#### **FORUM 2017: Creating Connections Together**



# Best Practices for Contract Administration

Using SRM Principles



"It's the next level of real-time vendor relations. But we're still beta testing."





Define Supplier Relationship Management (SRM)

The National Institute of Governmental Purchasing (NIGP) recognizes Supplier Relationship Management (SRM) as a set of principles, processes and tools that assist organizations in the management of supplier relationships to maximize value and minimize risk through the entire supplier relationship life cycle.





Define "Contract Administrator" APSPM 10.2

The administrator should be the end user of the contract or one who has a vested interest in the procurement who will be responsible for the proper adherence to all contract specifications by the contractor.





#### Role of Contract Administrator (per APSPM)

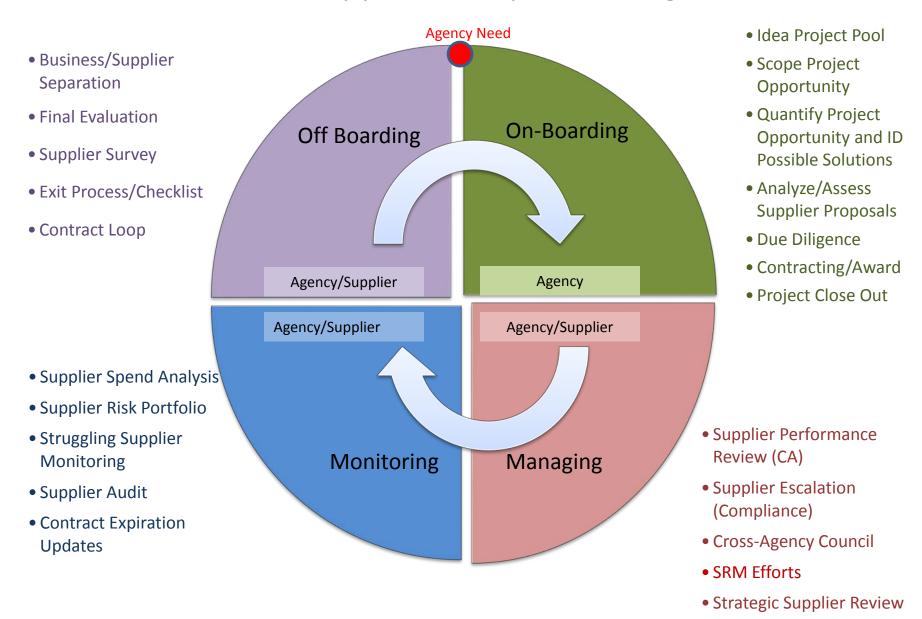
#### Contract administration shall be:

- delegated in writing by the using agency
- designate a specific individual or position
- Highlight important aspects of the contract
- Specific tasks include
  - acceptance of goods or services
  - approval of invoices
  - scheduling and monitoring of project progress
  - coordination of the provision of agency or other resources when part of the contract
  - favorable or critical feedback to the contractor and buyer





#### Four-Phase Supplier Lifecycle Management



- Contract Administrators are the face and voice of a contract
  - Frequent communication with supplier and CO
  - Review of operational expectations
  - Ensure transparency between supplier and CO
- What SRM Principles apply to this role?
  - Let's discuss the 6 principles





#### **SRM Principles**

3C's:

- Communication
- Collaboration
- Commitment

D.I.E.-ing to Get it Right:

- Due Diligence
- Innovation
- Engagement





**Communication** 



Collaboration



**Commitment** 







- D I E- ing to get it right!
- Final 3 SRM principles
  - Due Diligence
    - As a CA, we can re-brand this to mean "performance surveys"
      - Make sure you provide these to the contract CO they need your input!
  - Innovation
    - Supply base gets it right through performance and innovation
    - Take new innovation ideas from suppliers to the CO
  - Engagement
    - Work together to ensure we ALL get it right!





Applying what we've learned!

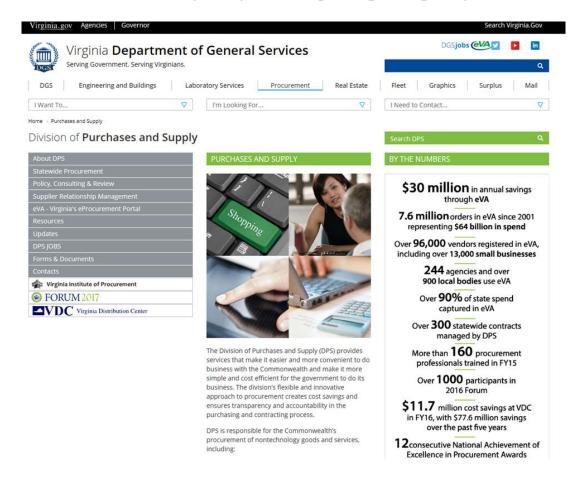
Case Study 1

Case Study 2

Case Study 3



New DGS Website: <a href="https://portal.dgs.virginia.gov/procurement/">https://portal.dgs.virginia.gov/procurement/</a>







New Procurement Complaint Form rolling out in 1Q18!

If you would like to test drive the new electronic e-form before it hits Production, bring me a business card and we will be in touch!



