FEDERAL DEMONSTRATION PARTNERSHIP
Redefining the Government & University Research Partnership

DATA Act
Joint Working Group

FDP Meeting

September 3, 2015

eRA:

- **Mark Sweet, University of Wisconsin - Madison**
- **Jason Hitchcock, NIFA**
- **Bronda Harrison, EPA**

Open Government:

- **Richard Fenger, University of Washington**
- **Open Co-chair position**

FDP Activities

- DATA Act presentation:
    - Thursday 2:20pm
    - DATA Act PMO to discuss current state, pilot, and additional opportunities for FDP involvement

    - Thursday 3:50pm
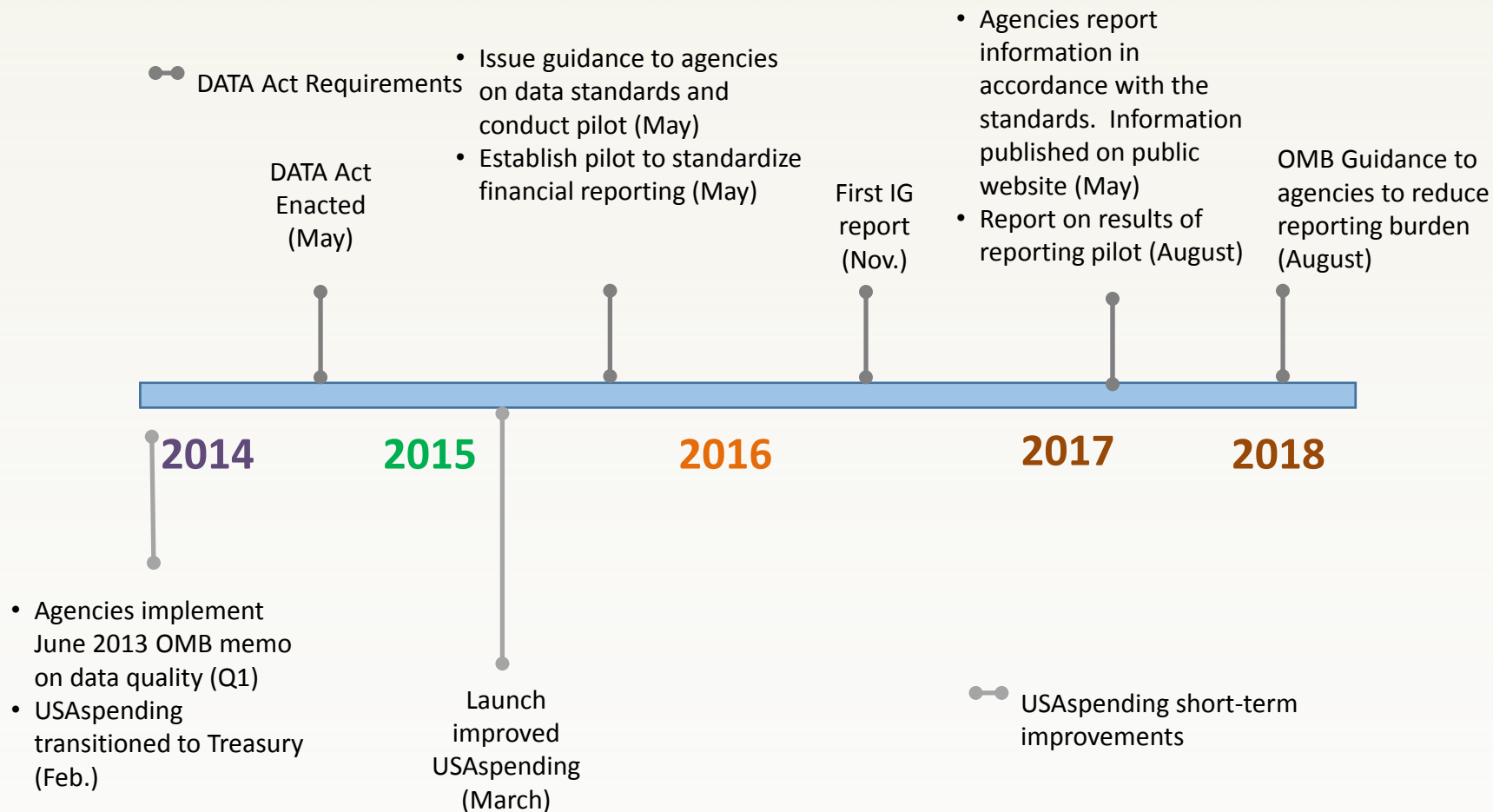   - Additional discussions on reporting pain points with DATA Act PMO

