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Vendor Responsibility Basics



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Agenda

- What it means to be a responsible vendor
- Why is Vendor Responsibility important
- Components of a thorough review
- Subcontractors
- Helpful recommendations



Vendor Responsibility Basics



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Vendor Responsibility Basics

Why is Vendor Responsibility Important?

- Protects the Agency and State against failed contracts
- Pro-actively solves and mitigates problems
- Avoids contracting with non-responsible vendors
- Protects public funds and promotes fairness



What is a Responsible Vendor?

• Financial and Organizational Capacity

To fully perform contractual obligations



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Legal Authority

To do business with the State



Integrity

To justify the award of public dollars



Past Performance

A good record of past performance

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What Leads to a Thorough Review?



- Independent Agency Review
- Vendor Disclosure



Perform Agency Review

Resources for Vendor Responsibility Review



Helpful Tools – OSC Website

www.osc.state.ny.us/state-vendors/vendrep/file-your-vendor-responsibility-questionnaire

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The VendRep System	contracting entities of your business's qualifications.		ionn oldio
Forms	Benefits of filing online		
Documentation Requirements	Complete only one questionnaire for all future bids.		
The Review Process	Update your questionnaire at any time.		
Research Vendor Information	View the status of your contract review.		
Invoices, Purchase Orders and Payments	Delegate user roles to employees. Have the vendor responsibility review completed 33% quicker.		
Contracts and Procurements -	Our secure online service includes all four types of questionnaires.		
Get Help			
	State Contracting Entities: If your prospective vendor filed the questionna using the same online service.	aire online, you can easily view the complet	ed questionn
	How to get started		
	Log in or enroll in the VendRep System to file or view the questionnaire.		
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	To learn more, see The VendRep System.		
	About the review process		
	Documentation Requirements		
	The Vendor Responsibility Review Process		
	How to Conduct a Vendor Responsibility Review		
	How to Make a Vendor Responsibility Determination		
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Resources

www.osc.state.ny.us/state-vendors/vendrep/research-vendor-information

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The Review Process

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Get Help

Research Vendor Information

The links below provide access to information resources that a State contracting entity may find helpful when completing a vendor responsibility review. Each resource has a short description and the link to the applicable website.

The Office of the State Comptroller does not endorse these resources or guarantee their accuracy.

- Legal/Regulatory Authority to Do Business
- Integrity
- · Financial and Organizational Capacity
- Performance
- General Resources

Web Resource Guide - printer-friendly version (PDF)



Vendor Responsibility System

Vendor Responsibility Questionnaire

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DOS Corporation Search

Department of State Division of Corporations Search Our Corporation and Business Entity Database

The information contained in this database is current through August 26, 2020.

The Corporation and Business Entity Database includes business and not for profit corporations, limited partnerships, limited liability companies and limited liability partnerships, as well as other miscellaneous businesses. This information is best viewed with Netscape Navigator 7.0 and above or Internet Explorer 6.0 and above. Please note that the database does not include corporate or other business entity assumed names filed pursuant to General Business Law, §130. Assumed name filings are filed and maintained by the Division of Corporations, limited liability companies and limited partnerships. Although maintained by the Division of Corporations, searches of records of assumed names used by corporations, limited liability companies and limited partnerships must be made by a written, faxed or e-mail request to the Division. All other entities such as general partnerships, sole proprietorships and limited liability partnerships file an assumed name certificate directly with the county clerk in each county in which the entity conducts or transacts business.

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DOS State Tax Warrants



Search the New York State Tax Warrant Notice System

The New York State Department of Taxation and Finance ("DTF") files tax warrants in county clerks' offices throughout the state. Pursuant to section 6 of the Tax Law, DTF sends the New York Department of State a notice of the fact that such tax warrants have been filed. The New York Department of State maintains an electronic database of the tax warrant-related notices presented by DTF. These notices may be searched by taxpayer name, by taxpayer city, by county of tax warrant filing, or by any combination of the foregoing.

