April 17 Meeting Notes 2025

Government Data Advisory Board (GDAB)

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Tuesday, April 17 · 12:00 am – 1:30 pm

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Type of Meeting	**GDAB 2024 Meeting: April 17, 2025**
Facilitator	Amy Bhhikha
Note Taker	**Katherine Hochevar**
Timekeeper	

Attendees: Clint Andrews, Michael Arrington, Breanna Bang, Eric Brown, Marcia Bohannon, Eva Carlson, Loni Clark, Rachel Davis, Sherry Foco, Marisol Larez, Amelia Larsen, Curtis Lee, Amanda Neal, Stephanie Pugliese, Lydia Rogers, Rich Schliep, Stephanie Stout Oswald, Jim Wiegand, Michael Vente

Absent with prior notice:Misgana Tesfaye

Agenda Items

Open

Call to Order

Minutes approved, motion by Clint Andrews - DPA, Second by Rich Schliep

Amy Bhikha, Chair

New Business

Data Classifications

We have been working on developing standard data types and classifications. We've been thinking about how to crosswalk those to to security level. These will be included in the data inventory efforts for agencies (Informatica & Google Sheets) efforts. We reviewed existing lists of classifications/types and while there was some overlap, they were completely aligned. SPI- Sensitive PII and COPPA were considered but rejected and are not one of the data types. Once the classifications are approved, we will come back to GDAB and ask for approval on definitions.

Sensitive PII had been raised as a concern at a previous meeting. There is some challenge in classifying that and differentiating from standard PII, so a GDAB member was comfortable with this approach. We might look to explore if there are additional protections that might be placed on a specific field. Cybersecurity is not a separate category, but we aren't sure how that might be labeled. The category of "restricted" may encompass it. But Utility plans might be another category as well. We should revisit the categories with the ISO office, and Security Officers at non-consolidated agencies. We are trying to weigh the options, getting the correct categories, while not having too many categories.

Amanda motioned to approve, Rich has seconded, all in favor. Classifications Approved

AGO has suggested changes to definitions, including to the GDAB approved definition of PII. There is a question of if the data breach legislation is included in PII definition. We will seek clarity from AGO. Should the proposed definition of PII be preferred, we would ask GDAB to update their definition so we had consistency. The suggestion was made to circulate these definitions amongst the HR Community and the Deputy Directors. Agencies have questions about limitations and usage for information identified as PII.

CO-SHIE

Colorado Statewide Social Health Information Exchange is designed to reduce siloes and help individuals get the social healthcare they need. There is a governance structure in place. The system is owned by HCPF but platform is owned by OIT, The Project Level Governance Team is approving all uses cases. Funding comes from Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services. OeHI ensure that the project aligns with the Roadmap and the Governors Priorities. They meet with AGO regularly to ensure compliance with the law. There is also a Health IT Data Governance Work Group that meets with both agency and non-agency representation, includes community members, RAEs, etc.

The legal framework includes consent, with individuals opting in and the option to remove that consent. There is a vast information that could be shared on individuals. CO_SHIE employs a data sharing framework similar to LINC. There is an MOU, Data Sharing Agreement (based off of GDAB template), and a Data Use Agreement. First use case is related to Homelessness. The HMIS, or Colorado Homeless Management Information System, is a data provider that is being integrated into the system which will allow for data sharing with care providers. Regulatory standards include HIPAA, 42CFR PT 2, Colorado Privacy Act, and CJIS. There are many compliance considerations and accountability to various audits. Reach out to Karen Haneke for more information. The project is nearing the end of its first year, but the overall contract is 10 years.

Federal Executive Order on Data Sharing

We are providing high level information on the Executive Order, but this is not legal advice. For specific advice agencies should directly engage with their attorney general. Also, the information presented does not represent the official stance of the Attorney General's office. Executive orders apply to federal government and federal agencies. They are instructions on how to implement laws and should be within the President's purview. Executive Orders dont create, undo, or revise laws. They don't attach conditions on spending, supersede state law or force states to enforce or adopt policies. Executive Order 14243 is Stopping Waste, Fraud, and Abuse by Eliminating Information Silos, issued 03/20/2025. "Agency heads shall take all necessary steps, to the maximum extent consistent with law, to ensure the Federal Government has unfettered access to comprehensive data from all State programs that receive Federal funding, including, as appropriate, data generated by those programs but maintained in the third-party databases." This does not direct states to do anything. Federal agencies in the executive branch are going to need to interpret this. Best practices include working with legal counsel to understand data, understand what is already provided to federal government, complying with retention policy, have process for data requests, educate contractors and vendors on data requests and work with legal on data requests.

Legislative Update

Only 3 weeks are left in session, 693 bills introduced, 96 have been signed into law. Long bill has passed chambers but awaiting reconciliation of amendments. Agency allocations to OIT have been reduced. Next JTC meeting is on 04/23. OIT will provide Broadband Updates. SLDS extension passed the house. Modifications to CORA was sent to the Governor. Purchasing Transparency IT Procurement have been referred to House Appropriations. We are still waiting on the AI Clean up bill.

SLDS Update

We approved the SLDS charter. Extension bill has moved to the floor. RFP committee is reviewing proposals. We are hiring a data architect. At the next Governance Board meeting, we anticipate presenting the MOU and DSA Template. Advisory Committees are actively working on data governance policies.

Data Inventory & Catalog Update

The implementation schedule is available. Implementation consists of connecting to agency data sources and enabling governance. We have received ATO and Gate 3 approval. Agencies include OIT, BHA, CDPHE, DOR & CDOT.

Agency activities include: identifying data sources, roles and responsibilities, policy enforcement, data governance training, metadata standard alignment. We are working on data classifications at the Enterprise Level. We are continuing to define the service engagement process.

AI Dialogues
There will a free training for agency focused on responsible use of AI designed to target Executives, Managers and Users.

GDAB Meeting Closing Remarks

- Open Discussion Upcoming topics
- Recap Action Items
- Future Agenda Items
- Adjourn Public Meeting,

Amy Bhikha, Chair