



The New DoD Systems Acquisition Process

KEY FOCUS AREAS

- **Deliver advanced technology to warfighters faster**
 - ✎ Rapid acquisition with demonstrated technology
 - ✎ Time-phased requirements and evolutionary development
 - ✎ Integrated test and evaluation

- **Reduce total ownership costs**
 - ✎ Cost as a requirement that drives design, procurement, and support
 - ✎ Increased competition

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KEY FOCUS AREAS (Contd.)

- **More flexible process focused on interoperability, supportability, and affordability**
 - ❧ Integration of acquisition and logistics
 - ❧ Interoperability as a Key Performance Parameter
 - ❧ Improve software management
 - ❧ Emphasis on total system support and operational sustainment

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IMPLEMENTATION CHALLENGES

- **Employing new product support strategies**
- **Accepting a militarily useful capability early, based on demonstrated technology, and obtaining objective capability when technology matures**
- **Ensuring that successive evolutionary blocks are adequately funded**
- **Ensuring that “transition funding” is available to speed the transition of successful demonstrations to acquisition**
- **Integrating the test and evaluation community into the new acquisition approach**
- **Ensuring that the workforce (including industry) is adequately trained to successfully implement the new approach**
- **Assuring Congress that the new approach will maintain their visibility into DoD programs and continue their ability to verify DoD’s accountability for program success**