ETS AND OBAS LEAD DGS TO VICTORY WITH A 2019 NASCA AWARD WIN!

National Association of State Chief Administrators (NASCA) established the Innovations in State Government Awards program to recognize state administration department programs and projects that exemplify best practices. This awards program recognizes one outstanding state government initiative in each of the following four categories:

- **GENERAL SERVICES**
  - Procurement, fleet, mail, printing, supplies, surplus

- **INFRASTRUCTURE**
  - Facilities, construction, information technology, telecommunication

- **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT**
  - Risk management, accounting, state budget, state insurance, audit

- **PERSONNEL**
  - Human resources, professional development, training

DGS’ Innovations in State Government submission “e-signature for Acquisitions” was chosen as a winner in the category of General Services for 2019.

This project helped DGS automate our contract approval process and in doing so helped us increase our transparency, accountability, and overall operational effectiveness. The ability to execute contracts using e-Signature has created a lot of efficiencies cutting down on the amount of time for document processing. e-Signature has created transparency throughout the contract routing process essentially eliminating the need to chase down documents.

Now that e-Signature technology has been implemented at DGS, we look forward to sharing these tools with other departments across the state. e-Signature on contracts is just the beginning!

This is DGS’ second consecutive year being honored by NASCA. In 2018, the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) was awarded with the Innovations in State Government in the category of Infrastructure for their implementation of “Secure e-File”.

**PHENOMENAL WORK ETS AND OBAS!**

Watch the NASCA awards video [here](#).