



# OPTN Modernization Transition Contract Industry Day

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# AGENDA

- Welcome
- OPTN Modernization
- OPTN Current State
- Procurement Process
- Panel
- Q&A
- Break
- Focused Conversation Sessions

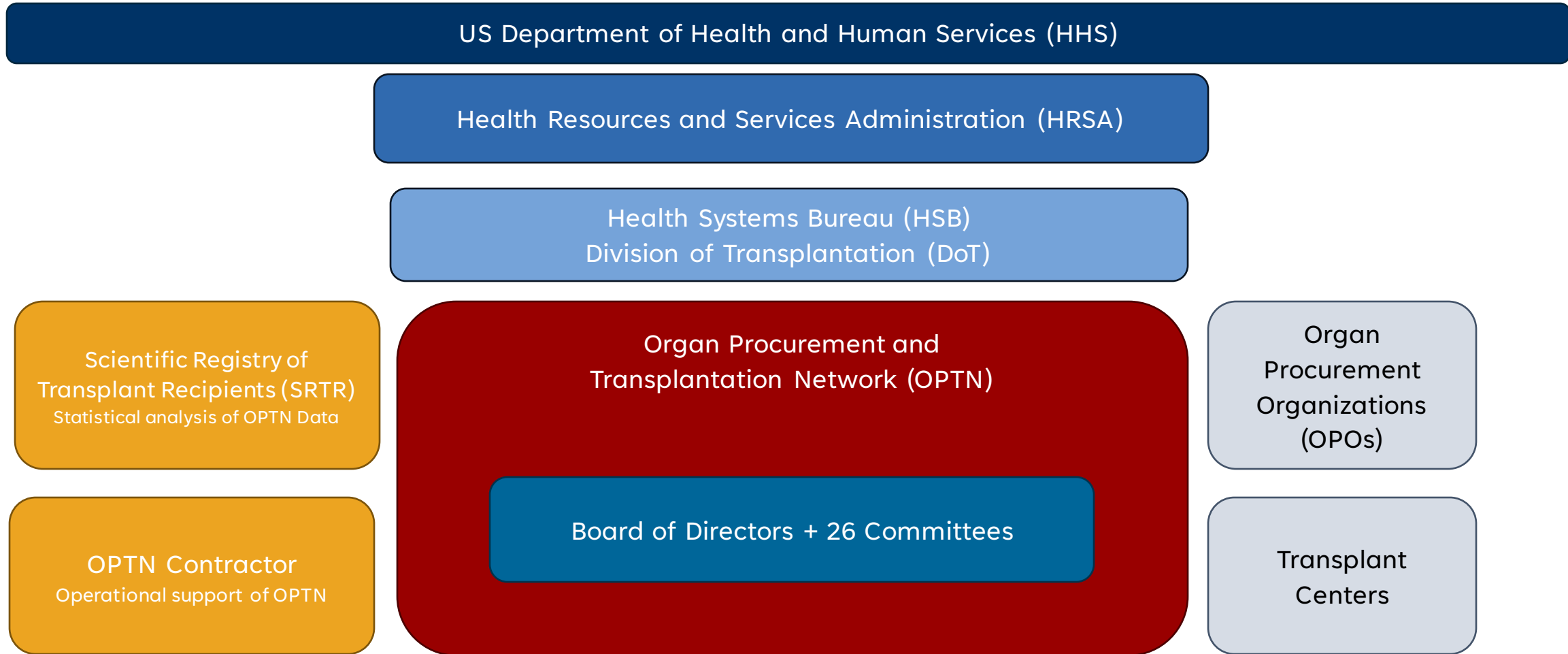


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# ORGAN PROCUREMENT AND TRANSPLANTATION NETWORK

