

Supplier Diversity Inclusion Plan • Fiscal Year 2019

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FY18 – FY19 Washington State Department of Veterans Affairs Supplier Diversity Inclusion Plan

Agency's plan to increase participation of certified small minority, women, and veteran owned firms:

The Washington State Department of Veterans Affairs (WDVA) will use the following strategies to increase participation with the Office of Minority & Women Enterprise (OMWBE) and WDVA certified vendors:

- The agency will post purchasing and contracting opportunities in the Washington Electronic Business Solution (WEBS) program. Veteran and OMWBE certified firms registered in WEBS and identified as seeking contracting opportunities will be notified of our purchasing and/or contracting needs.
- When WDVA receives responses from contractors for services posted on WEBS, the agency will review the request and identify qualified Veterans and OMWBE certified vendors as top priority.
- When making direct-buy purchases, we will make a concerted effort to contract with Veterans or OMWBE certified vendors that can perform the service, or provide the goods, required
- When making purchases of \$13,000, or less, from the two-tier state master contracts, we
 will focus our efforts on contracting with Veteran or OMWBE firms that can fulfill the
 work requirements

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