the fraud charges posted, a credit will be applied to the new account
- The cardholder will be sent a Statement of Fraud to confirm that they did not authorize those transactions
  - **If the signed Statement of Fraud is not received by the bank, the new account will have the charges reapplied and the cardholder will be liable to pay for them**

*The **Fraud and Dispute Process** document is available upon request explaining the processes in more detail.*

# TEMPORARY LIMIT INCREASES REQUESTS

***\*INCREASES UP TO 8K ARE ONLY ALLOWED ON STUDENT CARDS***

Contact the Hub to  
request temp.  
increase

Include the following information  
in your request:

- House
- Amount of purchase
- Reason for Increase

Things to think  
about:

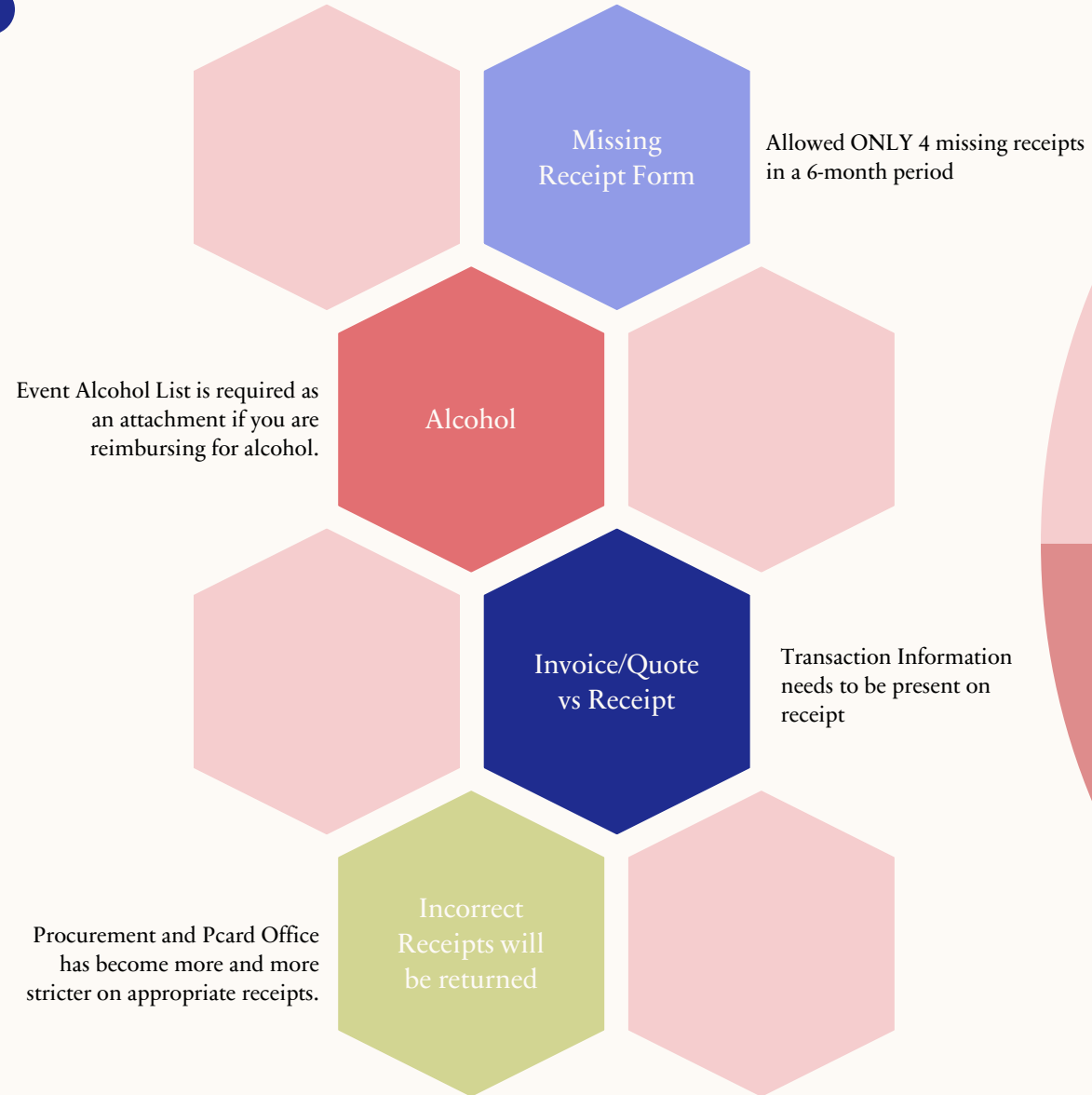
Don't split payment, Always increase

Timing – need 2-4 days to finalize

Travel related items can not be  
purchased through pcard increase

If you have a tight timeline, may be  
best to use a Hub pcard.