Organ Transplant  
Community & Stakeholders

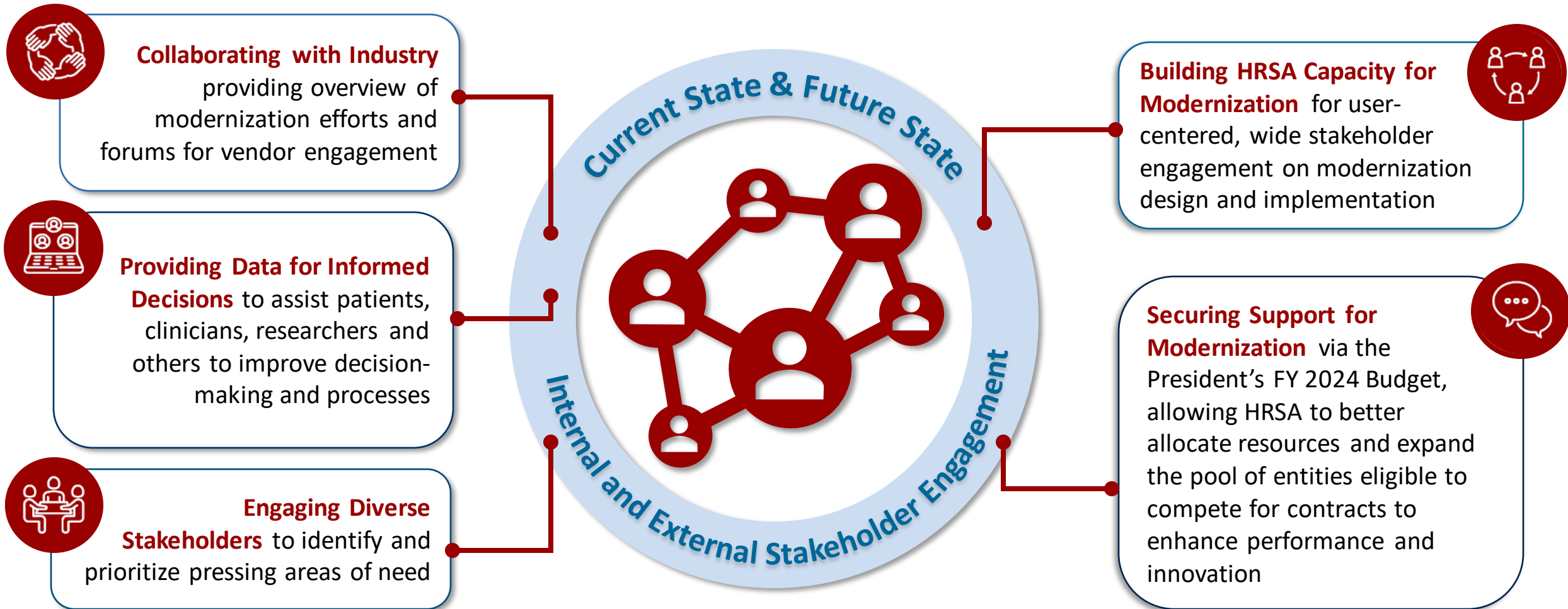


# OPTN MODERNIZATION INITIATIVE

The OPTN Modernization Initiative is centered on putting patients first, prioritizing information flow to clinicians, promoting innovation, and enhancing transparency and accountability.




