

NITAAC CIO-SP4 and Small Businesses

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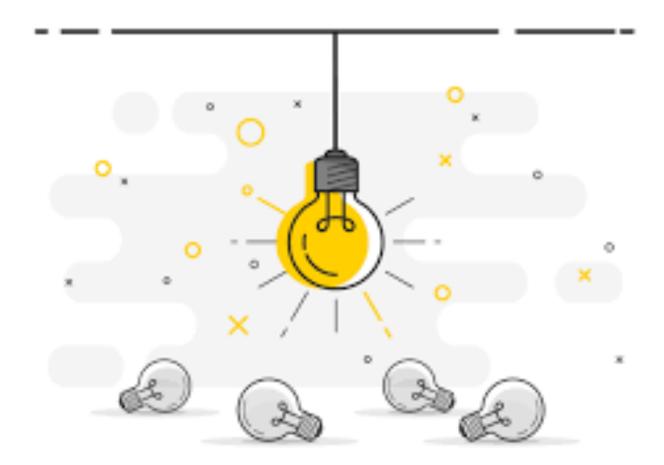
CIO-SP4 Overview

- CIO-SP4 builds upon the success of CIO-SP3 and CIO-SP3 Small Business.
- CIO-SP4 addresses and mitigates key challenges the government and industry face while administering CIO-SP3 and CIO-SP3 Small Business.
- CIO-SP4 will streamline the government's administrative burden.
- CIO-SP4 will offer contract management efficiencies to contract holders.



Insights that Helped Shape CIO-SP4

- 1. A two-GWAC concept creates increased administrative burden for both the government and the contract holder.
- 2. The current GWAC structure prohibits small businesses from viewing and proposing on every opportunity issued in e-GOS.





Anticipated Changes for CIO-SP4

- 1. The ceiling value of each contract will increase from \$20 billion to \$40 billion.
- 2. POP will be changed from a ten-year base to a five-year base with a five-year option. Individual contract holder options will be exercised at the discretion of NITAAC.
- 3. CIO-SP4 may use a phased evaluation approach that requires vendors to fill out a self scoring sheet. The scoring sheets may be evaluated using a point system and cut-off.
- 4. Corporate experience will be used as an evaluation factor.
- 5. The most important part of the Draft RFP is Section C Statement of Work, which includes 10 task areas, many of which have been expanded upon or further defined including a couple of additions.
- 6. Small business set-asides of all types (SB, HUBZone, SDVOSB, and 8(a)) will continue to be a significant part of performance in CIO-SP4.



Anticipated Changes for CIO-SP4...continued

- 7. The NIH has identified a range of anticipated awards in each of the business sizes and socioeconomic categories.
- 8. The number of small business awards will likely stay about the same from CIO-SP3 to CIO-SP4. Although a company may receive multiple award in various small categories, they will receive only one contract number, unless they also receive an 8(a) contract.
- 9. The government may or may not conduct a ramp-on under CIO-SP4. The government is more likely to provide the opportunity for Small Business contract holders to increase their number of task area capabilities.
- 10. The CIO-SP4 contract may contain more robust off-ramp language that encourages more contract holder participation.
- 11. Our ordering system, e-GOS, will be revamped to include more features and generally reorganize things to be more efficient.
- 12. The due date for the NCAF will be extended from 10 days to 20 days.



Opportunities for Small Businesses

- With the current vehicle structure, small businesses are prohibited from proposing on every opportunity that is issued through e-GOS.
 - CIO-SP4 is a one GWAC concept.
 - It will enable small businesses to propose on every requirement that comes out.
 - This will effectively eliminate the challenge of small businesses being siloed by their size, something many contract holders indicated they experienced with CIO-SP3.
- The move to one GWAC may make it possible to set-aside task orders for small businesses and specifically for socioeconomic categories, such as women-owned businesses and Native American and Alaska Native owned firms.



Thank You!



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