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 Support service partners (e.g., to enable initial regulatory requirements, file patents, provide legal counsel, etc.) engaged and qualified 	 a) Scope of work required (e.g., IND preparation, patent creation, legal counsel, etc.) b) Partner engagement strategy (e.g., outsourced activity, insourced activity, consultation, etc.) c) Confirmation of capabilities & services d) Previous experience with partner (e.g., successes & failures) e) Preliminary cost information f) Lead times / time in the queue 	 Summary of key data and rationale to support partner selection Additional detail may be reported in an appendix