

Equity in Practice Learning Community

Actionable Intelligence for Social Policy (AISP)

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Agenda

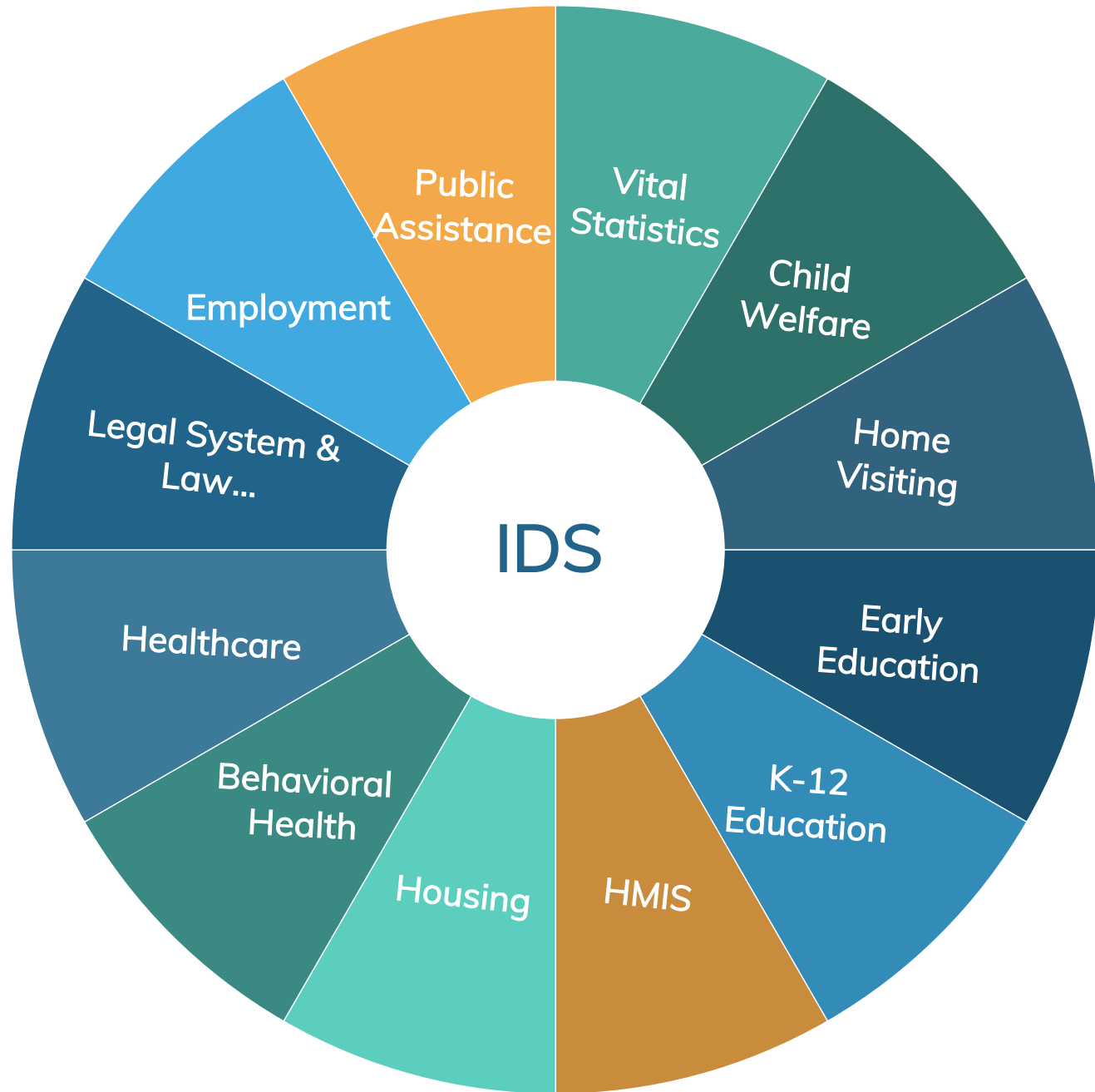
- **Introduction to AISP**
- **AISP Equity in Practice Learning Community**
 - Who we are and how we got here
 - About the Learning Community
 - Criteria for eligibility
 - Timeline
- **Q&A with AISP**

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Helping state and local governments collaborate and responsibly use data to improve lives.

LEARN MORE →

**Bringing
data
together
across:**



What we do

Peer Network

Guidance & Standards

Training & Consulting

Advocacy & Communications

Actionable Research

Our approach

Data sharing is as relational
as it is technical.



We don't just need to integrate data;
we need to integrate people.