# RECEIPTS



# MISSING RECEIPT FORM

**CardQuest**  
Missing Receipt Form


<b>Report Type (select one)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Goods & Services <input type="checkbox"/> Travel (missing receipts form required for travel expenses over \$75.00)
<b>Report Name</b>
<b>Item Description</b>
<b>Business Purpose</b>
<b>Reason Receipt is missing</b>
<b>Cardholder Name</b>

**\*\* Only 4 missing receipt forms will be accepted in a 6 month period \*\***

- You are allowed only 4 missing receipts in a 6-month period
- Attached this form to your expense report in place of the receipt.
- Report Name = What you name the report.

# APPROPRIATE RECEIPTS





**CARDQUEST**





# CARDQUEST AND HOW IT WORKS




## BASIC INFORMATION

- Daily transactions downloaded electronically from Visa into CardQuest
- Billing Cycle (begins on 16th & ends on 15th of every month)
- Email notifications/reminders sent when there are transactions to reconcile


## REPORTS

- Create report, move charges
- Enter item description and business purpose, and sales tax if applicable
- Allocate to PTAs
- Submit monthly transaction reports online with e-receipts for approval within system

# CARDQUEST LANDING PAGE

SAP Concur  Travel Expense App Center Help  Profile 

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**+**  
Start a Report

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Enter Reservation

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Upload Receipts

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View Trips






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Available Expenses

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Open Reports

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### TRIP SEARCH

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
Trips departing within 24hrs must be booked directly with a Christopherson Travel Advisor during normal business hours Monday-Friday 5:00am-5:00pm PT.

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### COMPANY NOTES

Reconciliation for the Month:  
The reconciliation deadline for the month of January is **Wednesday, January 18, 2023**. The final download will be completed by 6:00 am on January 18, 2023. Please reconcile all available transactions, and **submit the report by 5:00 pm, Wednesday, January 18, 2023**. For assistance, please email [cardquesthelp@caltech.edu](mailto:cardquesthelp@caltech.edu).

Default PTAs [Read more](#)

### MY TASKS

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Available Expenses →

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You currently have no available expenses.

