

# **CNSI to Speak at SD Best Practices 2006 on “Agile Software Development in the Medicaid Market”**

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**WHAT: "Bringing Agility to the Rigid World of State MMIS Projects"** Agile adoption is difficult to achieve on large government software projects. With a generally bureaucratic environment, a wide number of stakeholders and geographically dispersed teams, such projects may not seem like the ideal environment in which to try the agile approach. This case study explores CNSI's foray into agile software development on its MMIS project. Using agile development methodology on its base system, "eCAMS, " CNSI designed, developed and implemented the industry's first J2EE, Web-centric MMIS. Attendees will hear about the real-world pains in adopting agile techniques on this project. The panel will provide lessons learned and best practices for changing an organization's life cycle development model to agile. Also, CNSI will discuss how we adapted collaboration tools and used technology to eliminate the barriers with dispersed teams.

**WHEN:** Tuesday, September 12 @ 10:30 a.m.- noon **WHERE:** SD Best Practices 2006 Hynes Convention Center Boston, MA For more information and/or to set up an interview with CNSI, please contact Kristin Martell at (301) 634-4612 or [kristin.martell@cns-inc.com](mailto:kristin.martell@cns-inc.com). For more info about the conference, please visit <http://www.sdexpo.com/2006/sdbp/overview.htm>.

## **ABOUT CNSI**

Founded in April 1994, CNSI is a premier provider of IT business solutions for government and commercial enterprises. Based in Rockville, Maryland, CNSI delivers technology and resource expertise that improve the efficiency and productivity of IT systems. Focused on supporting clients that ensure the safety, health, and efficiency of the nation, CNSI serves customers such as the Department of Homeland Security, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Energy, and several state Medicaid agencies. Over the last 10 years, CNSI has earned top industry honors and regular inclusion in the Inc. 500, VARBusiness 500, and the Techway Fast 50 lists for

consistently high revenue growth. Additional information about CNSI can be obtained by visiting <http://www.cns-inc.com>.