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# PIPELINE DEVELOPMENT, MANAGEMENT, AND OPTIMIZATION

Welcome!

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## What is a Pipeline?

- ★ A pipeline is an organized, visual way of tracking multiple government contracting opportunities and their potential buyers through different stages of your sales processes.
- ★ It is an organizational tool, if utilized correctly, helps position your organization by:
  - Identifying potential opportunities and federal buyers that are relevant to an organization's capabilities and sales efforts.
  - Developing and maintaining relationships with federal buyers and industry.
  - Driving customer engagements and sales strategies.
  - Assisting in shaping opportunities by responding and following-up on market research.

- **1.** Determine the "front of funnel" for your pipeline
  - Time Frame?
  - Contract Value?
  - □ Customer Agency?
  - Functional Areas?
  - □ NAICS/PSC?

### How to determine the "front of funnel" for your pipeline:

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- 2. Design the pipeline organization around a usable format for your company
- Don't just take someone's template customize it!
   What order should information appear?



### How to design the pipeline organization:

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# 3. Make opportunities in your pipeline match your company's capabilities and are realistic

This goes beyond just your NAICS and PSC codes.
 Look past the "keyword" search.

#### How to make sure opportunities match your company's capabilities:

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# 4. Populate the pipeline through online research (and include the weblinks)

- beta.sam.gov
- grants.gov
- GSA eBuy
- Challenge.gov
- Federal Agency Forecasts
- NSA ARC
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#### How to populate your pipeline:

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