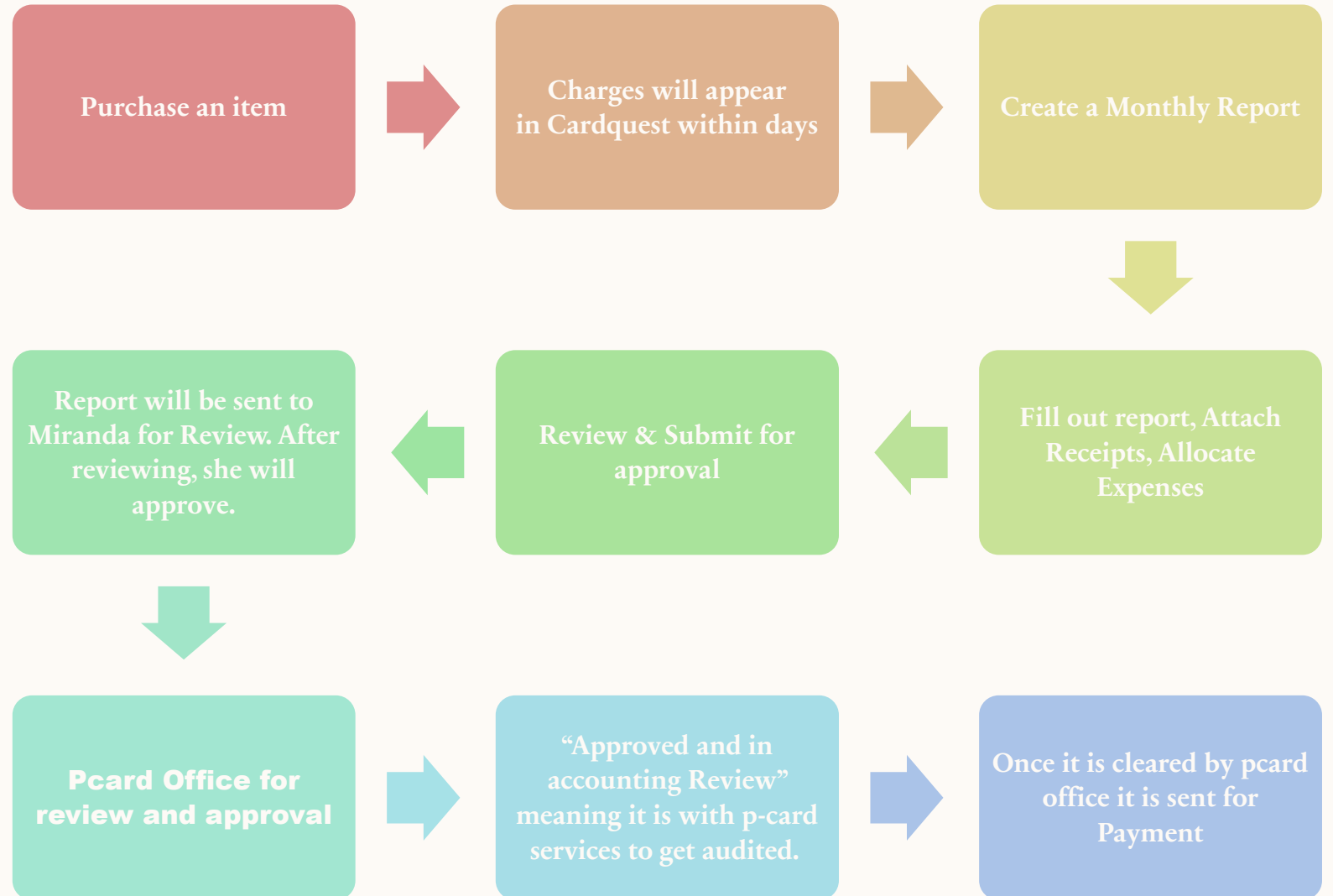
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Open Reports →

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01/17 **December 2022**  
\$108.55

# CARDQUEST WORKFLOW



# PCARD CHARGES WITHIN OBI

When pcard charges are waiting to be paid.

The pcard transactions will show up in OBI as 'commitments'.

This means that the charges have not been charged to the PTA account but are committed to be once approved.



# **EXPENSE REPORTS**

# IMPORTANT EXPENSE REPORT INFORMATION

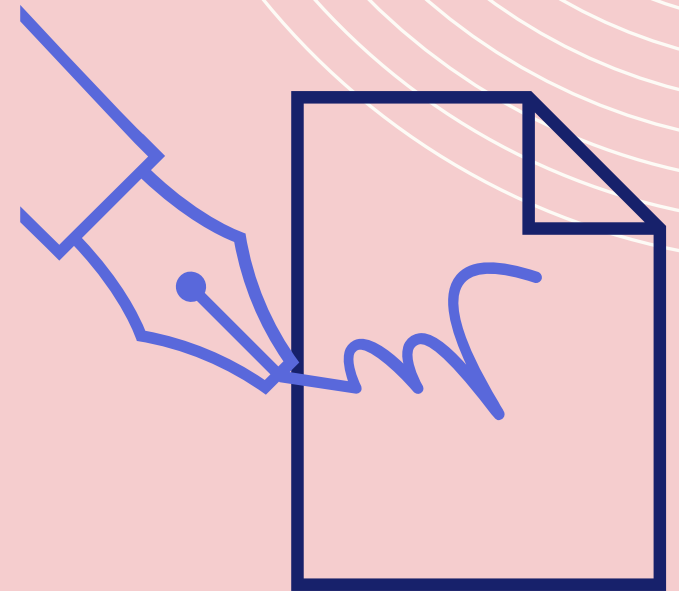
Access → Administrative Services → CardQuest

Goods & Services Expense Report (not a Travel Report)