# OPTN MODERNIZATION – EFFORTS TO DATE



# CONTRACT STRATEGY



PROGRAM  
MANAGEMENT



TRANSITION



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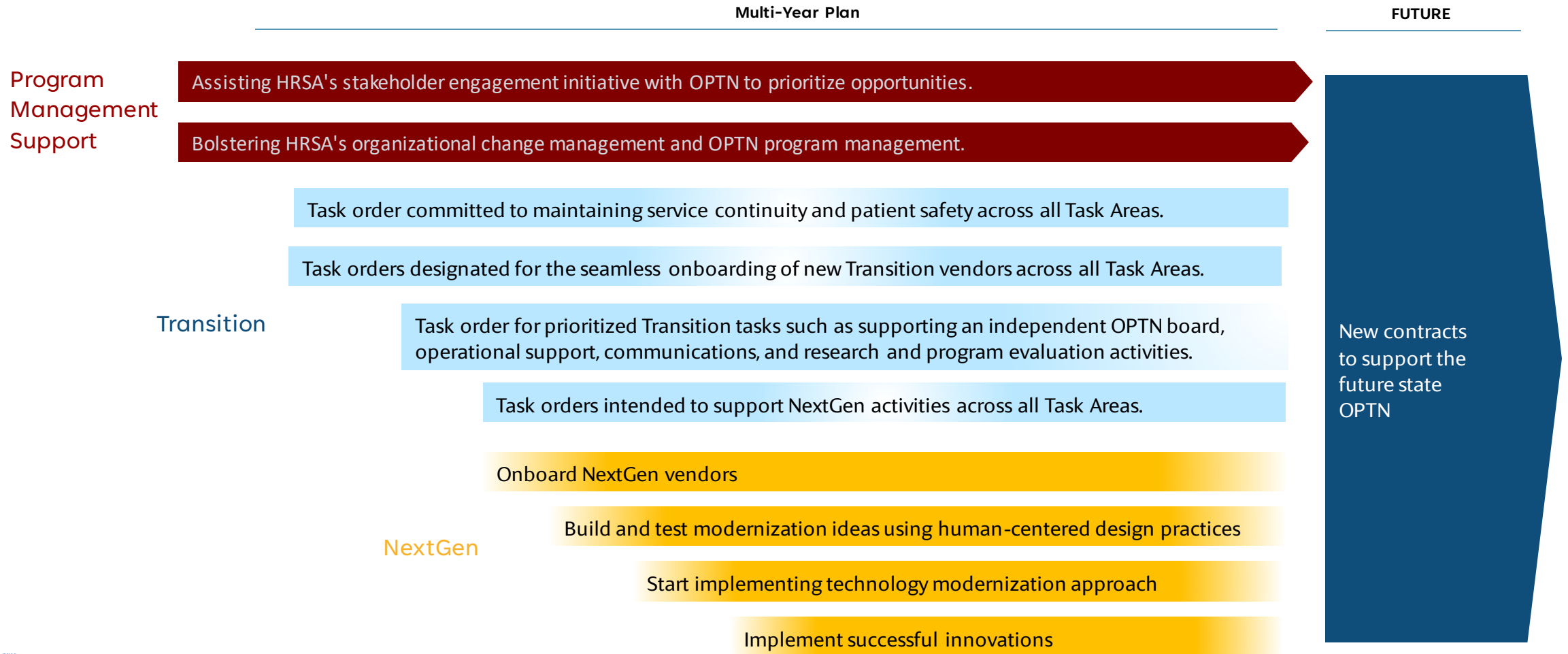


# Manjot Singh

## OPTN Modernization



# TRANSITION CONTRACT CONTEXT



# TRANSITION TASK AREAS OVERVIEW *(subject to change)*

## TASK AREA 1 OPTN OPERATIONS & GOVERNANCE

- Transitioning to an independent OPTN Board of Directors supported by a non-profit with HRSA oversight
- Manage OPTN finances, operations, including member compliance
- Monitor and correct potential issues that could impact OPTN continuity
- Continuously implement and update OPTN protocols, policies, and guidelines

**Interaction:** All other task areas rely on the operational stability provided by this task area

## TASK AREA 2 IT SYSTEM AND DATA CONTINUITY, MAINTENANCE, AND COMPLIANCE

- Maintain the IT system
- Continuously verify and update algorithms
- Implement and monitor compliance with independent OPTN Board policies and applicable laws
- Implement data continuity and security measures

**Interaction:** The operations are governed by the standards and compliance measures in this task area. The data managed here forms the backbone for communications and research activities.



# TRANSITION TASK AREAS OVERVIEW CONT'D *(subject to change)*

## TASK AREA 3 COMMUNICATIONS

- Patient and Public engagement
- Regular OPTN stakeholder communications
- OPTN website
- Educational materials

**Interaction:** This task area communicates the operational activities and research findings to the broader audience, bridging the gap between OPTN and its stakeholders.

## TASK AREA 4 RESEARCH AND EVALUATION

- Current state assessments and special studies preparing HRSA for modernization while protecting patient safety
- Evaluate OPTN operations and functions
- Provide recommendations for improvements

**Interaction:** The research insights and evaluations inform operational changes, IT system updates, and communication strategies.



