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Workforce 3.0

Attachment 1: Scope and Ordering Guide

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7 **SECTION I**

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9 **1.0 DESCRIPTION OF RELATIONSHIP**

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11 **1.1 Purpose.**

12 The purpose of this IDIQ solicitation is to form contractual relationships necessary to deliver workforce components
13 of the “world-class technology firm” that is a core tenet of the PEO 3.0 Strategy. As such, the resulting IDIQ
14 contracts are referred to as “Workforce 3.0” and will be supported by the other PEO 3.0 efforts.

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16 Workforce 3.0 is a managed solution that leverages innovative new processes, methods, and/or best-in-class
17 methodologies from the private sector to enable the entire PEO DHMS workforce to deliver world-class technology.

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19 Contractor employees shall not perform inherently governmental functions as discussed in FAR Subpart 7.5,
20 “Inherently Governmental Functions” nor personal services as defined in as discussed in FAR 37.104.

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22 **1.2 Background**

23 As a nation, our health is one of our most critical and important resources. Whether in the context of maintaining
24 economic output, the readiness of our military to defend our national security, or paying the debt we owe to those
25 who made sacrifices to do so, a healthy society is the engine for these activities. The Office of the National
26 Coordinator (ONC) recently published its 2020-2025 Federal Health IT Strategic Plan (the “Plan”), laying out the
27 Federal Government’s role in healthcare and how it uses Health Information Technology (Health IT) to fulfill that
28 role. In short, the Government regulates, purchases, and uses healthcare while also regulating, purchasing,
29 developing, and using Health IT. The Plan further lays out some of the biggest challenges facing the healthcare
30 industry and how the Government plans to use technology to address these and improve health outcomes. Among
31 these are cost growth, capacity in the system, and poor health outcomes especially in areas such as obesity,
32 substance abuse, and mental health.

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34 PEO DHMS is a key Federal Health IT partner, and is chartered to deliver the single Electronic Health Record
35 (EHR) and other Health IT for the Departments of Defense (DoD), the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), and
36 the United States Coast Guard (USCG). Sitting at the nexus of healthcare and defense, which together account for
37 approximately 40% of that national budget, PEO DHMS is in a unique position to substantially impact strategic
38 challenges facing the nation. National defense, like healthcare, faces challenges in resources, capacity, and
39 capability that can be addressed through innovative technology strategies.

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41 In its official Purpose, Goals, and Strategies (PGS) document, PEO DHMS lays out its vision for maximizing its
42 impact on healthcare and defense. While many tend to equate PEO DHMS with EHR, PEO DHMS and its
43 subordinate/partner offices have a considerably broader and continually expanding mission. According to data
44 collected by ONC, EHR adoption across the country is approaching 100% (Office of the National Coordinator for
45 Health Information Technology, OCT 2020). The Federal Health IT Strategic Plan looks well beyond core EHR
46 capabilities while PEO DHMS missions are pivoting to provide comprehensive health management, advanced data
47 applications, improved usability, reduced provider/patient burden, and other priorities. PEO DHMS recognizes
48 technology will enable these missions to achieve success.

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50 PEO DHMS delivers on these missions with a strong workforce comprised of federal civilians from multiple
51 Agencies, military personnel from each Service, support contractors, and Prime mission product contractors. This
52 workforce is organized into major program offices, project teams, coordinating offices, and a back office/corporate
53 team.

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55 PEO DHMS’ workforce strives to deliver world-class technologies in the health information field. In order to
56 succeed at one of the Department of Defense’s most important missions, PEO DHMS must, to the greatest extent
57 possible, ensure its technologies and conduct are indistinguishable from those of leading private-sector technology
58 firms. This includes:

- 59 ● Frictionless and seamless solutions and products that create the best possible user experience
- 60 ● Quality products to drive demand from Government and non-Government users
- 61 ● Increased competition and ignited innovation from other Health IT developers in the private sector

- Attracting the best people in these fields to join and stay in the PEO DHMS workforce

To achieve these lofty and worthy goals, PEO DHMS must undergo a fundamental shift in how it does business. In its continual evolution to achieve these objectives, PEO DHMS has transitioned across three distinct operational paradigms:

- (2013 - 2014) The first and previous phase, **PEO 1.0**, was launched via the 2013 Secretary of Defense (SECDEF) charter to establish an Electronic Health Record (EHR) for use by the Department of Defense (DoD) DoD and the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). This phase represents the “crawl” of the PEO DHMS organization as operational processes were identified and initially established.
- (2014 - Present) The second and current phase, **PEO 2.0**, is anchored by the successful procurement and ongoing deployment of the MHS GENESIS EHR. This phase represents the “walk” of the PEO DHMS organization as operational processes entered sustainment and flagship products were launched into the market to achieve initial customer value.
- (Present - 2026) This third and next phase, **PEO 3.0**, is characterized by achieving a digitally transformed organization with ambitious year-over-year growth in product portfolio value and customer outcomes. This phase represents the “run” of the PEO DHMS organization as focus shifts from internal organizational deployment to fostering external product development across the portfolio.
- PEO DHMS seeks to launch the PEO 3.0 phase in FY21 with a four-pronged strategic effort that mirrors the operational strategies of leading commercial counterparts: *Workforce 3.0* (“WF3”) to perform business support services, *Workplace 3.0* (“WP3”) to provide business infrastructure, *DevMAC* to provide software development support services, and *Federal XaaS* (“XaaS”) to provide software development infrastructure. For communications purposes, this strategy has been distributed through a graphical metaphor outlining parallels to the construction industry.

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Inherently, the more time passes, the more a given set of circumstances change. Since PEO 2.0 began, there has already been substantial change throughout the PEO portfolio of programs, and more change is certain in the coming years, most likely at an accelerated pace.

Notably, on 01 JUL 2017, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs (VA) issued a Determination and Findings (D&F) pursuant to 41 U.S.C. § 3304(a)(7) that it was in the public interest for VA to issue a solicitation directly to Cerner for the acquisition of the EHR system being deployed by the DoD, in order to enable seamless healthcare to Veterans and qualified beneficiaries. Moreover, on 22 MAR 2018, the Deputy Commandant for Mission Support, United States Coast Guard (USCG), formally requested to partner with PEO DHMS to implement MHS GENESIS for the USCG to ensure that every military beneficiary and retiree has access to a single, unified Electronic Health Record. These decisions set off a chain of events that created a need to rethink how health IT products behave across all PEO DHMS programs and at partner agencies. These events ultimately resulted in Congress’ creation of the Federal Electronic Health Record Modernization Program Office (FERHM), chartered in DEC 2019. The FEHRM tightly partners with and works side-by-side with PEO DHMS to implement health IT across the Federal ecosystem. This focal point for Federal health IT has already significantly increased the complexity of the PEO DHMS mission and is likely to

118 drive further growth as additional health IT partners are brought into the fold, and additional technology needs are
119 identified.

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121 PEO DHMS recognizes that these changes will drive considerable growth in requirements and complexity.
122 Moreover, PEO DHMS is cognizant that the organization is not currently constructed to handle even its current
123 product line efficiently let alone a significantly expanded one. In order to maintain its ability to meet this rapidly
124 growing mission, without requiring substantial additional resources which may not be available, substantial
125 transformation of its operations are required. As a result, PEO DHMS developed a comprehensive strategy to
126 transform into a world-class technology organization.

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128 To begin, PEO DHMS engaged in identifying specific and measurable characteristics of a “world class technology
129 organization.” The resultant assessments supported the conclusion that PEO 2.0 was some way off the standard of a
130 mature, let alone a world-class, organization.

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132 Perhaps more telling than the roll-up scores are some of the statements from current PEO and Program leadership in
133 the figure below (comments are non-attributional, sources are omitted for privacy reasons):

- 134 ● “[There is] no coherent strategy; everyone has a different answer. We need to know what we want to be,
135 [need to] know where we want to go, and need to have someone who has a voice for the customer.”
- 136 ● “One of key things is we’re all here for the mission - some of us hang on because we believe and are
137 passionate about the mission. But it needs to trickle down to how we do that on a day-to-day basis. You can
138 love the mission but not understand how to satisfy the mission.”
- 139 ● “Some [people] are lazy, some want to be spoon fed, and sometimes people don’t have an understanding of
140 what’s going on. They have blinders on purpose [but] there are times that there’s clarity needed.”
- 141 ● “We want to be more like [industry]. We want good people around; you know it when you see it.”
- 142 ● “We’re not taking advantage of [our] vehicles to get the best and brightest out of Silicon Valley. There are
143 people out there; why can’t they support us?”
- 144 ● “DHMS should have a culture of being inspired. Innovation is the result of being inspired; but right now,
145 we aren’t inspired.”

