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CONTRACTING PERSONNEL HONORED



At the NCMA World Congress in March 1996, Debra Parra, U.S. Army Information Systems Command and Catherine Deutsch, Defense Supply Service-Washington (DSS-W) were honored as the first and third place recipients respectively of the Blanche Witte award for their outstanding achievements in contract management.



TRADOC SCRUBS CONTRACTS TO REVIEW REQUIREMENTS

TRADOC has scrubbed all existing contracts and pending solicitations to perform a detailed review of all requirements in order to identify any that overstate minimal needs. Focusing primarily on contracts over \$100K, TRADOC identified requirements which could be reduced or eliminated entirely, resulting in future cost savings and avoidances estimated at \$19.3M. These funds have been shifted to other operational needs.

MEDCOM CUTS COST BY CONSOLIDATING REQUIREMENTS

In the past, each Medical Treatment Facility (MTF) has either leased or purchased all of the equipment and chemicals required for the conduct of various types of chemistry tests. Recently, the South East Health Service Support Area has changed its way of doing business and awarded a consolidated service contract for use by each of its nine MTFs. As the result, the average cost for each test performed (based on cost per reportable), has been reduced by 87% from 97 cents to 13 cents. MEDCOM estimates annual savings of \$4.3M over the life cycle of the new contract.

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