DATA Act

Digital Accountability and Transparency Act of 2014

- Law to requires a comprehensive approach to making federal spending data more transparent
- **OMB** and **Treasury** are tasked with implementing the legislation
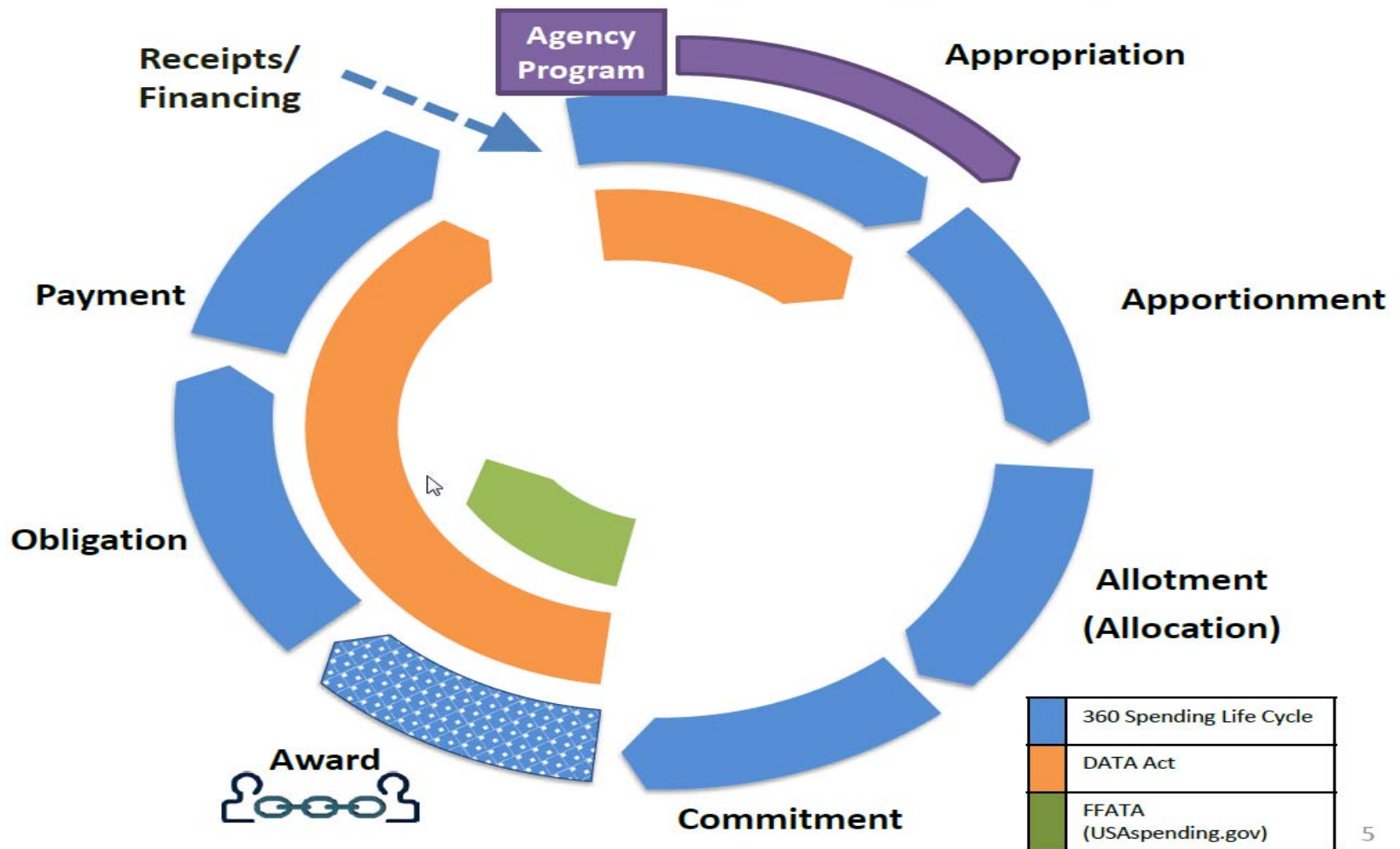- **HHS** providing pilot and development support via **PMO**