Please note that DTF first files a tax warrant in a county clerk's office, and then files a notice of such filing in this office. As a result, in most cases there will necessarily be some gap between the time of filing of the actual tax warrant in the county clerk's office and the time of filing of the notice of such filing in this office. Therefore, searchers are encouraged to search in the offices of the appropriate county clerk(s) to determine the most recent status of filing(s) against a given taxpayer.

Inquiries regarding tax warrants in general should be directed to the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance. You may wish to visit DTF's frequently asked questions page regarding tax warrants at New York State Taxation & Finance: Frequently Asked Questions about warrants.(Opens new window).

The information contained in this database is current up to July 24, 2020

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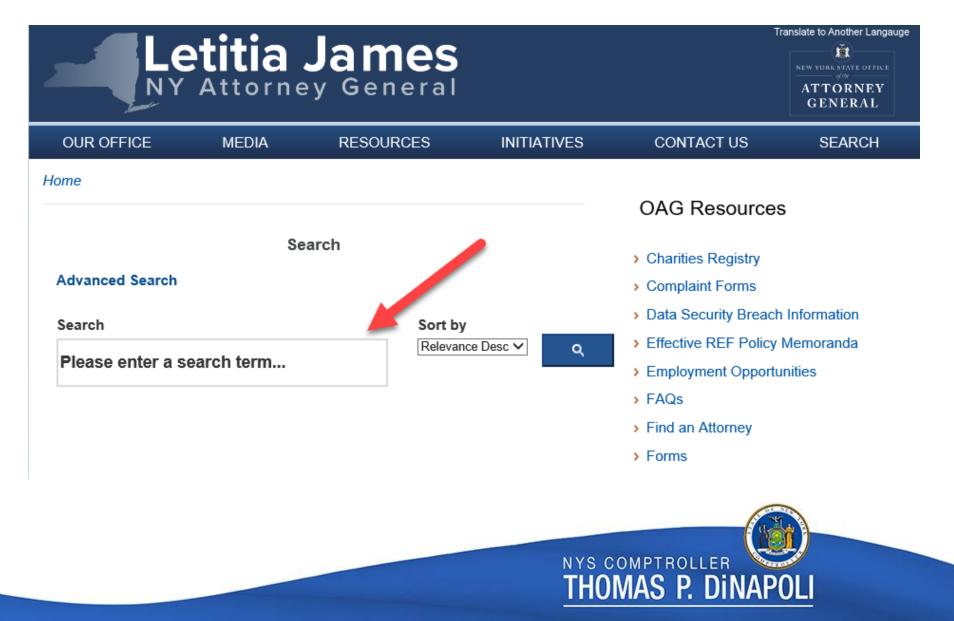
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Federal Contractor Misconduct



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Federal Contractor Misconduct Database (FCMD)

The federal government routinely awards contracts to companies with histories of misconduct, including contract fraud and other violations. POGO believes that providing this website will help to improve contracting decisions and increase public knowledge of how the government spends billions of taxpayer dollars each year. Read more...

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Top 10 Contractors by total FY18 contract awards

The following contractors top the list based on total contract awards. This table shows the associated instances of misconduct and total penalty amounts.

Rank	Federal Contractor	\$ Contract Awards - FY18	Instances Since 1995	Penalties Since 1995
1	Lockheed Martin	\$40,552.9M	89	\$767.8M
2	Boeing Company	\$29,755.6M	79	\$1,491.3M

Federal Contractor Misconduct Database



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OGS Debarred & Non-Responsible Entities

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Debarred and Non-Responsible Entities



DOL & WCB Debarments

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Click State Agency for more information:	
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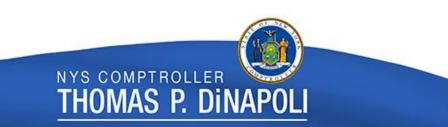
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Consolidated Debarment Search

Complete one or more of the search criteria below and click Start Search.

To display ALL entries in the database, simply click Start Search without completing any search criteria.





