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DoIT’s Hybrid Cloud Direction – A Project Series
VSphere, vSAN and NSX are the foundational technologies supporting the DoIT Hybrid Cloud strategy. vSAN is VMware’s software-defined, secure, shared storage solution that is integrated with hypervisor. Hypervisor is the process that creates and runs virtual machines. vSAN will support the critical business applications we manage today, while allowing easy adoption of new technologies as business needs arise in the future. The integration of vSAN with vSphere simplifies storage administration by utilizing storage policy-based management (SPBM), which is at the foundation of software defined storage and enables administrators to easily plan for capacity, performance and differentiated service levels. Part of the benefit of choosing a hybrid cloud strategy for deploying resources is the ability to optimize how we provision workloads on-demand. Our next discussion will be NSX, the SDN network virtualization and security platform.

Our First Thinkin’ Lincoln Award
Chris Pence received DoIT’s first “Thinkin’ Lincoln” Award and was recently recognized by her peers for her passion, creativity and tenacity in service delivery as she remains committed to serving Illinois’ Veterans across the state. Chris has worked in state government for nearly twenty years and has been supporting Veterans for the past fourteen. She looks forward to her continued support of Veterans from the enterprise level as a DoIT team member. The Thinkin’ Lincoln Award was created to complement our Quarterly OneDoIT Achievement Awards and to celebrate the entrepreneurial spirit that abounds across our supported agencies. Link here for photos.

IL ACTS ERP Team Offers Many Support Channels
The IL ACTS ERP team is happy to assist users through many avenues. Training materials in several varieties, including job aids for functional processes, Computer Based Training (CBT) modules and general training handouts are posted on our training materials website. The IL ACTS user group kicks off the last week of February and if you are interested in participating, agency CFOs have been given information to share. The user group will be an opportunity to share information and respond to live user questions. Demonstrations will be scheduled according to interest generated in the user group. The DoIT Helpdesk remains the primary route for fielding specific issues and can be reached by phone (217.524.3648 or 312.814.3648) or via Report Problems Online to create a ticket. The IL ACTS ERP team also remains available to connect with users one-on-one based on availability.

DoIT FYIs and Reminders
Our offices will be closed on Monday, February 18 to honor George Washington who was born on February 22, 1732. Presidents’ Day or Washington’s Birthday is a federal holiday and has been celebrated on the third Monday in February since 1885. Happy birthday George!

Please remember to use the updated templates on the DoIT Employee Portal for all official DoIT documents.