Components. The benefits to the DoD Components and the private sector organizations are the primary considerations in initiating assignments; not the desires or personal needs of an individual employee.

§ 241.2 Definitions.
In this part:
Assignment means the detail of a DoD employee to a private sector organization without a change of position; or the assignment of a private sector employee to a DoD Component without a change of position.
DoD employee means a Federal civilian employee of the DoD.
Exceptional employee for the purposes of this pilot means an employee who demonstrates unusually good performance which is consistently better than expected at the fully successful level or above. Performance meets or exceeds all standards established at the fully successful level or above and makes significant contributions towards achieving the organizational goals.
Information technology (IT) as defined in section 11101 of title 40, U.S.C. includes computers, ancillary equipment (including imaging peripherals, input, output, and storage devices necessary for security and surveillance), peripheral equipment designed to be controlled by the central processing unit of a computer, software, firmware and similar procedures, services (including support services), and related resources.
Information Technology Management (ITM) means the planning, organizing, staffing, directing, integrating, or controlling of information technology, including occupational specialty areas such as systems administration, IT project management, network services, operating systems, software application, cybersecurity, enterprise architecture, policy and planning, internet/web services, customer support, data management and systems analysis.
Private sector organization means nonpublic or commercial individuals and businesses, nonprofit organizations, academia, scholastic institutions, and nongovernmental organizations.
Small business concern means a business concern that satisfies the definitions and standards by the Administrator of the Small Business Administration (SBA) as defined by section 3703 (e)(2)(A) of title 5, U.S.C.

§ 241.3 Assignment authority.
The Secretary of Defense may with the agreement, of the private sector organization concerned, arrange for the temporary assignment of an employee to such a private sector organization or from such a private sector organization to a DoD Component.

§ 241.4 Eligibility.
(a) To be eligible for an ITEP assignment, a DoD or private sector employee must:
(1) Work in the field of information technology management;
(2) Be considered an exceptional employee;
(3) Be expected to assume increased information technology management responsibilities in the future; and
(4) Must be compensated at the GS-11 level or above (or the equivalent).
(b) In addition to meeting the requirements of paragraph (a) of this section, the DoD employee must be serving under a career or career-conditional appointment or an appointment of equivalent tenure in the excepted service.
(c) The private sector employee must meet citizenship requirements for Federal employment in accordance with 5 CFR 7.3 and 338.101, as well as any other statutory requirements. When a position requires a security clearance, the person must possess, or be able to obtain an appropriate security clearance.
(d) Proposed assignment meets applicable requirements of section 209(b) of the E-Government Act of 2002.

§ 241.5 Written agreements.
(a) Before an assignment begins, the head of the DoD Component, private sector organization and the employee to be assigned to ITEP must sign a three-party agreement. Prior to the agreement being signed the relevant legal office for the DoD Component shall review and approve the agreement. The agreement must include, but is not limited to the following elements: