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What is the WSCA-NASPO Cooperative Purchasing Organization?

The National Association of State Procurement Officials (NASPO) has formed a subsidiary entity, the NASPO Cooperative Purchasing Organization (WSCA-NASPO), to manage its national cooperative purchasing program. WSCA-NASPO was formed in October of 2012 and began operating officially on January 1, 2013.

A 21-member Management Board has been appointed to oversee the operations and activities of the new organization.

Since 1993, the Western States Contracting Alliance (WSCA) served as the primary cooperative purchasing arm of NASPO and encouraged, fostered, and guided participating members to work collaboratively in an effort to create true procurement cooperatives. WSCA-NASPO represents a unified, nationally-focused cooperative purchasing program that will leverage the collective expertise and experience of WSCA and NASPO, aggregate the demand of all 50 states, the District of Columbia and the five organized territories, and their political subdivisions and other eligible entities, and help spur innovation and competition in the marketplace.



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WHO OWNS THE CONTRACT?

WCSA-NASPO uses a "Lead State" model in issuing cooperative solicitations. One state leads the procurement, issues the solicitation and awards the contracts based on that state's statutory requirements and processes. The Lead State owns and manages the contract(s). You can find the name of the lead state contact by selecting a contract from the list [here](#). Other states and many other governmental and eligible entities have chosen to participate and have followed each entity's individual statutory processes to provide public notice and permit participation. If you have questions, contact Paul Stembler (contact information below).

WHO CAN USE WCSA-NASPO CONTRACTS?

All governmental entities within a state are eligible to use WCSA-NASPO contracts, if the governmental entity has the legal authority to use their home state's contracts. If you are not sure, check with either your home state's chief procurement official or contact Paul Stembler (contact information below).

WHAT IF MY HOME STATE HAS CHOSEN NOT TO PARTICIPATE, BUT WE WANT TO USE A WCSA-NASPO CONTRACT?

Each state and governmental entity has different statutory, legal and procedural requirements. WCSA-NASPO contracts are solicited to allow the broadest possible participation, but the answer depends on your individual legal and procedural requirements. You should check with the Lead State contact listed on the contract page or contact Paul Stembler (contact information below) if you have questions.

I HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE WCSA-NASPO ORGANIZATION OR OTHER THINGS RELATED TO WCSA-NASPO CONTRACTS. WHO DO I CONTACT?

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