Thoughts from the Chair

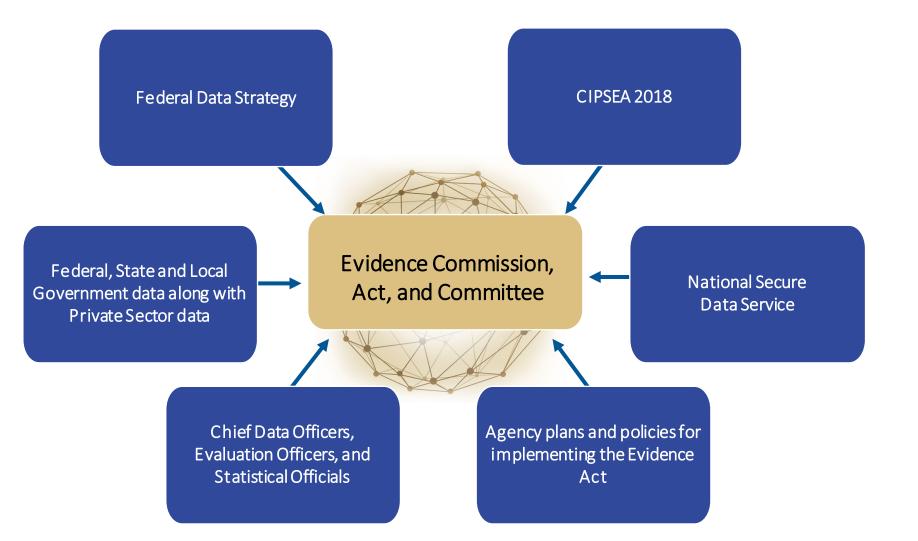## Emilda Rivers, ACDEB Chair

March 2022

Outline

- Promise: The Evolving Data Ecosystem

- Plans and Priorities: Year 2 Mandate and Roadmap

- Perspectives: The Lenses

- Progress: We Keep Moving!

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Promise: The Evolving Data Ecosystem

Plans and Priorities: The Year 2 Mandate

Our mandate as a Committee in Year 2 is to leverage our combined expertise and shape the path of evolution for the Federal statistical system both by (1) guiding near-term actions and (2) fleshing out the longer-term target it should be evolving towards.

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Plans and Priorities: Year 2 Roadmap
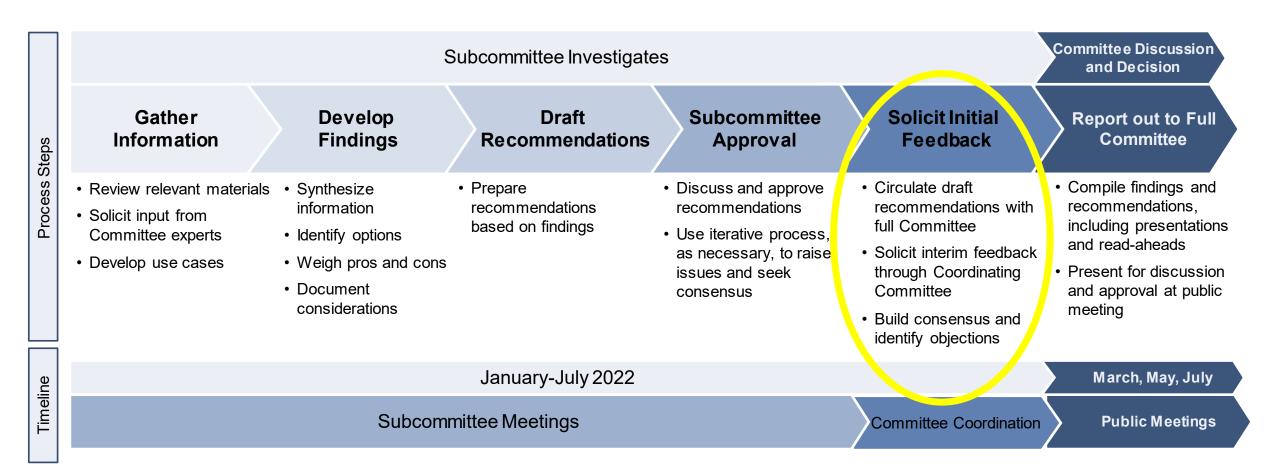
Timeline and Milestones

- **January-July**: Gather information, build findings, draft recommendations, incorporate feedback