Workers Compensation & Disability

Search by Employer Name	
(Enter a word or partial word of the beginning part of the name. The search will return employers that begin EXACTLY with the portion entered.)	
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Please Note:

- The name and FEIN of the contracting entity must be identical to the name and FEIN identified on the proof of coverage or exemption.
- An ACORD form is not an acceptable proof of workers' compensation coverage nor disability benefits insurance.
- In the instance of exemption, please be advised that the WCB does not verify Attestations for Exemption. It is
 incumbent on the state contracting entity to verify the acceptability of the entity's reason for exemption and
 communicate that reason to the OSC Vendor Responsibility auditor requesting proof of compliance; please
 verify and provide a copy of the signed and dated exemption certificate.



Resources for Not-For-Profits



IRS Automatic Revocation of Exemption List

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Grants Gateway



New York State **Grants Gateway**



Grant Opportunity Portal

Welcome to the Grants Gateway

The Grants Gateway is New York State's enterprise system for viewing grant opportunities and managing grant applications, grant contracts, and claims for payment online. The Grants Gateway also includes the State's Pregualification application system, which allows nonprofit organizations to become prequalified to do business with New York State.





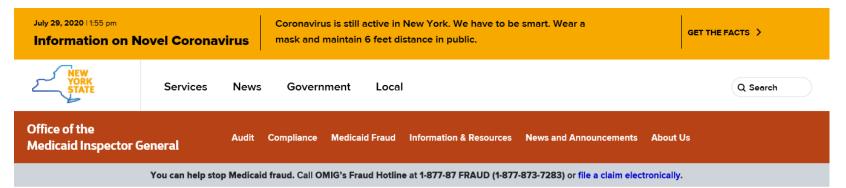
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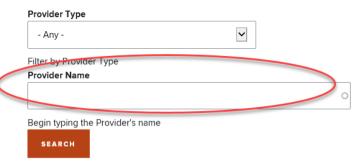
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OMIG Audits



Final Audit Reports



JULY 2020

Project Number	Provider Name	Final Date	Provider Type
2019Z01-210B	Womens & Childrens Hospital Buffalo	07/24/20	Multi-Type
2019Z01-167B	Nassau University Medical Center	07/24/20	Multi-Type



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Resources for Construction



NYC SCA - School Construction Authority -Disqualified/Suspended/Ineligible/Rejected Firms

School Construction Authority

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Additional Resources

• NYS Empire (MWBE)

• NYSED – Higher Education

• NYS DOS Licensing



Additional Reviews

Officers, Parent Company, Owners/ Affiliates of Vendors

- NYS DOS Liens
- NYS DOS Tax Warrants
- Google
- WCB or DOL Debarments
- SAM (Federal Debt)



Subcontractors





Who is Considered a Subcontractor?

A subcontractor is any entity that receives funds from a prime vendor to perform work on a contract



When to Review a Subcontractor?

IMPORTANT!!!

- When a subcontractor is known
- Even those not sent to OSC for approval



Subcontractors Must be Responsible WHY?

• Subcontractors are often the ultimate recipients of State money

• State money should go to responsible vendors



What to Review for a Subcontractor

Same as the Review of the Prime Vendor

- <u>Financial and Organizational Capacity</u>
- Legal Authority to Do Business
- <u>Integrity</u>
- <u>Past Performance</u>



What to Review for a Subcontractor Other Things to Look for

- Affiliated Entities and Addresses
- Bidders List

• Certifications



Subcontractors

Documents OSC Requires for Subcontractor Review

VR Profile & VRQ are required when:

- Subcontractor is known at the time of award
- Payout will equal or exceed \$100,000 over the life of the contract





- A sudden drop in revenue or net income
- Their name consists of the initials of officers or board members of prime contractor
- Shared staff or officers between prime and subcontractor
- Shared phone, fax, business address or email



Recap

Subcontractor Review

• Perform reviews on all subcontractors

• Use same standards as prime vendor

• Address issues with the prime vendor

• Look for potential red flags





Complete the Vendor Responsibility Profile

• Provide detail concerning each issue

• Explain the corrective actions

• Provide your assessment



How Often to Assess an Issue

Whenever...

- The vendor discloses an issue
- The Agency finds an issue
- OSC finds an issue requiring assessment



Electronic Contracting

Labeling & Scanning of Documents

- Scan VR items
- Select document name from drop down menu
- Add description for each document



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