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## **CHHS Takes Progressive Step in IT Procurement Modernization**

Sacramento – The California Health and Human Services (CHHS) Agency announced today that in partnership with the California Government Operations (GovOps) Agency it is seeking to pre-qualify vendors who excel at agile software development and delivery. California has long recognized that software acquisitions need to align with and keep pace with technology cycles. Service delivery priorities, user needs, and technologies evolve and emerge on a continual basis and software acquisitions need to be more agile.

This RFI leverages a successful contract approach already in use by the federal government. The Government Services Administration (GSA) has already used this approach to solicit work successfully.

California hopes to achieve many benefits from this new approach, including:

- Reduction in solicitation time - allowing departments to more quickly begin working on delivering value
- Ability to review vendors' user-centered design and agile software development competencies prior to soliciting bids - ensuring we hire the best development teams for each need
- Reduction in administrative costs to the State and vendors – by eliminating vendor qualification duplications across multiple bids

For additional information on this request for information visit:

<https://cwscms.osi.ca.gov/New-System/Agile-Development-Pre-Qualified-Vendor-Pool>.

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