- **July 22**: Approve all recommendations

- **July-September**: Draft report

- **October 14**: Deliver Year 2 report to OMB

Mechanisms

- Iterative conversations with OMB/ICSP

- Use cases

- Other information sources

Plans and Priorities: ACDEB's Process

Focus Area Workflow

Process Steps						
	Subcommittee Investigates					**Committee Discussion and Decision**
	Gather Information	**Develop Findings**	**Draft Recommendations**	**Subcommittee Approval**	**Solicit Initial Feedback**	**Report out to Full Committee**
	• Review relevant materials • Solicit input from Committee experts • Develop use cases	• Synthesize information • Identify options • Weigh pros and cons • Document considerations	• Prepare recommendations based on findings	• Discuss and approve recommendations • Use iterative process, as necessary, to raise issues and seek consensus	• Circulate draft recommendations with full Committee • Solicit interim feedback through Coordinating Committee • Build consensus and identify objections	• Compile findings and recommendations, including presentations and read-aheads • Present for discussion and approval at public meeting

Timeline		
	January-July 2022	**March, May, July**
	Subcommittee Meetings	Committee Coordination	**Public Meetings**

Plans and Priorities: ICSP Conversations

ICSP Workstreams

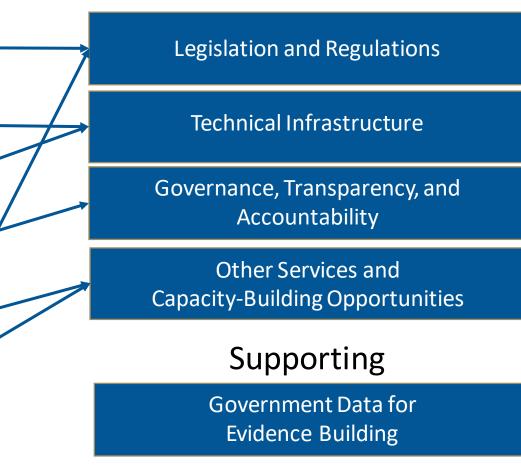| |
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| Access and Confidentiality: Regulation |
| Access and Confidentiality: Methods Coordination |
| Standard Application Process: Technical Development |
| Standard Application Process: Governance |
| Standard Application Process: Technical Assistance |
| Stakeholder Engagement |
| Other Items: Trust Reg |

Primary ACDEB Subcommittees

Legislation and Regulations
Technical Infrastructure
Governance, Transparency, and Accountability
Other Services and Capacity-Building Opportunities

Supporting

Government Data for Evidence Building

Plans and Priorities: Use Cases

Topics

- Education and Workforce
- Labor Market Activity
- Health
- Administrative Data for Measuring Project Outcomes
- Data Inventories and Metadata
- Linking Environmental Quality and Health
- Technical Infrastructure Requirements
- Technical Assistance
- Communications

Cross-Cutting Items

- Focus
- Rationale
- Key Points: Value, Data Sources, Barriers, Possible Solutions, Privacy and Confidentiality
- Perspectives: Subcommittees, Expert Groups

Perspectives: The Lenses

ACDEB Subcommittees

- Legislation and Regulations
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Expert Groups

- ICSP Members (Statistical Agency Heads)
- Evaluation Officers and Performance Improvement Officers
- Chief Data Officers
- State and Local Government
- Private Researchers
- The Privacy Community

Perspectives: ICSP Members (Statistical Agency Heads)

- Very broadly, are there key takeaways from this use case that could yield timely, actionable, and relevant action steps for the federal statistical system?

- Does this model support the implementation of Title III of the Evidence Act (that is, CIPSEA 2018) directly? If so, how? Are there lessons learned that federal agencies could apply as they meet Evidence Act mandates?

- How does this model fit in with and build on what's already under way around the federal statistical system?

- How can this use case inform the "here and now" and better position the system to support the target NSDS?

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Perspectives: Other ACDEB Experts

- Evaluation Officers and Performance Improvement Officers:

  - Does the use case help address existing administrative barriers to program evaluation?

- Chief Data Officers:

  - How does the use case help improve data management practices?

- State and Local Government:

  - How do the involved parties use incentives and/or data standards to facilitate participation in data sharing?

- Private Researchers:

  - Does the use case help facilitate easier and quicker access to data?

- The Privacy Community:

  - Does the use case illustrate the application of advanced privacy enhancing techniques? And address the privacy/quality tradeoff?

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Progress: Standard Application Process

- *What it is:* The SAP will serve as a unified front-door for applying for access to restricted use data from statistical agencies/units

- *Why it helps:* The SAP can serve as a key building block for the NSDS providing a means for data access and discovery

- *How we shape it:* The Committee can shape its design through the ICSP workstreams, providing feedback on the questions they have requested input on, and through the Committee's recommendations

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Progress: NSDS Legislation

Completed Legislation

✓ **CIPSEA 2018**

✓ **Federal Data Service Project Funding**

In-Process Legislation

✓ **NSDS Demonstration Proposal – House Version**

✓ **NSDS Demonstration Proposal – Senate Version**

? Next Step: Conference Outcome

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