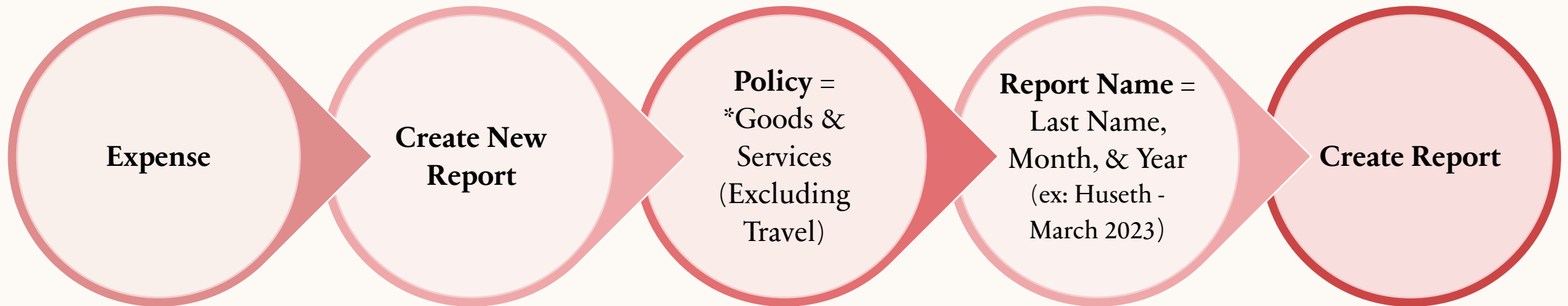
Reconciled Once a month

If the transaction has sales tax shown on the receipt, you must enter it in a separate tax field.

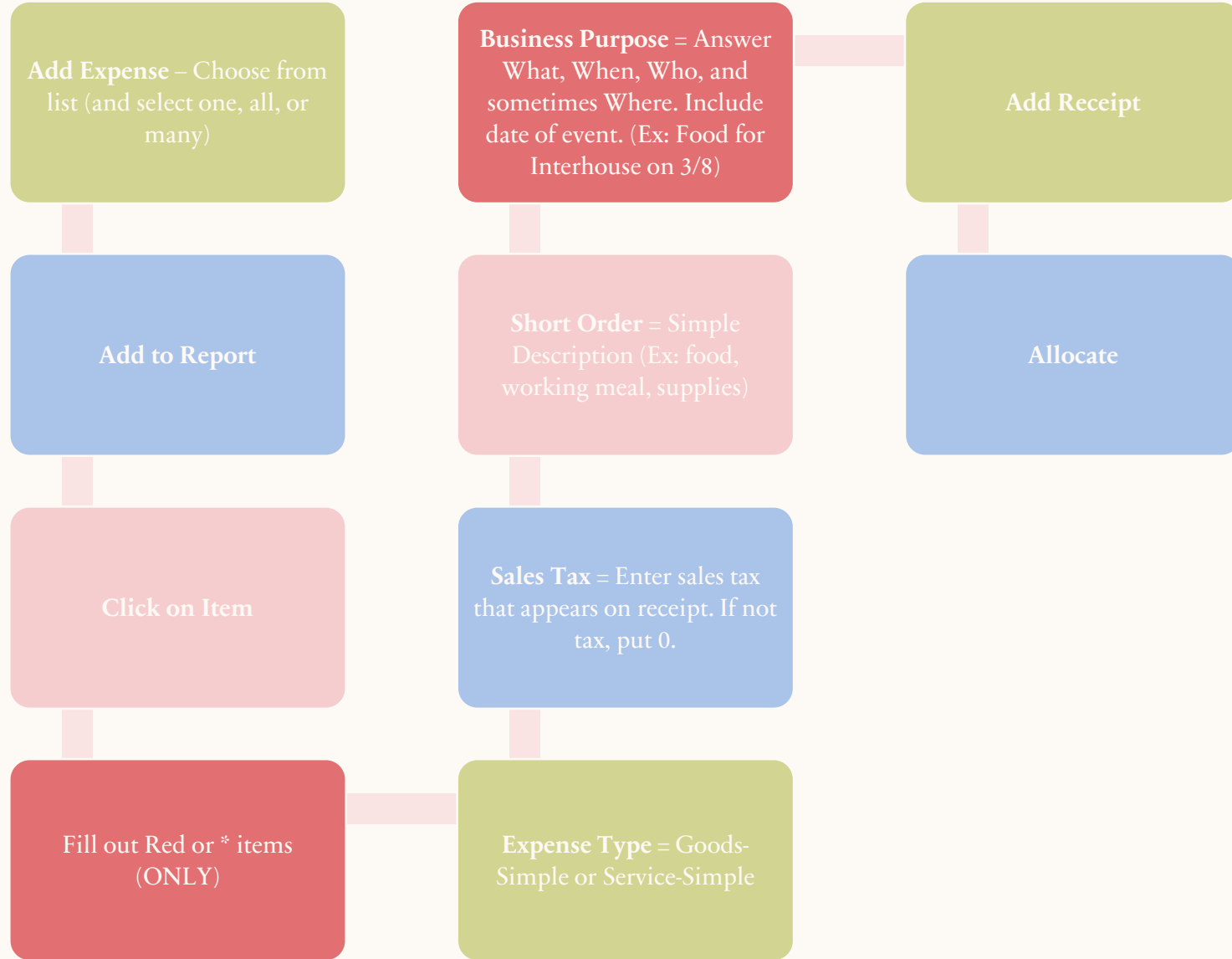
If you don't have any transactions on your account, you don't have to do an expense report



