

Arkansas Data & Transparency Panel

NOVEMBER 21, 2024
10:00AM-12:00PM



Agenda

- Opening (5 minutes)
- Artificial Intelligence (AI) Center of Excellence (30 minutes)
 - AI CoE Progress Update (10 minutes)
 - DTP Input and Discussion for Initial AI CoE Report (20 minutes)
- Arkansas Data Hub Use and Governance (80 minutes)
 - Data Hub Refresher (10 minutes)
 - Introduction to Data Hub Business Case Inventory (10 minutes)
 - Discuss Data Hub Business Cases and Data Governance Considerations (60 minutes)
- Wrap Up (5 minutes)

AI & Analytics Center of Excellence (AI CoE)



AI CoE Progress Update

- Meeting One (October 2024)
 - Aligned on objectives, methods, definitions, and schedule
 - Reviewed and discussed the AI policy landscape
- Meeting Two (November 2024)
 - Discussed and aligned on goals, structure, key content relevant to the initial AI CoE report
 - Reviewed and discussed the key topics areas most urgent to address for AI policy and governance
- Meeting Three (December 2024)
 - Review initial report
 - Planning for pilots and next steps

Immediate Goal – Initial Report



Provide Concise, Actionable Recommendations Up Front

Clear, prioritized actions for immediate consideration by policymakers.



Explain the Approach

Landscape analysis, best practices review, collaborative discussion and recommendations



Establish Clear, Objective Definitions

Foundational definitions of AI and key concepts to guide initial policymaking.



Detail Risks, Benefits, and Topic-Specific Recommendations

Break down potential risks and benefits by focus area, with tailored recommendations.

Four Key Topic Areas for AI Policy and Governance



Public Safety

Safeguards and protocols to protect residents from harmful or criminal uses of AI.



Government Use

Effective, responsible use of AI within state government operations to improve services and resident experience. Special focus on procurement.



Education and Workforce

Developing an AI-ready workforce and integrating AI skills into Arkansas's education systems. Fostering local AI innovation and economic development.



Public Literacy, Trust, and Transparency

Building public understanding of AI, fostering trust, and ensuring transparent AI practices

DTP Input and Discussion

- What AI policy and governance topics do you feel are most urgent and important to consider and address in the December report?
- What AI definitions and concepts do you feel are most important to objectively and consistently define?
- What would be most helpful in supporting you to safely and effectively use AI for improved efficiency and effectiveness?
- What are the key intersections you see between data and AI governance?

Your Input and Expertise Needed

Please send any additional input relevant to the initial AI CoE report to robert.mcgough@arkansas.gov by COB on Wednesday, November 20th.



Arkansas Data Hub Use and Governance



Data Hub Refresher: Goals

- Facilitate deduplication of data and effort (Act 1282 of 2015)
- Develop and improved understanding of individual outcomes (Act 936 of 2019)
- Continuously align programs and resources to the evolving economy of this state (Act 936 of 2019)
- Make government information available subject to applicable security, privacy, compliance, governance, and confidentiality laws and best practices (Act 634 of 2023)



Data Hub Business Case Inventory



Business Case Discussion

- Discuss and inventory business cases aligned with state priorities that could be supported through statewide data sharing, integration, analysis, and use.
- Use real examples to drive discussion of necessary governance considerations, processes, and artifacts.
- Discuss how business cases can be collaboratively and objectively prioritized?

Wrap-Up and Action Items

- Next Meeting Thursday, January 30th, 10:00AM-12:00PM
- Adjournment

