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DoIT's Hybrid Cloud Direction – A Project Series

In choosing a hybrid cloud or "Cloud Right" delivery model, we have options in deciding where to run our workload, depending upon the business requirements. DoIT's journey to the Hybrid Cloud parallels our need to transform into a true service provider model that will allow us to provide high quality, cost efficient services to our agencies. We continue to simplify, standardize and automate, allowing us to be more agile while improving security and compliance. A Software Defined Architecture (SDA) or Software Defined Data Center (SDDC) is the foundation of our approach and allows us to manage consistent infrastructure and operations across our private data centers and public clouds. We can easily modernize our infrastructure, automate the delivery and management of IT services, and be prepared to run modern cloud-native and microservices-based applications, if needed. We have standardized on VMware's software-defined architecture which offers integrated compute, network and storage virtualization technologies, together with automation and management solutions. More next week . . .

Department on Aging Offers New Site for the Elderly

Consumers and their families can now search location, needs, preferences and amenities available when exploring care providers for the elderly. The search engine is based on the county of residence and the application is an easy tool for Illinois' aging community to find services and understand how to receive those services, all with one click. A google translator and option to increase font size are all tailored to meet the needs of this growing demographic. With a mobile-friendly platform, the new application is easy to access and use. Providers are actively engaged in updating their information to reflect all the ways in which they can serve the elderly. Click here to see a glimpse of the new system that also includes an *Automated Medication Dispenser* and options for home delivered meals.

Recommitting to IT Accessibility

The federal government recently enacted the "21st Century Integrated Digital Experience Act (IDEA)." IDEA requires federal agencies to make their public-facing websites usable, mobile-friendly, and reinforces that they must be accessible to people with disabilities. DoIT is following this action and preparing for any impact this may have on Illinois by convening a Web Accessibility Competency Group. If you are interested in being part of the group or have questions, please email Mike.Scott@Illinois.gov.

DoIT FYIs and Reminders

Groundhog Day will be recognized on Saturday, February 2nd, approximately the halfway point of astronomical winter. If Punxsutawney Phil sees his shadow, we are in for six more weeks of winter. But, haven't we suffered enough already this winter? Fingers crossed . . .

Stay informed of the latest employment openings at DoIT and be sure to use the updated CMS-100 application, as instructed.