# TRANSITION TASK AREAS OVERVIEW CONT'D *(subject to change)*

## TASK AREA 5 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL TASK ORDERS

- Onboarding and expectation setting
- Vendor collaboration
- Support the transition of any contract activities to new entities
- Compliance with FAR, and all applicable laws and regulations.

**Interaction:** This task area sets the foundational requirements that span across all other areas, ensuring legal compliance, effective coordination, and smooth transition of responsibilities.



# Alexandra “Bonnie” Garcia

## Head of Contracting Activity for HRSA





# PROCUREMENT GOALS



# OVERVIEW OF FOCUSED CONVERSATION TOPICS

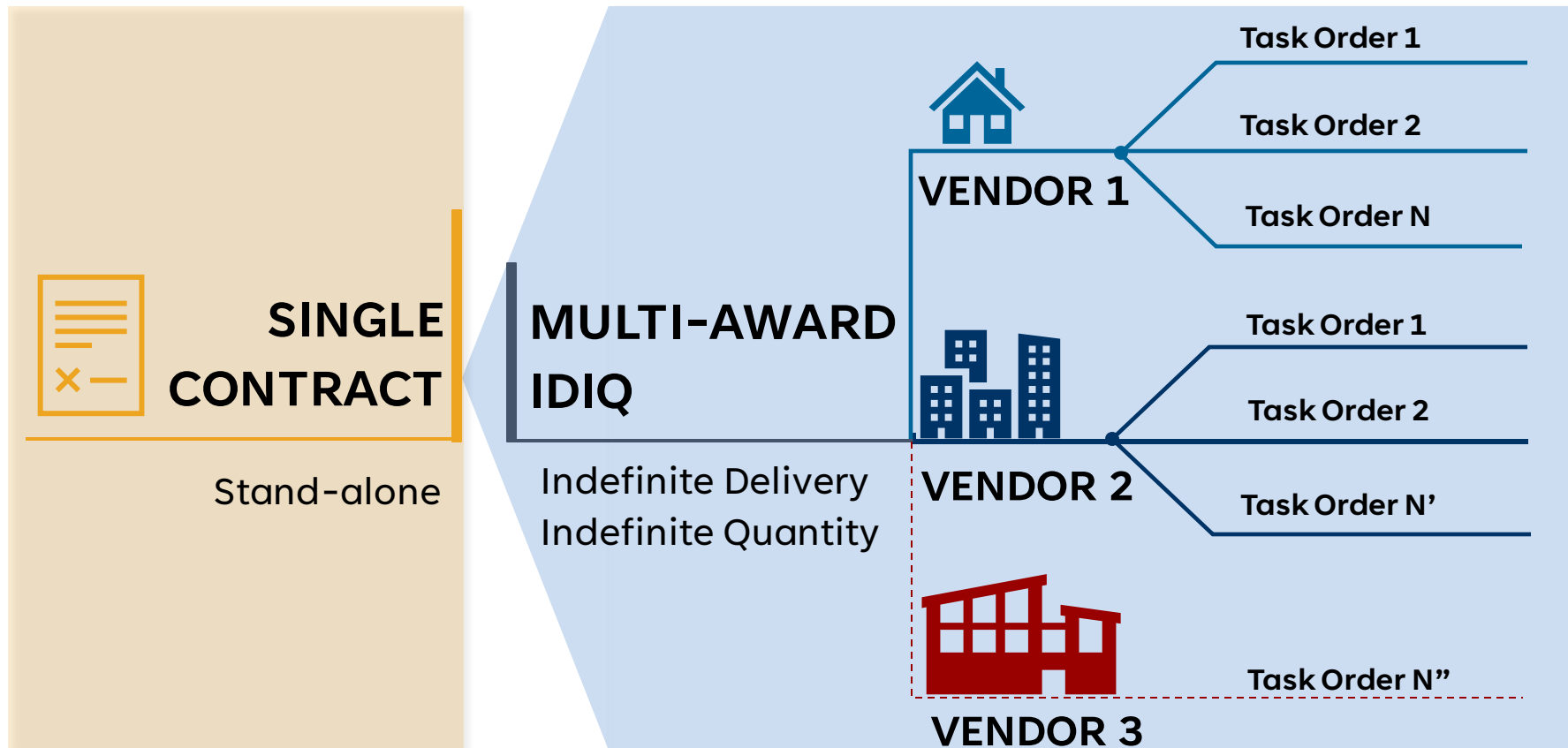
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- Operations
- Multi-vendor Coordination
- Research & Evaluation