# CREATING A NEW REPORT



# FILLING OUT REPORT





# PTA ALLOCATION

Add

**Project/Task/Award:**  
Your House PTA should appear automatically.  
If it doesn't, you can search for it by deleting and typing PTA in appropriate bar.

Federal/Not Federal =  
Non-Federal (always)

**Expenditure = Supplies-**  
Unallocable or Supplies-  
Allocable (80%  
Unallocable vs 20%  
Allocable)

Save

# ADDITIONAL REPORT INFO

- Upload New Receipt from computer Desktop
- Forward emailed receipts to [receipts@concur.com](mailto:receipts@concur.com)
- Setup within CardQuest settings
- Concur App
- Setup within CardQuest settings

Multiple Ways to Add Receipts



- Can allocate to multiple PTAs for one transaction
- If all your transactions will be the same PTA, there is a way to do one allocation for all transaction within a report

PTA Allocation



- Need a Pcard to set up
- Pcard office manages & will set up for you

Caltech Amazon Business Account



# ADDITIONAL REPORT INFO

## CardQuest and TechMart Descriptions Guides

### Short Description

Simple Description

*Food, working meal, supplies, programming items, etc.*

*\*There is a difference between food and working meal*

*Food – supply for an activity, ingredient*

*Working Meal – meal with a meeting*

### Business Purpose

Answer What, When, Who, and sometimes Where

Include a date of the event, program, activity

If the event has a particular name, please name it.

*Ex: ORE Working Meeting 9/5*

*Blacker RA Event 10/2*

*Techfest Vendor Payment 9/30*

*Tickets for Kings Game 10/13*

Office supplies don't need a when (date) but a where (which office)

*Ex: Office Supplies for Bechtel Office*

**Choosing an expense type:** 90% of the time you will choose Supplies Allocable or Unallocable

### Allocable

Supplies/items that benefit or contribute to Caltech's mission or bottom line

*Ex: Programming costs for a specific event, office supplies, working meals, etc.*

### Unallocable

Supplies/items that don't directly benefits to Caltech's mission or bottom line

*Ex: non-direct supplies, non-programming or working meals, entertainment, etc.*

*\*Most of the House's expenses will be this*

### **Other useful expense types:**

#### **Food**

Supply for a program, event, or activity. Is it an essential part of the activity.

#### **Catering**

Large amount of food for a particular event. Large scale.

#### **Entertainment**

Entertainment on a large scale. Ex: Concert performer, ice skating for house event.

