

# Creating a secure digital-first environment for federal agencies

Okta and GovSlack are working together to provide a secure digital workspace for government agencies and their partners

As a mission-based enterprise, the federal government should make it as easy as possible for their employees to collaborate with other agencies, partners, and contractors. Managing complex, distributed workforces without sacrificing security is essential to protecting and empowering federal talent.

Too often, agencies struggle to find a scalable digital solution that can bring together siloed departments while remaining compliant with strict security measures. When entire teams can securely access a shared platform, collaboration and productivity are no longer limited through emails, scheduled meetings, or other short-lived applications. Security is also enhanced by eliminating the need for text messaging using unauthorized devices.

Built for secure, mission-critical environments, Okta and GovSlack are working together to help federal agencies accelerate collaboration and improve productivity. The solutions can be used in conjunction with each other to provide a centralized digital workspace with frictionless, secure access that is built specifically for increased productivity, security, governance, and end-to-end workflow.

GovSlack modernizes how work gets done by bringing together your entire team on a single platform,

removing silos, and improving workflow efficiency. GovSlack is a dedicated Slack client built to support key security standards needed by government agencies — and the organizations that work alongside them. Built off of Slack's Enterprise Grid offering, GovSlack enables teams to work with greater agility while providing IT administrators with centralized tools to manage security and maintain compliance across the entire organization. What makes GovSlack unique is its ability for external agencies and contractors to collaborate directly with your team when they integrate GovSlack into their own IT environment.

As a GovSlack certified Identity provider, Okta brings trusted Identity and access management capabilities to the platform, ensuring your agency receives all the compliance benefits of working in a digital-first environment without compromising security.

Okta's easy-to-manage access policies simplify and automate user lifecycle management for the extended enterprise. Together, Okta and GovSlack create a seamless user experience that keeps your workforce secure while remaining compliant with Identity security policies.

Solutions offered by Okta and GovSlack enable secure collaboration across agency departments and contractors, regardless of the workplace model. Tailored specifically for government agencies, Okta and

GovSlack have created a digital-first environment to help agencies enhance existing technology investments and mature in their digital transformation journey.

Create a seamless user experience that offers:



**1. Flexibility**

GovSlack helps remote and hybrid teams remain flexible and agile to get their work done, no matter when or where they work and on which device; Okta securely authenticates employee, contractors, and hybrid teams using secure flexible MFA



**2. Productivity**

GovSlack provides a directory of curated applications that can integrate with Slack, which shows the compliance status of each app, allowing GovSlack users to choose integrations that align with their security requirements



**3. Scalability**

GovSlack offers unlimited message and file history, making it easy to find context from past decisions and get new team members up-to-speed faster by searching across people, channels and files



**4. Usability**

GovSlack consolidates your IT environment into a no-code, single-pane visibility platform,

creating a frictionless user experience; Okta provides flexible policies to auto-provision and deprovision GovSlack access for end-to-end workforce lifecycle



**5. Security**

Okta's Identity-driven security throughout GovSlack and integrated applications monitors for and takes action against threats and suspicious activity across the enterprise, including app-specific policies and step-up authentication



**6. Compliance**

GovSlack is built for secure mission-critical environments, with FedRAMP-High and DoD IL-4 certifications in process; Okta is revolutionizing cloud-based Identity management, the first pillar of Zero Trust, offering two authorizations: Okta for US Military (IL4 conditional PA) and Okta for Government Moderate (FedRAMP Moderate ATO)

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**About Okta**

Okta is the leading independent identity provider. The Okta Identity Cloud enables organizations to securely connect the right people to the right technologies at the right time. We provide simple and secure access to people and organizations everywhere, giving them the confidence to reach their full potential. To learn more, visit [okta.com](https://okta.com)

**About GovSlack**

GovSlack connects your people, tools, and partners in one place while targeting key government regulations for processing and storing sensitive data. With GovSlack, organizations can break down communication silos—both internally and externally—and give people the flexibility to do their best work.

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