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147 Overwhelmingly, the assessments drive a conclusion that the level of organizational transformation required is
148 substantial and that the PEO DHMS working environment is not currently able to recruit, retain, or leverage the
149 talent required to deliver high quality technology products. World-class technology organizations are incredibly
150 competitive in the talent market. Many best practices and techniques that make organizations attractive to the best
151 talent are traditionally unavailable in Government, especially in the DoD. In many cases, existing policies and
152 standards are significant barriers to performing as a world-class technology organization. This will substantially
153 complicate any effort to transform.

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155 Moreover, persistent blockers across the enterprise result in downstream degradation of personnel morale. A recent
156 Defense Health Agency (DHA) staff survey indicated a Net Promoter Score (NPS) of (-20) in employee fulfillment
157 (Defense Health Agency, JAN 2021). This is substantially lower than industry-wide figures ranging from 27 on the
158 lowest end for Healthcare and 71 on the highest end for Education & Training (Retently, 2020).

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160 **1.3 Outcomes**

161 When the transformation efforts are complete, the PEO will:

- 162 1. Manage a portfolio of product teams and products that prioritize the experience of those using the products
- 163 2. Have a culture that prioritizes continuous improvement, rapid decision-making, and streamlining business
164 priorities by maximally leveraging policy and regulatory flexibilities to adopt the very best practices in
165 each area of its business.
- 166 3. Be a center of excellence for dynamic, multifaceted technologies, platforms, applications, and cyber
167 security compliance.
- 168 4. Adopt effective communications with internal and external stakeholders.
- 169 5. Employ technology operations that reduce redundancies across the organization to achieve cost savings and
170 improve agility.
- 171 6. Drive collaboration between the federal government, industry, and academia to improve the nation’s health.
- 172 7. Expertly manage the portfolio to rapidly deliver capabilities across the organization.

- 173 8. Recruit high-performing, innovative personnel who are accountable to the organization's mission by
174 making PEO DHMS an employer and business partner of choice.
175 9. Follow efficient and accountable processes that support corporate operations and audit readiness.

176 **SECTION II**

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178 **2.0 IDIQ CONTRACT SCOPE**

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180 **2.1 Scope**

181 PEO DHMS defines Workforce 3.0 as a self-driven, high-agency talent pool focused on actively enabling PEO
182 DHMS to achieve its strategic vision and the strategic vision of its subordinate organizations. These ambitions must
183 be achieved while continuously and incrementally transforming PEO DHMS into a high-achieving technology
184 organization that can deliver world-class technology. Workforce 3.0 will be a seamless, badge-less team working in
185 concert to achieve the goals necessary to deliver the PEO DHMS vision. The Workforce will include Government
186 employees and military personnel fulfilling inherently governmental functions, providing strategic direction,
187 performance management, and stakeholder engagement. However, Government personnel cannot deliver all
188 capabilities necessary to operate and transform a high-achieving technology company. This contract will form the
189 relationships with industry necessary to deliver those capabilities; subject matter expertise; and related studies,
190 assessments, plans, and models.

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192 The Government considers a managed solution to cover the full breadth of digital workforce capabilities from
193 technical, administrative, and organizational, across its subordinate and full partner organizations (e.g., the Federal
194 Electronic Health Record Modernization (FERHM) office, the United States Coast Guard, DHA Health Informatics,
195 etc.). In this manner, a managed solution will enable one seamless workforce where an individual's Agency or
196 employment status does not affect the individual's experience at work and where this condition can easily scale and
197 accommodate fluctuations in demand rapidly. It is an actively managed "stack" of capabilities, where the burden
198 does not fall on the Government to execute tactical actions, perform all critical thinking, or specify labor
199 requirements. Additionally, the managed solution must be capable of rapid evolution as the needs of the workforce
200 or cutting-edge technology and capabilities evolve. The overarching outcome desired by PEO DHMS of this effort is
201 that the Workforce will have the same capabilities and talent of a leading-edge technology firm. PEO DHMS will
202 measure the results of contract performance against the extent to which this outcome is satisfied, considering the
203 strategic goals being pursued by its organizations. It is critically important to emphasize that for PEO DHMS to
204 attract/retain the caliber of workforce it requires; solutions should include the full "stack" of capabilities and
205 innovative teaming arrangements. Workforce solutions should ensure the "stack" contains the most cutting-edge
206 private-sector ideas and methodologies throughout.

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208 Contract Types: Task Orders shall be Firm Fixed Price (FFP)

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210 **2.2 Lot Definitions**

211 WF3 consists of two (2) Task Order lots covering differing aspects of the transformation. The SF-1449 specifies to
212 which Lot each awardee is assigned, and each prime awardee is assigned to only one of the two Lots.

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214 Awardees **cannot** propose on Task Order Fair Opportunity competitions in a lot to which they are not assigned. A
215 prime contractor from Lot 1 may not perform as a subcontractor on Lot 2.

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217 **2.2.1 Lot 1**

218 Lot 1 consists of Task Orders necessary to establish one, seamless team accountable for achieving the specified
219 transformation and growth metrics over a specified length of time to be continuously evaluated against the
220 overarching outcomes specified in Paragraph 1.3. This Lot includes the work necessary to ensure that all functions
221 necessary for operation of the "world class technology" organization are performed in accordance with the agreed
222 upon designs. Lot 1 awardees are accountable to the overall delivery of the new workforce paradigm.

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224 **2.2.2 Lot 2**

225 Lot 2 awardees will perform the work necessary to solve finite, specific projects that cover the full spectrum of
226 complexity and difficulty, and may result in the delivery of events, reports, studies, processes, or operations. Rather
227 than focusing on the full breadth of transformation and operation over a specified duration, and on an annual basis
228 like Lot 1, Lot 2 orders will identify one or more specific problems to be solved over flexible durations, when they
229 are identified. Lot 2 orders may independently supplement the functions and transformation activities occurring in
230 Lot 1 from time-to-time. It is expected that more than one Lot 2 order will be active, solving their respective
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2.3 Responsibilities

2.3.1 Contracting Officer (CO)

The CO is responsible for the award, administration, and management of the IDIQ contract and any solicitations, source selections, Task Orders and Task Order modifications utilizing the Workforce 3.0 IDIQ contract.

- Proactively partners with, maintains, and manages relationship with contractors, especially on higher-visibility/prime mission efforts
- Provides advice and guidance to appointed Contracting Officer Representative (CORs), senior leaders, and WF3 primary contract holders regarding all WF3 related matters
- Understands execution of WF3 operational and transformational activities and maintain readiness to satisfy business needs
- Provides direction, oversees changes, and referees all WF3 related issues
- Product manager for contracting products (e.g., RFPs, Source Selections), including reporting status/risk/schedule for contracting events
- Provides final decisions on contract matters in coordination with leadership
- Coordinates/approves public communications about contracting matters
- Appoints and terminates all CORs utilizing WF3 and provides contract specific training to all appointed CORs
- Determines if/when Ad-Hoc Task Orders are necessary

2.3.2 Government Board of Directors

The Government BoD consists of executive leaders to include but not limited to the PEO Director and Director of Contracting.

