



FEDERAL DEMONSTRATION PARTNERSHIP
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DATA Act Update

FDP Meeting

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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



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



Current DATA Act Activities

- Pilot phase- iterative process
- Still in the data gathering stage to determine what specific things could be piloted
- FDP, COGR, AAU, and others are in conversations with OMB/Treasury about the DATA Act



FDP DATA Act Activities

- 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/PGA072284>
- Presentation from OMB & Treasury Jan 2015:
http://sites.nationalacademies.org/cs/groups/pgasite/documents/webpage/pga_153384.pdf



FDP Activities

- DATA Act presentations Sept 2015:
 - Thursday 2:20pm
 - DATA Act Project Management Office (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 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](https://fedspendingtransparency.github.io/dataelements/) – Data Element level discussion
<https://fedspendingtransparency.github.io/dataelements/>
- [Grants.gov Pilots](http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/outreach/grants-gov-pilots.html) – Data Act: Includes C-DER
<http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/outreach/grants-gov-pilots.html>
 - **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)**



Questions?