

ACL DATA COUNCIL 2020

Year in Review

PURPOSE

Support ACL's mission by improving the coordination of ACL's data governance, including the development of improved processes and standards for defining, collecting, reviewing, certifying, analyzing, and presenting data ACL collects through its evaluation, grant reporting, and administrative performance measures.

APPROACH

1. Identify risks and challenges for ACL's data
2. Prioritize identified risks and challenges, balancing the resources needed to address them and potential benefits
3. Identify approaches to address risks and challenges; e.g., have contractor develop initial drafts of products
4. Propose products, such as white papers or guidelines for metadata to accompany completed datasets; develop language for footnotes to accompany data releases, etc.

MEMBERS

23 Council Members, representing:

- ◆ ACL Regional Administrators
- ◆ Administration on Aging
- ◆ Administration on Disabilities
- ◆ Center for Innovation and Partnership
- ◆ Center for Policy and Evaluation
- ◆ National Institute on Disability, Independent Living, and Rehabilitation Research
- ◆ Office of Information Resources Management
- ◆ Office of Performance and Evaluation



2 Working Groups

Data Quality



11 members

Data Governance Standards



10 members

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Outputs

Held 10 Meetings



- ◆ 3 quarterly Data Council meetings
- ◆ 3 Data Quality Working Group meetings
- ◆ 4 Data Governance Standards Working Group meetings

Developed 6 Products



1. Data Council framework
2. Data quality needs assessment
3. Sample text focused on data quality for funding opportunity announcements (FOAs)
4. Data Quality 101 infographic
5. Annotated bibliography for existing Federal data standards, frameworks, and models
6. Data governance primer

Key Outcomes Identified by Council Members



- ◆ Identified ACL data needs and gaps
- ◆ Gained better understanding of ACL programs
- ◆ Began sharing effective data practices across ACL programs
- ◆ Strengthened interagency relationships and collaboration with Department of Homeland Security and Social Security Administration