- The BoD will meet at the Government discretion no less than quarterly
- Ensures WF3 transformational activities remain in alignment with overall PEO 3.0 Strategy
- Approves proposed transformation designs
- Provides advice, guidance, and assistance to the Contracting Officer
- Helps with WF3 issue resolution when elevated, especially when an issue involves more than one product team
- Oversees “Gamechanger” award plan and Incentive evaluation operations

2.3.3 Task Order Contracting Officer Representatives (CORs)

- Monitor and evaluate contractor performance using Quality Assurance Surveillance Plan (QASP) and provide data supporting logical follow-on/Fair Opportunity determinations
- Monitor contractor adherence to PWS and manage deliverables submitted by contractor (i.e., CDRLs)
- Gather and provide periodic reporting of performance to Contracting Officer (as requested)
- Manage and ensure all aspects of compliance (e.g., Government Furnished Property, assets, training, key personnel, etc.)
- Ensure COR reports are uploaded in JAM monthly
- Assist Contracting Officer with CPARs as needed
- Elevate issues to the Contracting Officer when issues cannot be resolved at lowest level
- Onboard and Off-board WF3 contractors (CACs, badges, etc.); if applicable
- Assist with Task Order closeout

2.3.4 Contractors (IDIQ level)

Shall provide point of contact information for the following:

- Contract Specific Issues/Awards/Modifications
- Task Order Proposal Request Inquiries
- Executive Leadership Engagement/Inquiries
- Ask Me Anything Sessions
- Adhere to the proposal procedures for WF3
- Update POC information with the Government
- Report any issues to COR and Contracting Officer (as required)

- 341 almost anywhere,
- 342 • Fostering a culture of professional development and personal growth,
 - 343 • Encouraging open two-way communication without negative repercussions for honest feedback,
 - 344 • Discouraging inconsistent treatment of employees based on being physically present versus being digitally
 - 345 present,
 - 346 • Upholding diversity, equity, and inclusiveness as a key strategic priority,
 - 347 • Promoting a badge-less, seamless structure that does not discriminate staff based on their corporate
 - 348 alignment,
 - 349 • Fostering curiosity and the pursuit of innovation in both functional and technical endeavors,
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351 The Government believes these attributes are necessary and justified for achieving a successful, enduring digital
352 transformation. Industry partners cannot merely enact such changes amongst Government personnel; these changes
353 must be reflected in the Industry partner's own organization. When organizations have cultures grounded in holistic
354 wellness, employees perform better and are more resilient in challenging times. When employees can adequately
355 care for their needs, they can handle conflict at work with more clarity, resolve and positivity.

356 **3.7 Standards of Practice**

357 In lieu of traditional Quality Control (QC) and Quality Assurance, the Government and industry partners will agree
358 to: 1) a set of targeted strategic outcomes and associated objective measures of effectiveness, and; 2) method for
359 verifying and documenting level of achievement, specific to that Task Order. Achievement of minimum agreed
360 targets shall define satisfactory performance. Exceeding minimum targets shall serve as the basis for awarding
361 incentive and/or "gamechanger" compensation in accordance with the Addendum to FAR Clause 52.212-4. These
362 metrics will also be utilized to evaluate past performance and whether the efficiency and effectiveness logical
363 follow-on Fair Opportunity exemption may apply.

366 **3.8 Common Access Card (CAC)**

367 The CAC is standard identification for eligible DoD industry partners. As required, each WF3 worker shall provide
368 to the Government all information required per the DHA CAC request process, current version 2.1, January 2018, or
369 more recent when updated. See attached instructions.

371 **3.9 Training**

372 Industry partners shall complete all requirements, training, and forms per the DHA's Onboarding Checklist for
373 Contractor Employees, current edition February 2018 or more recent when updated. See the form at
374 https://info.health.mil/sites/DOP/OnboardingCtr/Contractor_OnBoarding_Checklist.pdf.

376 **3.10 Physical Security**

377 Industry partners shall safeguard all Government equipment, information and property provided by Government for
378 their use.

381 **3.11 Manpower Reporting**

382 WF3 industry partners who receive Task Orders of \$3M or more shall report "contractor manpower" (including
383 subcontractor manpower) via the Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD) Personnel and Readiness (P&R) secure
384 data collection site at <http://www.ecmra.mil/>. As part of its submission, WF3 industry partners shall provide the
385 estimated total cost (if any) incurred to comply with this reporting requirement. Reporting period shall be the period
386 of performance not to exceed 12 months ending September 30 of each government fiscal year and must be reported
387 by 31 October of each calendar year. Report via either Extensible Markup Language (XML) data transfer to the
388 database server, or fill in the fields on the website. Direct questions to the help desk at: <http://www.ecmra.mil/>.

391 **3.12 Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA)**

392 WF3 industry partners who will obtain access to proprietary, classified, or confidential information or any
393 information release of which is protected or governed by law or regulation associated with DHA acquisitions shall
394 complete and sign an NDA prior to beginning work. WF3 partners shall execute an NDA on behalf of their
395 companies, and shall ensure that all staff assigned to, including all subcontractors and consultants execute an NDA
protecting the procurement sensitive information of the Government and the proprietary information of other
contractors. WF3 industry partners shall execute NDAs not later than first day of employment and renew them upon

exercising a contract option period. Assignment of staff who have not executed this statement, or failure to adhere to this statement, shall constitute default on the part of the industry partner. Industry partners shall maintain originally signed NDAs of individual employees and provide copies to the COR.

3.13 Post award conference/periodic progress meetings

When directed by the Government, WF3 industry partners shall attend a post-award conference convened by the contracting activity or contract administration office in accordance with Federal Acquisition Regulation Subpart 42.5. These meetings shall be at no additional cost to the Government.

3.14 Government furnished, property, equipment and services

The Government will not furnish property, equipment or services.

3.15 Contractor furnished supplies and services

The Contractor shall furnish all supplies, equipment, facilities and services required to execute any awarded Task Order.

3.16 General Requirements Overview

Personally Identifiable Information (PII), Protected Health Information (PHI) and Federal Information Laws. This Section addresses the Contractor's requirements under The Privacy Act of 1974 (Privacy Act), The Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), and The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) as set forth in applicable statutes, implementing regulations and Department of Defense (DoD) issuances. In general, the Contractor shall comply with the specific requirements set forth in this Section and elsewhere in this Contract. The Contractor shall also comply with requirements relating to records management as described herein.

3.16.1. DTIC

This Contract incorporates by reference the federal regulations and DoD issuances referred to in this Section. If any authority is amended or replaced, the changed requirement is effective when it is incorporated under contract change procedures. Where a federal regulation and any DoD issuance govern the same subject matter, the Contractor shall first follow the more specific DoD implementation unless the DoD issuance does not address or is unclear on that matter. DoD issuances are available at <http://www.dtic.mil/whs/directives>. For purposes of this Section, the following definitions apply.

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DoD Privacy Act Issuances means the DoD issuances implementing the Privacy Act, which are DoDI 5400.11, DoD Privacy and Civil Liberties Programs, January 29, 2019 and DoDI 5400.11- R, Department of Defense Privacy Program, May 14, 2007.

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HIPAA Rules means, collectively, the HIPAA Privacy, Security, Breach and Enforcement Rules, issued by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and codified at 45 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 160 and Part 164, Subpart E (Privacy), Subpart C (Security), Subpart D (Breach) and Part 160, Subparts C-E (Enforcement), as amended. Additional HIPAA rules regarding electronic transactions and code sets (45 CFR Part 162) are not addressed in this Section and are not included in the term HIPAA Rules.

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DoD HIPAA Issuances means the DoD issuances implementing the HIPAA Rules in the DoD Military Health System (MHS). These issuances are DoDM 6025.18, "Implementation of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) Privacy Rule in DoD Health Care Programs," March 13, 2019, DoDI 6025.18, Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) Privacy Rule Compliance in DoD Health Care Programs, March 13, 2019, and DoDI 8580.02, Security of Individually Identifiable Health Information in DoD Health Care Programs, August. 12, 2015.

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Defense Health Agency (DHA) Privacy Office is the DHA Privacy and Civil Liberties Office. The DHA Privacy Office Chief is the HIPAA Privacy and Security Officer for DHA.

