



Transparency Act of 2008 Agency Independent Contract FAQs

1. What is an agency independent contract?

An agency independent contract is a written agreement between a state agency and another party (vendor) for a specific purpose, including the purchase of products and services.

2. What type of contract information is recorded?

Users have the option of searching for specific contacts by agency, vendor name, service type, contract number, and/or by specified date ranges. Contract details displayed include contract amounts, vendor location, the contract description, information pertaining to any contract modifications, and agency contact information.

3. Why is the location for some agency independent contracts not showing on the screen?

As specifically authorized by the Transparency legislation, information for certain types of payments determined to be confidential is excluded from the website information.

4. Who is responsible in making sure agency independent contract information is kept confidential?

Contract data displayed is the sole responsibility of the state agency that furnishes the information to DFA for posting on this website. Each state agency must comply with the Mississippi Accountability and Transparency Act of 2008 and is responsible for the confidentiality and accuracy of the information provided.