DATA Act Timeline

DATA Act Requirements

- Issue guidance to agencies on data standards and conduct pilot (May)
- Establish pilot to standardize financial reporting (May)

DATA Act Enacted (May)

First IG report (Nov.)

- Agencies report information in accordance with the standards. Information published on public website (May)
- Report on results of reporting pilot (August)

OMB Guidance to agencies to reduce reporting burden (August)

2014   **2015**   **2016**   **2017**   **2018**

- Agencies implement June 2013 OMB memo on data quality (Q1)
- USAspending transitioned to Treasury (Feb.)

Launch improved USAspending (March)

USAspending short-term improvements

DATA Act in Context of Spending Life Cycle

Note: This visual is illustrative and is not intended to be a precise depiction of the Federal spending life cycle.

FDP Brief History

- Initial Analysis - Open Gov
- **DATA ACT passes - May 2014**
- Joint DATA ACT Working Group (JDAWG) established (Policy/Admin/Tech) - Open Gov & eRA
- Workgroups - Data element feedback and draft FDP response - JDAWG
- **DATA ACT Pilot Kicks off - May 2015**
- Initial data element feedback period opens - 5/9/2015
- Feedback for initial data elements closes - 8/28/15

FDP DATA Act References

Open Government and eRA groups working together:

- Open Government group has put together several documents related to reporting data elements: http://sites.nationalacademies.org/PGA/fdp/PGA_072284

- Jan 2015 presentation from OMB & Treasury : http://sites.nationalacademies.org/cs/groups/pgasite/documents/webpage/pga_153384.pdf

DATA Act National Dialog Site

- OMB wants feedback during the pilot phase

- National Dialog website established to get feedback from public

- Institutions are encouraged to answer questions and provide feedback

- https://cxo.dialogue2.cao.gov/a/pages/gsa-challenges

Other Feedback Sites:

- GitHub – Data Element level discussion

- Grants.gov Pilots – Data Act: Includes C-DER

  - **C-DER** - Standardized data elements for reporting on federal grants are being collected in a federal-wide resource called the Common Data Element Repository Library (C-DER Library), which is managed by the HHS DATA Act Program Management Office (PMO)

Today's Presentation

HHS DATA Act PMO

- **Michael Peckham** – Director

- **Chris Zeleznik** – Program Integration and Oversight

DATA Act Timeline

May 9, 2014	**DATA Act signed into law (Public Law 113-101)**
May 9, 2015	OMB and Treasury finalize government-wide financial standards, including common data elements, unique award identifiers, and fields. [Sec 4, (c)(1)]
	Begin pilot program on recipient reporting based on common data elements defined by OMB and Treasury [Sec 5, (b)(1)]
May 9, 2017	Pilot program terminates [Sec 5, (b)(5)]
90 days after 5/9/17	Report to Congress 90 days after the completion of the Pilot [Sec 5,(b)(6)]
May 9, 2018 + 90 days	Recipient reporting begins on all Federal funds based on common data elements defined by OMB and Treasury. This is 1 year after the Report to Congress [Sec 5, (b)(7)]
	Agency reporting begins on spending from each appropriations account