452 **3.17 Records Management**

453 When creating and maintaining official government records, the Contractor shall comply with all federal
454 requirements established by 44 United States Code (U.S.C.) Chapters 21, 29, 31, 33 and 35, and by 36 CFR, Chapter
455 XII, Subchapter B – Records Management. The Contractor shall also comply with DoD Administrative Instruction
456 No. 15 (DoD AI-15), “OSD Records and Information Management Program” (May 3, 2013) and Records
457 Management requirements outlined in the current TRICARE Operations Manual (TOM).
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459 **3.18 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA)**

460 The Contractor shall comply with the following procedures if it receives a FOIA request and immediately contact
461 the DHA FOIA Officer for evaluation/action.
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463 **3.18.1 DHA FOIA**

464 The Contractor shall inform beneficiaries that DHA FOIA procedures require a written request preferably sent via
465 the National FOIA Portal at: www.FOIA.gov. However, requesters may also submit requests via email at
466 DHA.FOIA@mail.mil; or via postal delivery addressed to the DHA Freedom of Information Service Center, 7700
467 Arlington Boulevard, Suite 5101, Falls Church, Virginia 22042-5101. All FOIA requests shall describe the desired
468 record as completely as possible to facilitate its retrieval from files and to reduce search fees which may be borne by
469 the requestor. Contract and/or Modification numbers must be included in all FOIA requests seeking DHA
470 procurement records. Although the administrative time limit to grant or deny a request (ten working days after
471 receipt) does not begin until the request is received by DHA, the Contractor shall act as quickly as possible and
472 respond to DHA within ten working days.
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474 **3.18.2 Requests**

475 In response to requests received by the Contractor for the release of information, unclassified information,
476 documents and forms which were previously provided to the public as part of routine services shall continue to be
477 made available in accordance with previously established criteria. All other requests from the public for release of
478 DHA records and, specifically, all requests that reference FOIA shall be immediately forwarded to DHA,
479 ATTENTION: Freedom of Information Officer, for appropriate action. Direct contact, including interim replies,
480 between TRICARE contractors and such requestors is not authorized. The Contractor shall process requests by
481 individuals for access to records about themselves in accordance with directions from the DHA Freedom of
482 Information Service Center. If such a requestor specifically makes the request under the Privacy Act or does not
483 make clear whether the request is made under FOIA or the Privacy Act, the Contractor shall process the request in
484 accordance with directions from the DHA Privacy Office. If requestor specifically seeks PHI under HIPAA, the
485 Contractor shall follow paragraph 3.23, relating to individual rights of access to PHI.
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487 **3.19 Systems of Records**

488 In order to meet the requirements of the Privacy Act and the DoD Privacy Act Issuances, the Contractor shall
489 identify to the DHA Contracting Officer (CO) systems of records that are or will be maintained or operated for DHA
490 where records of PII collected from individuals are maintained and specifically retrieved using a personal identifier.
491 Upon identification of such systems to the CO, and prior to the lawful operation of such systems, the Contractor
492 shall coordinate with the DHA Privacy Office to complete systems of records notices (SORNs) for submission and
493 publication in the Federal Register as coordinated by the Defense Privacy, Civil Liberties, and Transparency
494 Division, and as required by the DoD Privacy Act Issuances.
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496 **3.19.1 SORN**

497 Following proper SORN publication and Government confirmation of Contractor authority to operate the applicable
498 system(s), the Contractor shall also comply with the additional systems of records and SORN guidance, in
499 coordination with the DHA Privacy Office, regarding periodic system review, amendments, alterations, or deletions
500 set forth by the DoD Privacy Act Issuances, Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Memorandum 99-05,
501 Attachment B, OMB Circular A-130, and Privacy Act of 1974 requirements applicable to contractors operating
502 systems of records on behalf of federal agencies. The Contractor shall promptly advise the DHA Privacy Office of
503 changes in systems of records or their use that may require a change in the SORN.
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505 **3.20 Privacy Impact Assessment (PIA)**

506 If DHA data is stored on a Contractor owned system, a PIA is required from the Contractor.
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508 **3.21 Data Sharing Agreement (DSA)**

509 Applies if contract requirements involve the use of DHA data (including PII/PHI, a limited data set, or de-identified
510 data. The Contractor shall consult with the DHA Privacy Office to determine if the Contractor must obtain a DSA or
511 Data Use Agreement (DUA), when DHA data will be accessed, used, disclosed or stored, to perform the
512 requirements of this Contract.

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514 **3.22 DSA/DUA**

515 The Contractor shall comply with the permitted uses established in a DSA/DUA to prevent the unauthorized use
516 and/or disclosure of any PII/PHI, in accordance with the HIPAA Rules and DoD HIPAA Issuances. Likewise, the
517 Contractor shall comply with the DoD Privacy Act Issuances.

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519 **3.23 PHI**

520 Prior to using any data involving PHI for research purposes, as defined by HIPAA, the Contractor must gain
521 approval from the DHA Privacy Board. Thus, the Contractor shall comply with DHA Privacy Board requests for
522 additional documentation.

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524 **3.24 DSA Requests**

525 To begin the DSA request process, the Contractor shall submit a DSA Application (DSAA) to the DHA Privacy
526 Office. Upon approval, the requestor shall enter into one of the following agreements, depending on the data
527 involved:

- 528 • DSA for De-Identified Data • DSA for PHI
- 529 • DSA for PII Without PHI
- 530 • DUA for Limited Data Set
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533 **3.25 DSA Expiration**

534 DSAs executed for contract support will expire after 1 year or at the end of the contract option year, whichever
535 comes first. If the contractual use of DHA data will continue after the DSA expiration date, the Contractor shall
536 submit a DSA Renewal Request template to the Privacy Office; however, if the DSA will not be renewed, the
537 Contractor shall close the DSA by providing a Certificate of Data Disposition (CDD) to the DHA Privacy Office.

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539 **3.26 Privacy Act and HIPAA Training**

540 The Contractor shall ensure that its entire staff, including subcontractors and consultants that perform work on this
541 Contract receive training on the Privacy Act, HIPAA, and the federal regulations on confidentiality of substance use
542 disorder patient records, 42 CFR Part 2. Refer to FAR 52.224-3 regarding specific requirements for Privacy Training
543 appropriate to the Contractor's scope of involvement with DHA's PHI and its regulatory responsibilities as either a
544 Covered Entity, or Business Associate. The Contractor shall ensure all employees and subcontractors supply a
545 certificate of all training completion to the Contracting Officer's Representative (COR) within 30 days of being
546 assigned and on an annual basis based on the trainee's birth month thereafter.

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548 **3.27 HIPAA Business Associate Provisions**

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550 **3.27.1 Business Associate – General Provisions**

551 The Contractor meets the definition of Business Associate, and DHA meets the definition of a covered entity under
552 the HIPAA Rules and the DoD HIPAA Issuances. Therefore, a Business Associate Agreement (BAA) between the
553 Contractor and DHA is required to comply with the HIPAA Rules and the DoD HIPAA Issuances. The contractor
554 shall use the DoD BAA, which shall be used by all organizational entities within the DoD, referred to collectively as
555 the "DoD Components", located at, [https://www.health.mil/Military-Health-Topics/Privacy-and-Civil-
556 Liberties/Privacy-Contract-Language/HIPAA-Compliant-Business-Associate-Agreement-for-the-MHS](https://www.health.mil/Military-Health-Topics/Privacy-and-Civil-Liberties/Privacy-Contract-Language/HIPAA-Compliant-Business-Associate-Agreement-for-the-MHS).

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558 **3.28 Breach Response**

559 Definitions Related to Breach response.

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561 **3.28.1 Breach**

562 Breach means a loss of control, compromise, unauthorized disclosure, unauthorized acquisition, or any similar
563 occurrence where: (1) a person other than an authorized user accesses or potentially accesses PII; or (2) an

564 authorized user accesses or potentially accesses PII for an other than authorized purpose. The foregoing definition is
565 based on the definition of breach in DoDM 6025.18. Breaches are classified as either possible or confirmed (see the
566 following two definitions) and as either cyber or non-cyber (i.e., involving either electronic PII/PHI or paper/oral
567 PII/PHI).

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569 3.28.2 Possible Breach

570 A possible breach is an incident where the possibility of unauthorized access is suspected (or should be suspected)
571 and has not been ruled out. For example, if a laptop containing PII/PHI is lost, and the contractor does not initially
572 know whether or not the PII/PHI was encrypted, then the incident must initially be classified as a possible breach,
573 because it is impossible to rule out the possibility of unauthorized access to the PII/PHI. In contrast, that possibility
574 can be ruled out immediately, and a possible breach has not occurred, when misdirected postal mail is returned
575 unopened in its original packaging. However, if the intended recipient informs the contractor that an expected
576 package has not been received, then a possible breach exists until and unless the unopened package is returned to the
577 contractor. In determining whether unauthorized access should be suspected, the contractor shall consider at least the
578 following factors:

- 579
- 580 • How the event was discovered;
 - 581 • Did the information stay within the covered entity's control;
 - 582 • Was the information accessed/viewed; and
 - 583 • Ability to ensure containment (e.g., recovered, destroyed, or deleted).
- 584

585 3.28.3 Confirmed Breach

586 A confirmed breach is an incident in which it is known that unauthorized access could occur. For example, if a
587 laptop containing PII/PHI is lost and the contractor knows that the PII/PHI is unencrypted, then the contractor
588 should classify and report the incident as a confirmed breach, because unauthorized access could occur due to the
589 lack of encryption (the contractor knows this even without knowing whether or not unauthorized access to the
590 PII/PHI has actually occurred). If the laptop is subsequently recovered and forensic investigation reveals that files
591 containing PII/PHI were never accessed, then the possibility of unauthorized access can be ruled out, and the
592 contractor should re-classify the incident as a non-breach incident.

