



**IT Schedule 70 Highly Adaptive Cybersecurity Services (HACS)
Special Item Numbers (SINs)
Interact Draft Solicitation Posting Fact Sheet
As of August 12, 2016**

Highlights

- IT Schedule 70 intends to establish four (4) new Special Item Numbers(SIN) for Incident Response, Penetration Testing, Cyber Hunt and Risk and Vulnerability Assessments on September 1, 2016.
- The draft solicitation will be published on Wednesday, August 17, 2016.
- A webinar will be held on Wednesday, August 24, 2016 to engage vendors in a discussion on the the new SIN and their requirements, and to gather feedback.

Overview

The General Services Administration (GSA) intends to establish **four (4) new Special Item Numbers (SIN)** on its premier IT Schedule 70 contract vehicle to offer cybersecurity services in support of the President’s Cybersecurity National Action Plan (CNAP) and the Cybersecurity Implementation Plan (CSIP).

The new SINs, entitled “Highly Adaptive Cybersecurity Services” (HACS), will be available for federal agencies to begin purchasing cybersecurity services, starting **October 1, 2016**.

The SINs will feature high quality cybersecurity vendors offering federal agencies the following services:

SIN #	Suite of Service Offerings
132- 45A	Penetration Testing
132- 45B	Incident Response
132- 45C	Cyber Hunt
132- 45D	Risk and Vulnerability Assessment (RVA)



Vendor Evaluation

GSA partnered with the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to develop the following thorough evaluation methodology for vendors to participate in the HACS SINS:

Services	Primary Evaluation Methodology
Incident Response	• Oral vendor interview - Incident response scenario.
Penetration Testing	• Oral vendor interview - Attack network scenario.
Cyber Hunt	• Oral vendor interview - Cyber hunt scenario.
Risk and Vulnerability Assessment (RVA)	• Oral vendor interview on RVA capabilities and processes.

Benefits of the HACS SINS to Federal Agencies

- 1. Access to pool of rigorously-reviewed cybersecurity vendors:** The SINS will allow federal agencies to easily identify at least 15 high quality cybersecurity vendors vetted against rigorous standards.
- 2. Rapid ordering and deployment of services:** Agencies can rapidly deploy needed cybersecurity services using IT Schedule 70's streamlined ordering procedures that reduce agency procurement lead times by 25 - 50%¹ as compared to open market ordering, which is less efficient and can carry additional risks.
- 3. Cybersecurity/Acquisition support resources from GSA:**
 - a. Cybersecurity and acquisition subject matter experts will be available to advise federal agencies on procurements under the HACS SINS.
 - b. A quick-start ordering guide will be available to help federal cybersecurity and procurement officials rapidly procure services from the HACS SINS.
 - c. Sample acquisition documents, including sample statements of work, will be available on the Acquisition Gateway and the GSA Cybersecurity website.

¹ GSA FAS Process Efficiency Study. March 31, 2013.



SIN Timeline

Date	SIN Milestones
6/8/2016	Request For Information (RFI) published to get vendor feedback.
6/13/2016	Held industry day in Washington D.C.
7/13/2016	Held industry day in San Francisco, CA.
8/17/2016	Draft solicitation is published on GSA Interact
9/1/2016	HACS SINS are established and vendor evaluations begin.

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Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Why is the evaluation of these cybersecurity companies so in-depth at the SIN level instead of the ordering level?

A: GSA is doing additional due diligence by conducting in-depth reviews of vendors in an effort to ensure high quality performance from vendors on future task orders. The evaluation methodology was developed in partnership with the Department of Homeland Security.

Q: What are the benefits of utilizing the HACS SINS to federal agencies?



A: First, federal agencies will have access to a pool of vetted and highly qualified cybersecurity vendors, who can perform effectively on task orders under the SINS. In addition, federal agencies will be able to execute rapid ordering and deployment services to meet urgent needs. Finally, agencies will be able to utilize GSA's acquisition support resources to fulfill their cybersecurity needs and requirements.

Q: How can federal agencies procure cybersecurity services from these SINS?

A: Agencies can rapidly deploy needed cybersecurity services using IT Schedule 70's streamlined ordering procedures that reduce agency procurement lead times by 25 - 50% as compared to open-market ordering. A quick-start ordering guide will be available to help federal cybersecurity and procurement officials rapidly procure services from the HACS SINS.

Q: How can federal agencies get cybersecurity/acquisition support resources from GSA?

A: Cybersecurity and acquisition subject matter experts will be available to advise federal agencies on procurements under the HACS SINS. Sample acquisition documents, including sample statements of work, will be available on the Acquisition Gateway and the GSA Cybersecurity [website](#).