Homeland Security Acquisition Innovation Roundtable This process overview is a product of the DHS Acquisition Innovations in Motion (AI*i*M) Acquisition Innovative Roundtable, which brought together industry and government representatives to discuss knowledge gaps in the security process.

## Prior to the Contract Award

Homeland Security releases an RFP/RFQ: SOW defines the position risk level

## Industry Responds to RFP/RFQ:

A staffing plan is developed based on the SOW released in the RFP/RFQ. Industry extends employment offer contingent on award of contract and fitness.

## **Contract Awarded**

A Contracting Officer (CO) holds a kick-off meeting to start the contract. This includes a representative from the employer, possible key personnel, the COR and program manager from the government and industry side. During this meeting, a staffing plan will be discussed and reviewed with designated levels of fitness required. Security documentation, including the security screening request form: DHS Form 11000.25, begins the security process.