593
594 3.28.4 HHS Breach

595 A HHS breach is an incident that satisfies the definition of breach in Section 164.402 of the HIPAA Breach Rule.
596 The text of the HHS definition states:

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598 Breach means the acquisition, access, use, or disclosure of PHI in a manner not permitted under subpart E of this
599 part [i.e. the HIPAA Privacy Rule] which compromises the security or privacy of the PHI.

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601 3.28.5 HHS Breach Exclusions

602 HHS breach excludes:

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604 3.28.5.1

605 Any unintentional acquisition, access, or use of PHI by a workforce member or person acting under the authority of
606 a DoD covered entity or a business associate, if such acquisition, access, or use was made in good faith and within
607 the scope of authority and does not result in further use or disclosure in a manner not permitted under the HIPAA
608 Privacy Rule.

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610 3.28.5.2

611 Any inadvertent disclosure by a person who is authorized to access PHI at a DoD covered entity or business
612 associate to another person authorized to access PHI at the same DoD covered entity or business associate, or
613 organized health care arrangement in which the DoD covered entity participates, and the information received as a
614 result of such disclosure is not further used or disclosed in a manner not permitted the HIPAA Privacy Rule.

615
616 3.28.5.3

617 A disclosure of PHI where a DoD covered entity or business associate has a good faith belief that an unauthorized
618 person to whom the disclosure was made would not reasonably have been able to retain such information. Except as
619 provided in this definition, an acquisition, access, use, or disclosure of PHI in a manner not permitted under this

620 issuance is presumed to be a breach unless the DoD covered entity or business associate, as applicable, demonstrates
621 that there is a low probability that the PHI has been compromised based on a risk assessment of at least the
622 following factors:

- 623
- 624 • The nature and extent of the PHI involved, including the types of identifiers and the likelihood of re-
625 identification;
- 626 • The unauthorized person who used the PHI or to whom the disclosure was made;
- 627 • Whether the PHI was acquired or viewed; and
- 628 • The extent to which the risk to the PHI has been mitigated.

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630 3.28.6 Cybersecurity Breach

631 A cybersecurity incident is a violation or imminent threat of violation of computer security policies, acceptable use
632 policies, or standard security practices, with respect to electronic PII/PHI. A cybersecurity incident may or may not
633 involve a breach of PII/PHI. For example, a malware infection would be a possible breach if it could cause
634 unauthorized access to PII/PHI. However, if the malware only affects data integrity or availability (not
635 confidentiality), then a non-breach cybersecurity incident has occurred.

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637 3.28.7 General

638 3.28.7.1

639 The breach response requirements shall be followed for all unauthorized use or disclosure of information regardless
640 of whether the information is PHI or solely PII.

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642 3.28.7.2

643 Because DoD defines “breach” to include possible (suspected), as well as actual (confirmed) breaches, the
644 Contractor shall implement these breach response requirements immediately upon the Contractor’s discovery of a
645 possible breach. These procedures focus on the first two steps (breach identification and reporting) of a
646 comprehensive breach response program, but also require addressing the remaining steps: containment, mitigation
647 (which includes individual notification), eradication, recovery, and follow-up.

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649 3.28.7.3

650 The contractor shall establish internal processes for carrying out the procedures set forth below. These processes
651 shall assign responsibility for investigating, classifying, reporting and otherwise responding to breaches and
652 cybersecurity incidents. The contractor should consult with the DHA Privacy Office where guidance is needed, such
653 as when the contractor is uncertain whether a discovered breach is the contractor’s responsibility (e.g., if the
654 contractor discovers a breach not caused by the contractor), or how the contractor is to classify an incident (breach
655 vs. non-breach, confirmed vs. possible, cyber vs. non-cyber). Under no circumstances will a contractor delay
656 reporting a confirmed or possible breach to the DHA Privacy Office beyond the 24-hour deadline. In conjunction
657 with its initial investigation, the contractor shall immediately take steps to minimize any impact from the
658 occurrence, proceed with further investigation of any relevant details (such as root causes, vulnerabilities exploited),
659 and initiate further breach response steps.

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661 3.28.7.4

662 In the event of a cybersecurity incident not involving a PII/PHI breach, the contractor shall follow applicable DoD
663 cybersecurity and NIST requirements, which include United States Computer Emergency Readiness Team (US-
664 CERT) reporting (see paragraph 3.17.12.3) If at any point a contractor finds that a cybersecurity incident involves a
665 PII/PHI breach (possible or confirmed), the contractor shall immediately initiate the reporting procedures set forth
666 below. The contractor shall also continue to follow any required cybersecurity incident response procedures and
667 other applicable DoD cybersecurity requirements.

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669 3.28.7.5

670 Contractors shall require subcontractors who discover a possible breach or cybersecurity incident to initiate the
671 incident response requirements herein by reporting the incident to the contractor immediately after discovery. The
672 time of that report to the contractor shall trigger the contractor’s DHA Privacy Office reporting deadline (24 hours)
673 under paragraph 3.31.2.4. If a cybersecurity incident is involved, the contractor’s deadline for US-CERT reporting
674 (1 hour) runs from the time the incident is confirmed. The contractor shall require the subcontractor to cooperate as
675 necessary to meet these deadlines, maintain records, and otherwise enable the contractor to complete the breach

676 response requirements herein. Alternatively, the contractor and subcontractor may agree that the subcontractor shall
677 report directly to US-CERT and the DHA Privacy Office, and that the subcontractor shall be responsible for
678 completing the response process, provided that such agreement requires the subcontractor to inform the contractor of
679 the incident and the subsequent response actions.

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681 3.28.7.6

682 Contractors shall maintain records of all breach and cybersecurity incident investigations, regardless of the outcome.
683 Investigations identifying unauthorized disclosures must be logged for HIPAA and Privacy Act disclosure
684 accounting purposes, whether or not individual notification is required under the HIPAA Breach Rule.

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686 3.28.7.7

687 Contractors, when acting as HIPAA-covered entities, and not as business associates, are not subject to the breach
688 response requirements herein. However, such contractors are subject to both the HIPAA Breach Rule (applicable to
689 them in their capacity as covered entities) and DoD cybersecurity requirements (applicable to them in their capacity
690 as DoD contractors).

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692 3.28.8 Reporting Provisions

693 3.28.8.1

694 Immediately upon discovery of a possible or confirmed breach or cybersecurity incident, the contractor shall initiate
695 an investigation. If the incident involves electronic PII/PHI, and if the investigation finds a confirmed breach or
696 cybersecurity incident, the contractor shall report it, within 1 hour of confirmation, to the US-CERT Incident
697 Reporting System at <https://forms.uscert.gov/report/>, as required by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS).

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699 *Note: DHS no longer requires US-CERT reporting of non-cyber breaches or unconfirmed electronic breaches.*
700 *However, DHS permits US-CERT reporting of unconfirmed cyber-related incidents on a voluntary basis. Thus, if a*
701 *contractor is uncertain whether a possible cyber-related incident should be treated as confirmed and thus*
702 *reportable, the contractor may voluntarily report the incident.*

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704 3.28.8.2

705 Before submission to US-CERT, the contractor shall save a copy of the on-line report. After submitting the report,
706 the contractor shall record the US-CERT incident reporting number, which shall be included in the initial report to
707 the DHA Privacy Office as described in paragraph 3.31.2.4.