# PROCUREMENT MODERNIZATION OVERVIEW



# PROPOSED TASK AREAS (DOMAINS)

**1**

**OPTN Operations  
(Including  
Governance)**



**2**

**IT System & Data  
Continuity,  
Maintenance, an  
d Compliance**



**3**

**Communications**



**4**

**Research and  
Evaluation**

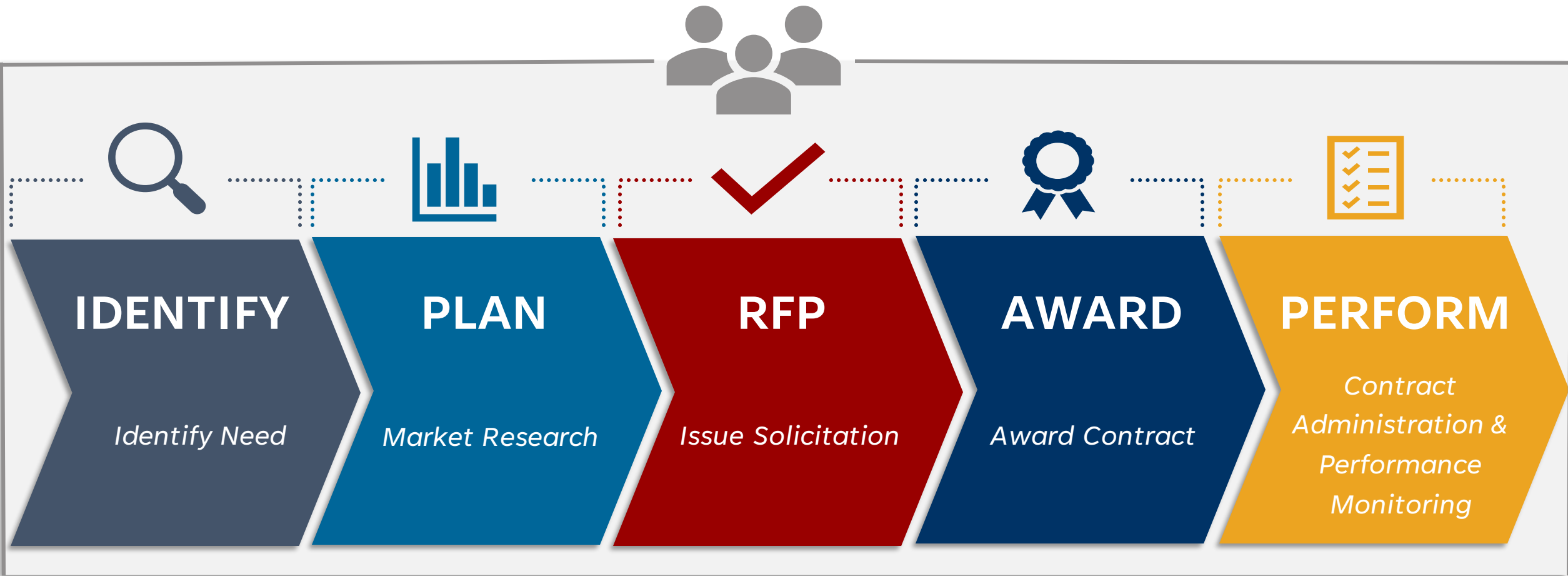


**5**

**General  
Requirements  
for All Domains**



# PHASES OF PROCUREMENT



# ESTIMATED PROCUREMENT TIMELINE



# Q & A PANEL

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# FOCUSED CONVERSATIONS

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**Please head to room for the focused conversations.**

- Operations: Pavillion
- Multi-vendor Coordination: Room XYZ
- Research & Evaluation: Room XYZ



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