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- The commonwealth's contract with Northrop Grumman for information technology (IT) infrastructure services expires July 1, 2019. VITA must prepare, seek input, consider options and develop recommendations to ensure continuity and reliability of IT infrastructure services leading up to and through that date.
- While the commonwealth's IT enterprise (security and disaster recovery capabilities, standards for IT infrastructure technologies, etc.) has moved forward under the Northrop Grumman contract, the marketplace has evolved since contract signing in 2006. As a result:
 - Marketplace innovation can improve VITA's ability to deliver services and support customer agencies' missions and goals;
 - Delivery models are making the consideration and integration of new services easier for enterprises; and,
 - New service offerings are reducing the need to own IT assets.
- VITA and the commonwealth require a strategy for the IT enterprise across state government that accounts for needs, cost, performance, flexibility, standards and security
- This new strategy must consider:
 - Needs and wants of commonwealth agencies, and the expectations of the citizens they serve;
 - Innovative services and capabilities in the marketplace;
 - New delivery models, industry standard contract terms and current pricing; and,
 - VITA's existing contract with Northrop Grumman.
- The development of recommendations is VITA's top priority for 2015 and will be accomplished with help from its stakeholders.
- VITA has engaged Integris Applied, a technology strategy consulting firm, to assist with next steps:
 - Integris Applied was selected through a competitive procurement process from a highly qualified field of applicants; and,
 - Integris Applied brings niche experience in large, complex, state government technology and sourcing initiatives.

- The development and implementation of a recommendation for the commonwealth's future technology enterprise is a journey:
 - This engagement is more than a transaction – it is a change management program in a large, complex political environment;
 - IT and business leaders from agencies and the commonwealth must play a role throughout the process;
 - The commonwealth will look for short-term wins along the way; and,
 - There will be tradeoffs.