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709 *Note: Regardless of whether or not an incident is confirmed as a breach, the contractor must also investigate*
710 *whether or not the incident impacts data integrity or availability of PII/PHI. If such impact is confirmed, then the*
711 *incident is reportable to US-CERT as a cybersecurity incident. For guidance on investigating the impact on data*
712 *integrity and availability, refer to DoD cybersecurity and NIST guidance.*

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714 3.28.8.3

715 The contractor shall provide any updates to the initial US-CERT report by email to soc@uscert.gov, with the
716 Reporting Number in the subject line. The contractor shall provide a copy of the initial or updated US-CERT report
717 to the DHA Privacy Office if requested. Contractor questions about US-CERT reporting shall be directed to the
718 DHA Privacy Office, not the US-CERT office.

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720 3.28.8.4

721 In addition to US-CERT reporting, the contractor shall report to the DHA Privacy Office by submitting the form
722 specified below within 24 hours of discovery of a breach (possible or confirmed), unless the breach falls within a
723 category that the Privacy Office has determined to be not reportable. This 24-hour period runs from the time of
724 discovery, unlike the 1 hour USCERT reporting period, which runs from the time a cybersecurity incident is
725 confirmed. Thus, depending on the time period needed to confirm, the report to the DHA Privacy Office may be due
726 either before or after the US-CERT report.

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728 3.28.8.5

729 The breach report form required within the 24-hour deadline shall be sent by e-mail to:
730 DHA.PrivacyOfficer@mail.mil. The contractor shall also e-mail the report to the CO, the COR and its usual point of
731 contact at the applicable Program Office. Encryption is not required, because reports and notices shall not contain

732 PII/PHI. If electronic mail is not available, telephone notification is also acceptable (at 703-275-6363), but all
733 notifications and reports delivered telephonically must be confirmed in writing as soon as technically feasible.
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735 3.28.8.6

736 Contractors shall prepare the breach reports required within the 24-hour deadline by completing the Breach
737 Reporting Department of Defense Form DD 2959 (Breach of PII Report), available at
738 <https://www.esd.whs.mil/Portals/54/Documents/DD/forms/dd/dd2959.pdf>. For non-cyber incidents without a US-
739 CERT number, the contractor shall assign an internal tracking number and include that number in Box 1.e of the DD
740 Form 2959. The contractor shall coordinate with the DHA Privacy Office for subsequent action, such as beneficiary
741 notification, and mitigation. The contractor must promptly update the DD Form 2959 as new information becomes
742 available.
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744 3.28.8.7

745 When a Breach Report Form initially submitted is incomplete or incorrect due to unavailable information, or when
746 significant developments require an update, the Contractor shall submit a revised form or forms promptly after the
747 new information becomes available, stating the updated status and previous report date(s) and showing any revisions
748 or additions in red text. The Contractor shall provide updates to the same parties as required for the initial Breach
749 Report Form.
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751 3.28.9 Individual Notification Provisions

752 3.28.9.1

753 If the DHA Privacy Office determines that individual notification is required, the Contractor shall provide written
754 notification to beneficiaries affected by the breach as soon as possible, but no later than 10 working days after the
755 breach is discovered and the identities and addresses of the beneficiaries are ascertained. The 10-day period begins
756 when the Contractor is able to determine the identities (including addresses) of the beneficiaries whose records were
757 impacted. If notification cannot be accomplished within 10 working days, the contractor shall notify the DHA
758 Privacy Office.
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760 3.28.9.2

761 The Contractor's proposed notification to be issued to the affected beneficiaries shall be submitted to the DHA
762 Privacy Office for approval. The notification to beneficiaries shall include, at a minimum, the following:
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- 764 • Specific data elements,
 - 765 • Basic facts and circumstances,
 - 766 • Recommended precautions the beneficiary can take,
 - 767 • Federal Trade Commission (FTC) identity theft hotline information, and
 - 768 • Any mitigation support services offered, such as credit monitoring.
- 769

770 3.28.9.3

771 Contractors shall ensure any envelope containing written notifications to affected individuals are clearly labeled to
772 alert the recipient to the importance of its contents, e.g., "Data Breach Information Enclosed," and that the envelope
773 is marked with the identity of the Contractor and/or subcontractor organization that suffered the breach.
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775 3.28.9.4

776 If media notice is required, the contractor will submit a proposed notice and suggested media outlets for the DHA
777 Privacy Office review and approval (which will include coordination with the DHA Communications Division).
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779 3.28.9.5

780 In the event the Contractor is uncertain on how to apply the above requirements, the Contractor shall consult with
781 the CO, who will consult with the Privacy Office as appropriate when determinations on applying the above
782 requirements are needed.
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784 3.28.9.6

785 The Contractor shall, at no cost to the Government, bear any costs associated with a breach of PII/PHI that the
786 Contractor has caused or is otherwise responsible for addressing
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788 3.28.10 Training and certification

789 Contractor employees performing cybersecurity / cyberspace functions shall comply with the following
790 requirements:

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792 3.28.10.1

793 All contractor and associated subcontractor employees working Cybersecurity (Information Assurance
794 (IA))/Cyberspace functions must comply with DoD training requirements in Department of Defense Directive
795 (DoDD) 8140.01, and DoD 8570.01-M.

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797 3.28.10.2

798 Per DoDD 8140.01, Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) 252.239-7001, contractor
799 employees supporting Cybersecurity (Information Assurance)/Cyberspace functions shall be appropriately certified
800 upon contract/Task Order award. The baseline certification as stipulated in DoD 8570.01-M must be completed prior
801 to the beginning of their contract support services. In addition, the contractor shall comply with Computing
802 Environment (CE) certification requirements as specified in the contract. CE certifications shall be obtained within
803 the timelines specified in DoD 8570.01-M.

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805 3.28.10.3

806 All contractor employees with privileged user status must comply with the requirements of DHA-Administrative
807 Instruction (AI) 081, Employee use of Information Technology.

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SECTION IV

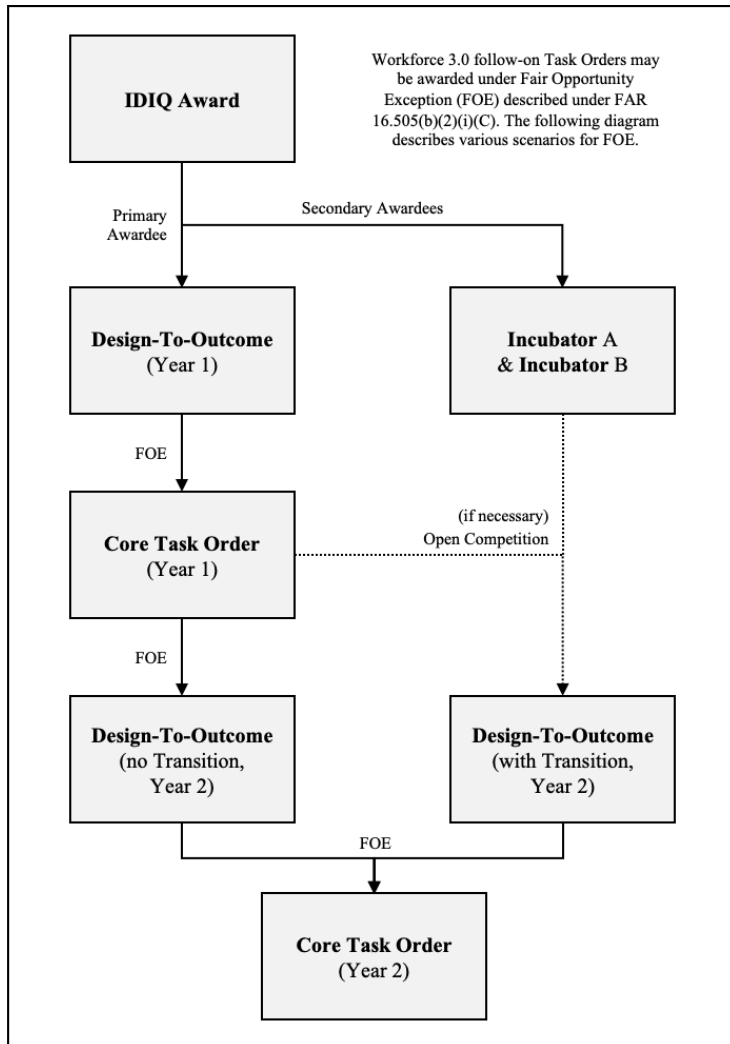
TASK ORDER RULES OF ENGAGEMENT

This section governs the issuance of orders on the WF3 contract. It explains the process that will be used when awarding each Task Order.

