DATA TRANSPARENCY 2015
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TRACK 1: GOVERNMENT MANAGEMENT
Track Introduction: Government Management

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An Open Data Future for Grants and Contracts

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Open Data Future for Grants

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AGA is the *only* association supporting more than 14,000 government financial professionals working in federal, state and local governments as well as the private, nonprofit and academic sectors.

- **31%** Federal Government
- **31%** State Government
- **12%** Local Government
- **16%** Private Sector
- **10%** Academia, students, non-profits and retired members
AGA serves as a DATA Act Reference Point

- Coordination with OMB, Treasury and HHS
- Webinars, National Conference Sessions
- Corporate Partner DATA Act Advisory Group
- AGA DATA Act Information Hub:
  - Containing links to webcasts and relevant congressional hearings, power point presentations, discussion documents
- Clearinghouse for comments, data element descriptions, examples include:
  - “Red Phone” group, Recipient group, Intergovernmental partnership
View of the DATA Act "journey"
Data Transparency 2015

DATA Act Implementation

Prepared by DAP
September 23, 2015
In May 2014, Public Law 113-101 Digital Accountability and Transparency Act of 2014 (DATA Act) was signed into law with the purpose to establish government-wide financial data standards and increase the availability, accuracy, and usefulness of Federal spending information.

**Requirements**

- Establish Government-wide Data Standards
- Simplify Reporting
- Improve Quality of Data

**Opportunities**

- Improvements in the federal financial reporting process
- Better quality data
- System efficiencies
- Enhanced oversight and management decision-making
- Increased transparency into the federal financial process

Subsequent to the passing of the DATA Act, HHS was designated by OMB as the executing agent of the Section 5 Pilot. In this role, HHS is tasked with establishing and reporting the results of a pilot program relating to federal grant recipient reporting.
The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) DATA Act Program Office (DAP) serves as the executing agent for the Section 5 Pilot requirement for Federal grants. The goal of the Section 5 Pilot is to facilitate the development of recommendations for—

“(A) standardized reporting elements across the Federal Government (§5(b)(1)(A));
(B) the elimination of unnecessary duplication in financial reporting (§5(b)(1)(B)); and
(C) the reduction of compliance costs for recipients of Federal awards (§5(b)(1)(C)).”

HHS DAP created the Section 5 Grants Pilot Framework, which takes a holistic approach to meeting the Section 5 Pilot Goals by:

- Collecting feedback through the National Dialogue
- Analyzing data standards
- Testing initiatives like C-DERL, Single Audit, Consolidated FFR, GIG, and other initiatives as appropriate.
- Each component of the Framework interacts with and informs the others.

**Section 5 Pilot Goals**

- Standardize reporting elements
- Eliminate unnecessary duplication
- Reduce compliance costs for Federal award recipients
DATA ACT IMPACT

FEDERAL VIEW

- Changes in reporting requirements
- System changes
- Improvements in operational efficiency

PUBLIC VIEW

- Reduced burden associated with finding and applying for grants
- Increased transparency into the Federal Financial process
- Reduced grant recipient reporting burden
SECTION 5 GRANTS PILOT: Testing Initiatives
The National Dialogue is a web-based communication platform that provides the opportunity for a diverse collection of grant recipients and contractors to engage in discussions on compliance costs and ideas for reducing reporting burden. It is the primary mechanism for collecting data/feedback on the Section 5 Grants Pilot.

The National Dialogue was launched May 2015. Stakeholder feedback and participation will be critical to the success of this testing initiative.

Join the National Dialogue: https://cxo.dialogue2.cao.gov/
GIG provides information for grant recipients to access federal grant lifecycle information via the “Learn Grants” tab. The data gathered from this testing initiative will be both qualitative and quantitative.


In July 2015, GIG received 55,533 visits. Over 54% of responding users continue to rate the tool 8 out of 10 or higher in its ability to answer their questions.

**Legislation Alignment:**
GIG engages a diverse set of stakeholders and provides more comprehensive training earlier in the grants lifecycle process to help enhance recipient compliance during post-award activities.
The Common Data Element Repository Library (C-DERL) is a Federal-wide online, searchable repository for data standards, definitions, and context. C-DERL provides a forum to engage federal and public stakeholders in further defining Federal financial and business terms/definitions inclusive of agreed-upon standardized data elements. **Through C-DERL we can facilitate:**

- Access to agreed upon data standards
- Improved financial transparency
- Consistency of Federal Financial business terms and definitions
- Assisting the Federal government in creating information collection instruments

Access C-DERL: [https://repository.usaspending.gov/poc-tool/](https://repository.usaspending.gov/poc-tool/)

**Legislation Alignment:**
C-DERL addresses implementation of standardized reporting elements and can be leveraged to reduce unnecessary duplication in reporting, which reduces grantee burden.

Currently, C-DERL can identify data elements within the universe of grant forms.
## Data Element Search Results

**Policy View = Public View**

### Data Element Name
- CFDA program title
- CFDA program title means the title of the program under which the Federal award was funded in the CFDA.

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Technical View = Federal View
Data Element Name — CFDA program title

Status: Approved

Data Element Definition:
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Field Label(s):

Data Type:

Field Implementation:

List of Values:

Data Element Min Length/Value:

Data Element Max Length/Value:

Instructions:

Category: Grants/Financial Assistance

Reference: Uniform Grant Guidance

Analyzed By:

Found in 5 Form(s)
- Application for Federal Domestic Assistance - Short Organizational (4040-0003)
- Application for Federal Domestic Assistance - Individual (4040-0005)
- SF-424 R&R Multi-Project Cover (4040-0001)
Ultimately, the Section 5 Pilot will inform the changes needed to meet the reporting requirements of the DATA Act. Doing so will help to standardize government reporting, reduce reporting burden, and improve quality of data.

The biggest driver of success for the Section 5 Grants Pilot will be your participation and feedback.

Visit C-DERL at [https://repository.usaspending.gov/poc-tool/](https://repository.usaspending.gov/poc-tool/)

Send all inquiries and feedback to DataActPMO@hhs.gov

Join the National Dialogue [https://cxo.dialogue2.cao.gov/](https://cxo.dialogue2.cao.gov/)


USASpending.gov [https://www.usaspending.gov/Pages/Data-Act.aspx](https://www.usaspending.gov/Pages/Data-Act.aspx)
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Sharanjit “Sunny” Singh, Office of the CFO, Treasury Department
Joe Kull, PwC (moderator)
NETWORKING BREAK

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Open Data in the Next Presidential Administration

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Dave McCulloch, Communications Director, Transitions in Governance 2016
Robert Shea, Chair, National Academy of Public Administration
Steve Ressler, GovLoop (moderator)