

Lockheed Martin Wins IT Infrastructure Consolidation Contract For Centers For Medicare And Medicaid Services

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Lockheed Martin Corporation has won a 7.5 year contract to provide agency-wide information technology and infrastructure support services for the federal government's Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).

Under the \$401 million Consolidated Information Technology Infrastructure Contract (CITIC), CMS has combined multiple agency contracts that provide services now performed by several contractors. This consolidation is intended to improve the IT infrastructure's efficiency and increase its effectiveness in meeting CMS critical business needs.

Lockheed Martin Information Technology will assume responsibility for operating the agency's main data center located in Woodlawn MD, and their server and desktop platforms nation-wide. The company will also manage, operate and maintain all voice, video and data communications networks including all local, wide and value-added networks.

A full range of security and privacy services, help desk support, database management, web casting and web hosting, infrastructure management planning and disaster recovery planning and operations are also provided under the scope of the contract.

Linda Gooden, President of Lockheed Martin Information Technology, said, "Our corporation is proud to partner with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. Fulfillment of their mission certainly helps to make America a better place to live.

"Clearly, there are few IT projects in our country more important to so many Americans," she said, "than those which help the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services process and deliver essential health care benefits. We are proud to be part of this team as we begin our new role to renovate and restructure the agency's vital IT backbone."

Lockheed Martin Information Technology currently provides an extensive range of IT infrastructure services for many federal agencies, including the Social Security Administration; the Department of Energy's Hanford site; the Environmental Protection Agency; and the Department of Defense -- including the Pentagon and Cheyenne Mountain, Colo. -- as well as numerous commercial clients.

The contract was awarded through the National Institutes of Health (NIH) Chief Information Officers Solutions and Partners II (CIOSP II) contracting vehicle. The period of performance begins immediately.

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid is an agency within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. It serves about 75 million beneficiaries through Medicare, Medicaid, the State Children's Health Program, and other health care quality assurance programs.

Established in 1977 as the Health Care Financing Administration and renamed in June 2001, CMS is the largest purchaser of health insurance in the United States. The agency has more than 4,000 government employees located in Woodlawn, Md.; Washington, D.C., 10 regional locations and other satellite offices.

Headquartered in Bethesda, Md., Lockheed Martin is a global enterprise principally engaged in the research, design, development, manufacture and integration of advanced-technology systems, products and services. The Corporation's core businesses are systems integration, space, aeronautics, and technology services. Information Technology is a business unit of Lockheed Martin providing enterprise business systems, managed services and infrastructure solutions to government agencies and commercial clients.

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