This is a centralized multi-award IDIQ, with two Lots. Orders under Lot 1 may be set-aside if sufficient small business primes are available within the pool. Orders under Lot 2 will be exclusively set-aside for small business, and may be further set-aside for sub-socioeconomic categories if applicable. Awardees may only submit against Fair Opportunity solicitations for the Lot they are assigned.

Competition and Exception to Fair Opportunity

In accordance with FAR 16.505(b)(2)(i)(C), if a Task Order is a follow-on or continuation of a previously competed Task Order, then award may be given to the previously awarded contractor on the basis of a justification prepared pursuant to FAR 16.505(b)(2)(ii)(B). After award of the first Task Order, at the Government’s sole discretion Task Orders may be awarded based on an exception to Fair Opportunity. The diagram below describes potential scenarios for Task Orders.



831 **4.1 Lot 1**

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833 **4.1.1 Restrictions and minimums associated with Task Orders**

834 The first Design-to-Outcome Task Order is awarded during the initial IDIQ source selection. IDIQ awardees not
835 selected as part of that Fair Opportunity were awarded “Incubator” Task Orders to satisfy the minimum guarantee.
836 The contract contemplates common and frequent usage of two primary circumstances when an exception to Fair
837 Opportunity may be used.
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839 **4.1.2 Lot 1 Linked Design-to-Outcome Task Orders**

840 There will be up to a total of six Lot 1 Task Order cycles. Each cycle will consist of an initial Design-to-Outcome
841 Task Order with the potential for a logical follow-on for a Core Task Order to execute the design delivered in the
842 Design-to-Outcome Task Order, if the conditions of the Fair Opportunity exemptions are satisfied. The purpose of
843 the Design-to-Outcome Task Order is to allow the awardee to observe, plan and propose a set of activities that
844 measurably contribute to targeted transformational outcomes for DHMS mid- and back-office functions. It is during
845 the Design-to-Outcome order that the objectives, outcomes, and measures for the Core Task Order are negotiated
846 and agreed upon with the Government. A logical follow-on Core Task Order may then be awarded to that same
847 Offeror to execute against the proposal. This Core Task Order will ensure coverage of core capabilities, continuation
848 of services, and setting a foundation to steadily execute the organizational digital transformation.
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850 If the Government cannot reach an agreement with the Offeror on the initial Design-to-Outcome Task Order, a Fair
851 Opportunity competition may be conducted with the other Lot 1 awardees at the Government’s discretion.
852

853 **4.1.3 Performance Assessment**

854 PEO DHMS will conduct ongoing performance monitoring for Offeror Core Task Orders. After the fifth month of
855 performance of each Lot 1 Core Task Order, PEO DHMS will assess the overall performance of the contractor
856 against the performance metrics that were agreed upon for that particular Task Order at the completion of the linked
857 Design to Outcome task order. If, based on this assessment, PEO DHMS determines that the contractor’s
858 performance meets or exceeds all performance metrics, then PEO DHMS will have a strong basis to develop a
859 justification for using the logical follow-on exception to the Fair Opportunity process, in the interests of “economy
860 and efficiency,” for the next cycle of Task Orders (linked Design to Outcome and Core); however, regardless of the
861 contractor’s level of performance, PEO DHMS will conduct the necessary analysis under FAR 16.505(b)(2)(ii)(B)
862 before using the logical follow-on exception and will always retain the option to compete the next cycle of Task
863 Orders amongst the pool of Workforce 3.0 awardees. The Government will seek to complete its determination
864 regarding how to proceed with next cycle Task orders within one month of performance assessment in order to
865 maintain continuity of the WF3 task order cycles. Offerors will be notified as soon as the determination is finalized.
866 This cycle of linked Task Orders and mid-point performance assessment will repeat itself throughout each ordering
867 period of Workforce 3.0. The intent is to be iterative and to constantly assess and evolve PEO DHMS.
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869 **4.1.4 Continuation of Lot 1 work when successful**

870 As part of DTO Task Order performance, the awardee and the Government shall negotiate and agree to a set of
871 performance metrics tied to successfully achieving value at PEO DHMS. These metrics provide a long-term
872 benchmark on the progress of the PEO 3.0 digital transformation. The Government shall assess the awardee’s
873 progress against these metrics using methods including but not limited to awardee self-reporting, Government direct
874 measurements, sampled measurements, and systematic measurements. If the awardee meets performance to a
875 sufficient level determined by the Government BoD, PEO DHMS may use a logical follow-on (exception to the Fair
876 Opportunity process) for the next cycle of Lot 1 Task Orders if it can establish (consistent with the requirements of
877 FAR 16.505(b)(2)(ii)(B)) that the value achieved against the agreed metrics, taken into account with other
878 necessary factors, satisfies the “in the interests of economy and efficiency” standard under FAR 16.505(b)(2)(i)(C).
879 In such cases, the awardee will then be granted another Design-to-Outcome Task Order to design, plan, and
880 negotiate the objectives, outcomes, and measures for the next Core Task Order.
881

882 **4.1.5 Fair Opportunity when Lot 1 work is not successful**

883 If the awardee’s performance of the Lot 1 work is “not successful,” then there likely will be little basis for the
884 Government to determine that any subsequent orders under the contract constitute logical follow-ons to the
885 unsuccessful work. In such circumstances, PEO DHMS will initiate the Fair Opportunity process amongst
886 Workforce 3.0 IDIQ Lot 1 participants for the next DTO Task Order. The Government shall provide Fair

887 Opportunity details in an RFP once a decision to utilize the Fair Opportunity process is made. The active Offeror
888 shall be tasked with maintaining continuity of services for the current Core Task Order and ensure proper handoff as
889 part of its remaining performant responsibilities.
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891 **4.1.6 On Ramping**

892 Additional awardee(s) may be on-ramped onto the Lot 1 IDIQ in the event such actions are in the best interest of the
893 Government, to be determined unilaterally at the discretion of the Contracting Officer in consultation with the Board
894 of Directors.
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896 **4.2 Lot 2**

897 **4.2.1 Restrictions and minimums associated with Task Orders**

899 Lot 2 awardees will receive one Accelerator Task Order each to cover contract kick off and other administrative
900 functions. These orders will satisfy the “minimum guarantee”.
901

902 **4.2.2 Lot 2 linked Task Orders**

903 The Government will issue these Task Orders on an as-needed basis to address special projects, and the period of
904 performance of such projects will be determined during the associated Accelerator Task Order. Each Lot 2 project
905 will consist of an initial Accelerator Task Order with a linked logical follow-on ad-hoc Task Order, which may be
906 issued if performance under the linked Accelerator Task Order satisfies the exception to Fair Opportunity. During
907 the Accelerator Task Order, the contractor will assess the provided problem statement and prepare a detailed
908 Design-to-Outcome approach and proposal for the award of the follow-on ad-hoc Task Order to successfully address
909 the stated problem. A logical follow-on ad-hoc Task Order will then be awarded to that same Offeror to execute
910 against the proposal. Depending on the nature of the problem statement, the Government may award more than one
911 Accelerator during the Fair Opportunity phase and more than one logical follow-on Task Order if multiple
912 Accelerator solutions have sufficient merit and value.
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914 **4.2.3 Off Ramping**

915 If an awardee fails to respond to over 75% of eligible opportunities issued across the four (4) most recent Task
916 Order solicitations issued under the Lot 2 IDIQ and does not provide sufficient “no bid” rationale, the awardee will
917 be off ramped (removed) from the IDIQ, will no longer be able to propose on future Task Order solicitations.
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919 **4.2.4 On Ramping**

920 Additional awardee(s) will be on-ramped onto the IDIQ if there are fewer than two (2) average bidders across the
921 four (4) most recent Task Order solicitations issued under the Lot 2 IDIQ. Details on how Offerors will be qualified
922 for on-ramping will be determined upon identification of the need for additional awardee(s).
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924 **4.3 Task Order Types/definitions**

925 **4.3.1 Lot 1 Task Orders**

927 There are three types of Task Orders within Lot 1.
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929 **4.3.1.1 Design-to-Outcome Task Orders**