#### **Transportation**

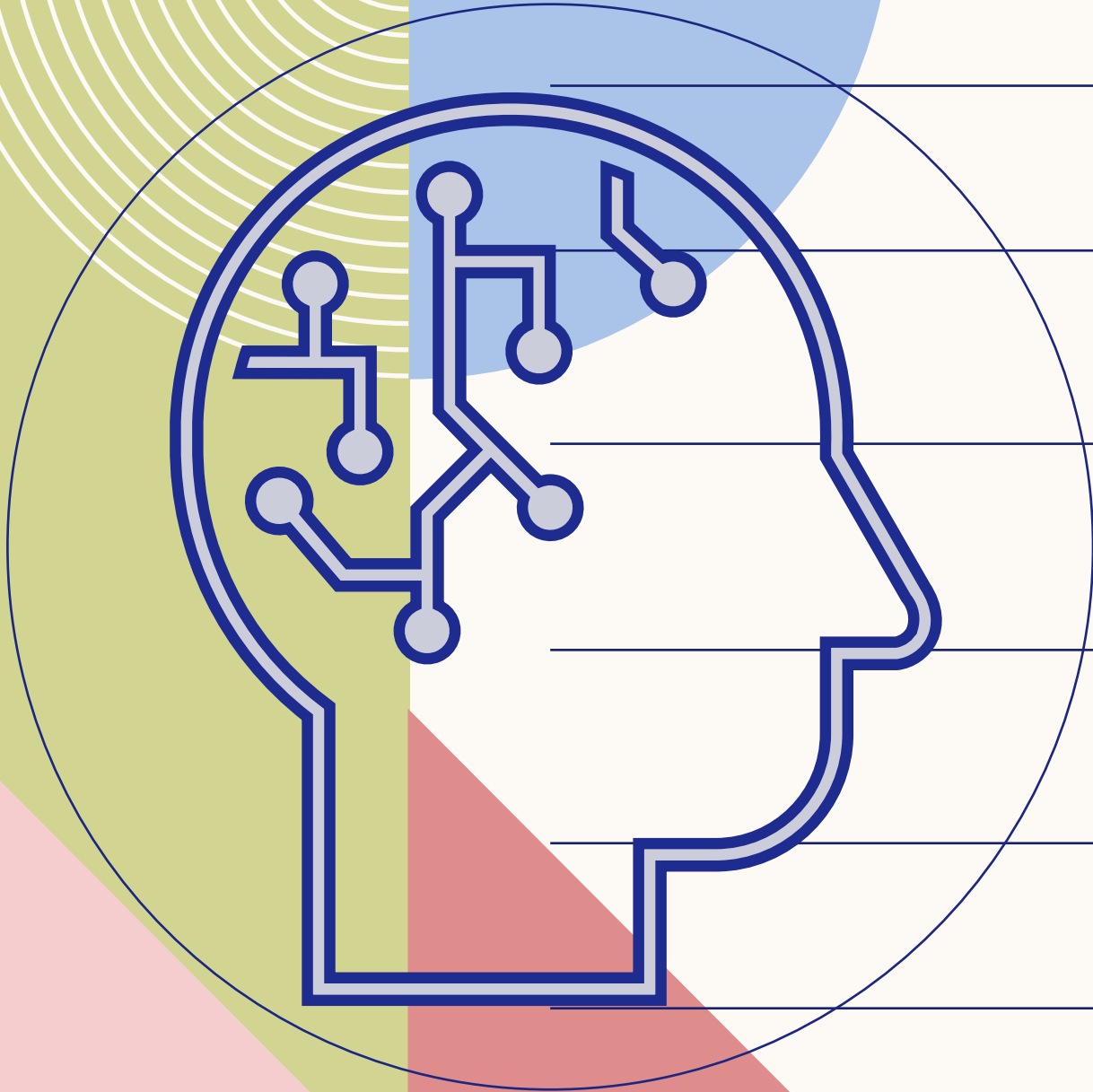
Transportation to and from a Caltech sponsored activity, event, or program.

# PCARD POLICY PENALTIES

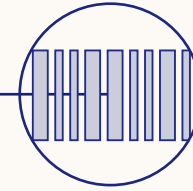


## Actions that could land you in pcard probation.

1. Failure to reconcile your CardQuest Report
2. Too many missing receipts
3. Too many lost pcards
4. Failure to abide by procurements & pcards purchasing policies



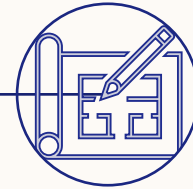
G&S / No Travel



Pcard Limit = \$3500  
Temp Limit Increase



Monthly Expense / Cardquest  
Reports



Appropriate Receipts



Card Issues = Ask for help



3 Strikes

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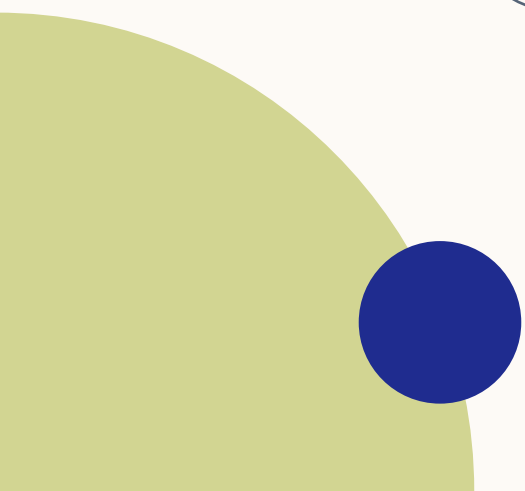


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**QUESTIONS**





QR Code for  
Session Survey.

Please fill out.  
*Thank you!*

## PCARD TRAINING

