



Re Imagining How HHS Serves the American People

Re Invent Grants Management (RGM)

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DATA Act Overview

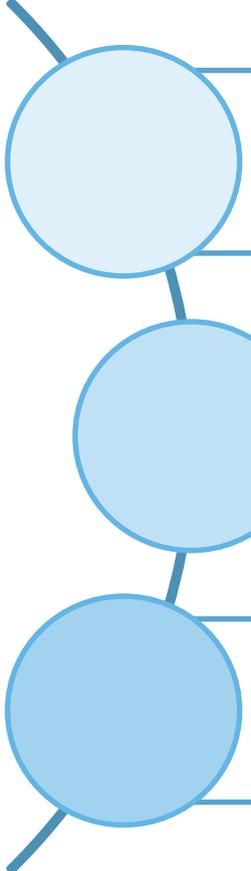
In May 2014, Public Law 113-101 Digital Accountability and Transparency Act of 2014 (DATA Act) was signed into law with the purpose to establish Government-wide financial data standards and increase the availability, accuracy, and



Refer to the complete [DATA Act legislation](#) for additional information.

Section 5 Pilot Overview

The goal of the Section 5 Pilot (Pilot) was to implement Section 5 of the Digital Accountability and Transparency Act (DATA Act) of 2014, Pub. L. No. 113-101, which requires the Federal Government to, “establish a pilot program with the participation of appropriate Federal agencies 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));

(C) the reduction of compliance costs for recipients of Federal awards (§5(b)(1)(C)).”

Pilot Test Models

HHS established five Pilot Test Models to be conducted with grant recipients. Test Model execution was carried out from March 2016 through May 2017. Results and conclusions were then analyzed to develop recommendations for Congress.

Single Audit

Single Audit is an organization-wide financial statement and federal award audit.

Learn Grants

Learn Grants is a tab on the Grants.gov website that provides grant recipients access to federal grants lifecycle information.

Consolidated Federal Financial Reporting (FFR)

Federal Financial Report (FFR) is a form that federal grant recipients are required to fill out and submit to their grant-awarding agency.

Notice of Award – Proof of Concept (NOA – POC)

NOA – POC is a document containing information a grant recipient needs in order to perform routine accounting and finance operations.

Common Data Element Repository (CDER) Library

CDER Library is designed to be a federal-wide, online repository for grants-specific data standards, definitions, and context.

Pilot Recommendations to Congress

OMB submitted the Report to Congress in August 2017. Recommendations in this report include:

Recommendation #1: Continue to standardize data elements, conditions, and attributes to meet the statutory, regulatory, and business needs of the various communities.

Recommendation #2: Eliminate unnecessary duplication in reporting by leveraging opportunities to use information technology that can easily auto-populate from relevant existing Federal data sources.

Recommendation #3: Leverage information technology open standards to rapidly develop any new tools needed.

Through the DATA Act Pilot Test Models, it was recognized that there are opportunities to improve and streamline the grants processes, as well as the related systems used in the grants management lifecycle.

ReImagine HHS

REIMAGINE HHS



ReImagine HHS is a multi-year transformation effort, led by HHS staff, enabling the Department to address today's toughest challenges...

Internal and external challenges have **created a burning platform for HHS transformation:**

- Increasing healthcare and drug costs
- Health emergencies (opioid addiction, disaster relief)
- Major innovations and disruptions, such as new healthcare delivery mechanisms, cloud, big data, and cognitive science
- Siloed organizations and inefficient enabling systems



*...while meeting Administration and OMB requirements to **Reorganize the Executive Branch***

An **Executive Order and OMB Memo 17-22** required each agency to submit a reform plan that improved organizational efficiency/effectiveness

- HHS submitted its Agency Reform Plan in Sept 2017

HHS continues to coordinate with OMB, who is responsible for developing:

- **Comprehensive Reorganization Plan**
- FY19 Budget submission to Congress
- President's Management Agenda (PMA)

Through *ReImagine*, we will improve how we fulfill our mission to enhance the health and well-being of all Americans – together, we are creating the HHS of the future.



ReInvent Grants Management

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Today... portions of the grants management process within HHS are complex, fragmented, and managed differently within various Operating Divisions and Staff Divisions.

The ReInvent Grants Management Vision

Create a **single user experience**, improve **grants management administration**, and enhance **grants performance measurement** to increase transparency, optimization of resources, and efficiency across HHS while eliminating duplication across each OpDiv, StaffDiv, and external stakeholder.

Vision

Objective

Targeted Outcomes

I) Single User Experience



- Single sign-on/access point
- Streamline and simplify data entry and data management
- Align shared services grants systems



- Automated, less burdensome processes
- Increased transparency

II) Grants Management Administration Improvements



- Develop process efficiencies
- Analyze grants functional landscape



- Decrease administrative burden
- Optimize resources
- Increase grant impact

III) Performance Measurement



- Enhance performance measurements during application, award, management
- Develop analytical methods



- Data-driven decision making
- Better assess impact/benefit and utilize outputs

Imagine... a data-enabled, consistent experience for HHS grant recipients, that leads the way in how grants are managed and measured across the Federal Government.

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Thank you!