930 These Task Orders serve as observation, design, planning, and negotiation periods. They allow for preliminary work
931 and cashflow to commence immediately, while providing the Offeror time to assess operations and prepare a
932 detailed outcome-oriented approach for commencing and executing performance on the follow-on Core Task Order.
933 The approach shall include agreed-upon performance metrics to measure performance on the Core Task Order and
934 inform contract profit calculations. **The initial Design-to-Outcome Task Order allows for transition of PEO**
935 **DHMS mid- and back-office functions to the contractor**, and allows for a longer time period to accommodate the
936 shift of functions and ensure no gap in coverage of operational activities. The remaining Design-to-Outcome Task
937 Orders will be shorter as transition will have already occurred, unless the government deems the contractor has
938 failed to meet metrics and decides to compete the next cycle of Task Orders. In such an event, Design-to-Outcome
939 Task Orders may encompass subsequent transitions events.
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941 **4.3.1.2 Core Task Order**

942 These Task Orders may be issued as logical follow-ons, based on the terms agreed upon during the Design-to-
943 Outcome Task Orders. **The intent is to transition coverage of Workforce 3.0 core capabilities and operational**
944 **activities to provide continuation of services for mid and back office functions.** The Offeror will be expected to
945 execute the organizational digital transformation in accordance with the performance metrics and outcomes agreed
946 upon during Design-to-Outcome Task Order 1. In addition, Offerors will be expected to seek innovation
947 opportunities while maintaining baseline capabilities.
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949 **4.3.1.3 Incubator Task Orders**

950 These Task Orders are issued to advise on PEO DHMS innovation posture and capability gaps. They will be
951 awarded to Lot 1 Awardees that are not currently awarded and executing on a Core Task Order. The intent is to
952 perform independent surveys of the health technology domain and report on PEO DHMS strengths, opportunities,
953 and blockers as it compares to best-in-class methodologies of health technology.
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955 The table below summarizes the characteristics of Lot 1 Task Orders.
956

Lot 1 Task Orders	Contract Type	Priced At	Ordering*	Award Basis	Duration
Design-to-Outcome (DTO) Task Orders					
DTO1 CLIN 0001	FFP	IDIQ	Unilateral	Fair Opportunity	90 Days
DTO w/o Transition CLINs 0101, 0201, 0301, 0401, 0501	FFP	IDIQ	Unilateral	Potential Exception to Fair Opportunity	60 Days
DTO w/ Transition CLINs 0107, 0207, 0307, 0407, 0507	FFP	IDIQ	Unilateral	Fair Opportunity	90 Days
Core Task Orders (CTO)					
CTO 1-6 CLINs 0002, 0102, 0202, 0302, 0402, 0502	FFP	TO	Bilateral	Exception to Fair Opportunity	11 Months
Incubator Task Orders					
Incubator TO A1-A6 CLINs 0003, 0103, 0203, 0303, 0403, 0503	FFP	IDIQ	Unilateral	Fair Opportunity	60 Days
Incubator TO B1-B6 CLINs 0004, 0104, 0204, 0304, 0404, 0504	FFP	IDIQ	Unilateral	Fair Opportunity	60 Days

957 *Task orders identified as unilateral may be awarded at the Government’s discretion utilizing the pricing
958 incorporated from the original proposal at any time and without notice.
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960 **4.3.2 Lot 2 Task Orders**

961 There are two types of Task Orders within Lot 2.
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963 **4.3.2.1 Accelerator Task Orders**

964 These Task Orders are issued prior to Ad-Hoc Task Orders. The intent is to provide time to accurately scope and
965 negotiate the terms for the Ad-Hoc Task Order when the need for an Ad-Hoc Task Order is identified. Accelerator
966 Task Orders are linked to Ad-Hoc Task Orders, in that they allow work to begin immediately and will result in an
967 agreed upon expectation for completion of the Ad-Hoc Task Order.
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969 **4.3.2.2 Ad-Hoc Task Orders**

970 Task Orders issued to address specific needs, such as short-term projects, limited time access to unusually high
971 subject matter experts, or for targeted studies and reports. These Task Orders will be issued on an as-needed basis
972 and the period of performance will be determined and agreed upon during the Accelerator Task Order.
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974 The table below summarizes the characteristics of Lot 2 Task Orders.

Lot 2 Task Orders	Contract Type	Priced At	Ordering*	Award Basis	Duration
Accelerator Task Orders					
CLIN 1001	FFP	IDIQ	Unilateral	Fair Opportunity	30 Days
Ad-Hoc Task Orders					

CLINs 1002	FFP	IDIQ	Bilateral	Potential Exception to Fair Opportunity	TBD
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975 *Task orders identified as unilateral may be awarded at the Government’s discretion utilizing the pricing
 976 incorporated from the original proposal at any time and without notice.
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978 **4.3.3 Task Order Inputs and Outputs**

979 The inputs for the linked design Task Orders for both Lot 1 and Lot 2 are depicted in Table below.
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Inputs for Design-to-Outcome and Accelerator Task Orders
PEO DHMS Purpose, Goals, Strategy
2020-2025 Federal Health IT Strategic Plan
PEO 3.0 Strategic Plan
PEO DHMS Desired Outcomes
Maturity Assessments
Attributes/Ideals
User Vignettes/Pain Points
Bounding/Scoping Assumptions

981 The outputs for Design-To-Outcome and Accelerator Task Orders for both Lot 1 and Lot 2 (respectively) are
 982 depicted in the Table below.
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Outputs for Core & Ad-hoc Task Orders	Description
PWS	A clearly defined PWS that describes the performance objectives and standards expected of the contractor during the Core Task Order.
Quality Assurance Surveillance Plan (QASP)	Specifies how the contractors will verify and document the metrics and objectives that were agreed upon during the Design-to-Outcome Task Order. The QASP will incorporate the metrics for Core Task Orders.
Contract Data Requirements List (CDRL)	Formally document the deliverables that will be produced during execution of the Task Order
Gamechanger Award Pool Plan Specifications	Agreed upon total pool for Gamechanger award and timing of interim evaluations.
Assertions of restrictions on data rights	See 52.212-4 Addendum X
Pricing	The agreed upon price.
Approved Design/Approach	Design artifacts including outcomes, plans, milestones, and schedules.

985 The data elements expected as part of the Contractor QASP for both Lot 1 and Lot 2 are depicted in the Table
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Type	QASP Data Elements	Description of data element
Metric Description	Required Service(s)	Over arching
	PWS Section	List out the PWS sections this service is linked to
	Acceptable Quality Level	Detailed description of the metric to achieve and REMEDY if the metric is not met satisfactorily
	Method of Surveillance	Describe how the Government will be able to analyze the acceptable quality level to ensure the contractor is meeting expectations
Performance Ratings	Unsatisfactory	Measurable performance requirement that will result in an unsatisfactory rating for this specific metric
	Marginal	Measurable performance requirement that will result in a marginal rating for this specific metric
	Satisfactory	Measurable performance requirement that will result in a satisfactory rating for this specific metric

	Very Good	Measurable performance requirement that will result in a very good rating for this specific metric
	Exceptional	Measurable performance requirement that will result in an exceptional rating for this specific metric

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The data elements expected as part of the Contractor CDRL for both Lot 1 and Lot 2 are depicted in the Table below.

CDRL Title/Element	Title of the deliverable
Authority (DID)	Identify any data acquisition document number(s) will be used as the basis for the expectation of the data to be delivered as part of this CDRL. If one is not known, annotate "N/A see special instructions"
PWS Reference	Annotate PWS sections this CDRL applies to
Distribution Statement	Distro statement will be Distro D unless otherwise annotated differently by the contract. (see below for Distribution statements)
Deliver frequency	Identify when the first deliverable will be sent to the Government and when subsequent updated deliveries will be sent
Review timeline	(Fill in the blanks). The Government shall have _____ days after receiving the completed CDRL for review and comment. Revised and resubmit the updated CDRL to the Government for approval _____ days after receiving comments. Subsequent submissions are as required until the CDRL is approved.
Special instructions	Special instruction: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If one or more authority data acquisition document is identified as a foundation for this CDRL, describe any tailoring that will be completed (i.e., additional data will be added, or data will not be part of the deliverable). • If there is no authority data acquisition document, provide a description of the data elements that will be part of this deliverable. • Add any additional information in this section that is applicable to this specific CDRL.

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