Quality Framework for IDS

Quality Framework for Integrated Data Systems

Governance

Legal

Technical

Capacity

Impact



Governance: Overview

Data governance is the people, policies, and procedures that support how data are used and protected. Data governance for a cross-sector data sharing effort can draw upon one agency's existing data governance practices, involve a separate set of policies and procedures, or be a hybrid of the two. Regardless of the approach taken, cross-sector governance policies and practices should be explicit and collaboratively agreed upon, rather than implicit and driven by any one partner.

Remember – data flow at the speed of trust. Cross-agency data governance is a way of institutionalizing trust to ensure that data use is legal, ethical, and a good idea.

Purpose, Mission, and Vision Driven

The mission and vision of a

Practical and Strategic

In order to determine the

Collaborative

Governance policies and procedures should be

INTRODUCTION TO

Data Sharing & Integration

CASE STUDY

How the Indiana Management
Performance Hub's Data
Capacity Helped Fuel COVID-19
Research and Response



A TOOLKIT FOR

Centering Racial Equity Throughout Data Integration

**Building + Sustaining State
Data Integration Efforts:**
Legislation, Funding,
and Strategies





Is it legal?



Is it ethical?



**Is it a good
idea?**

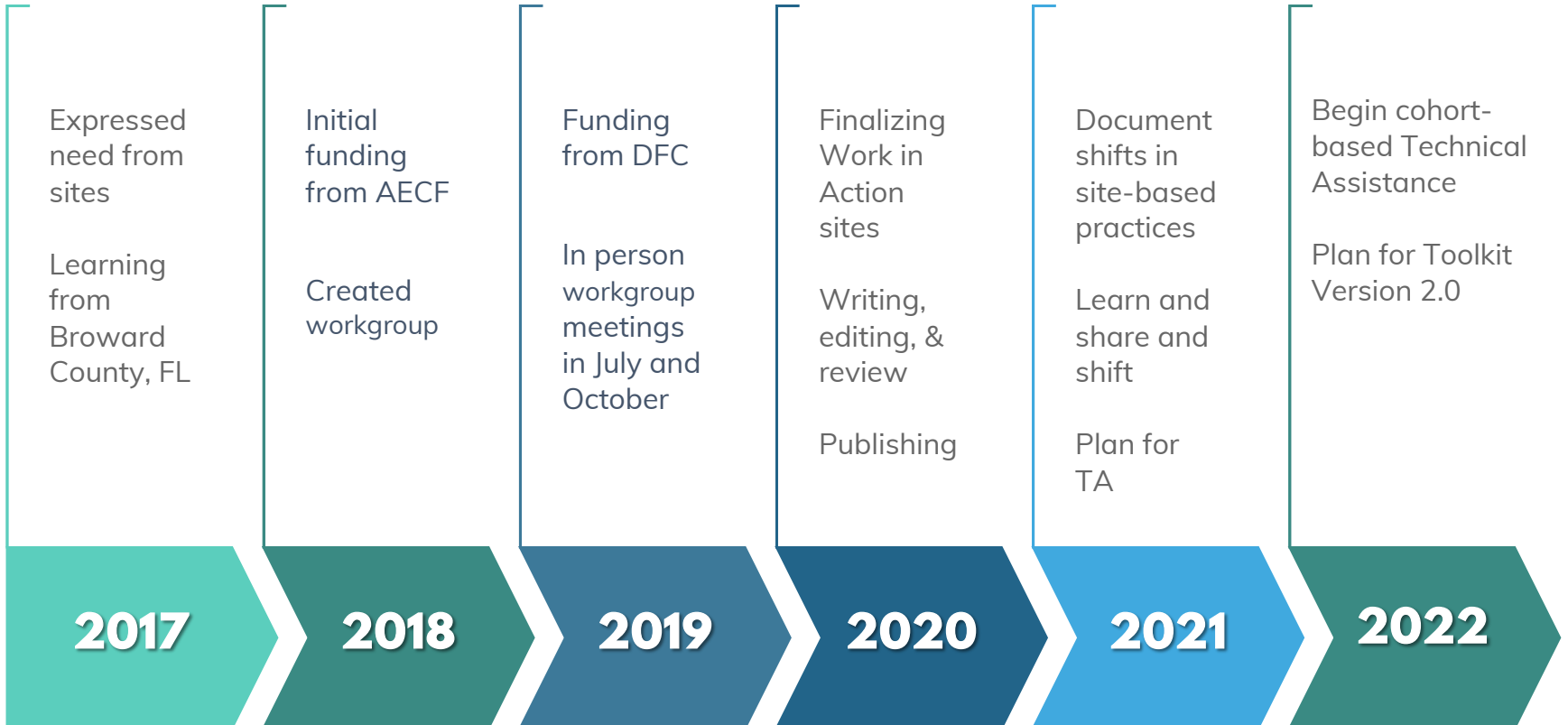
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Process



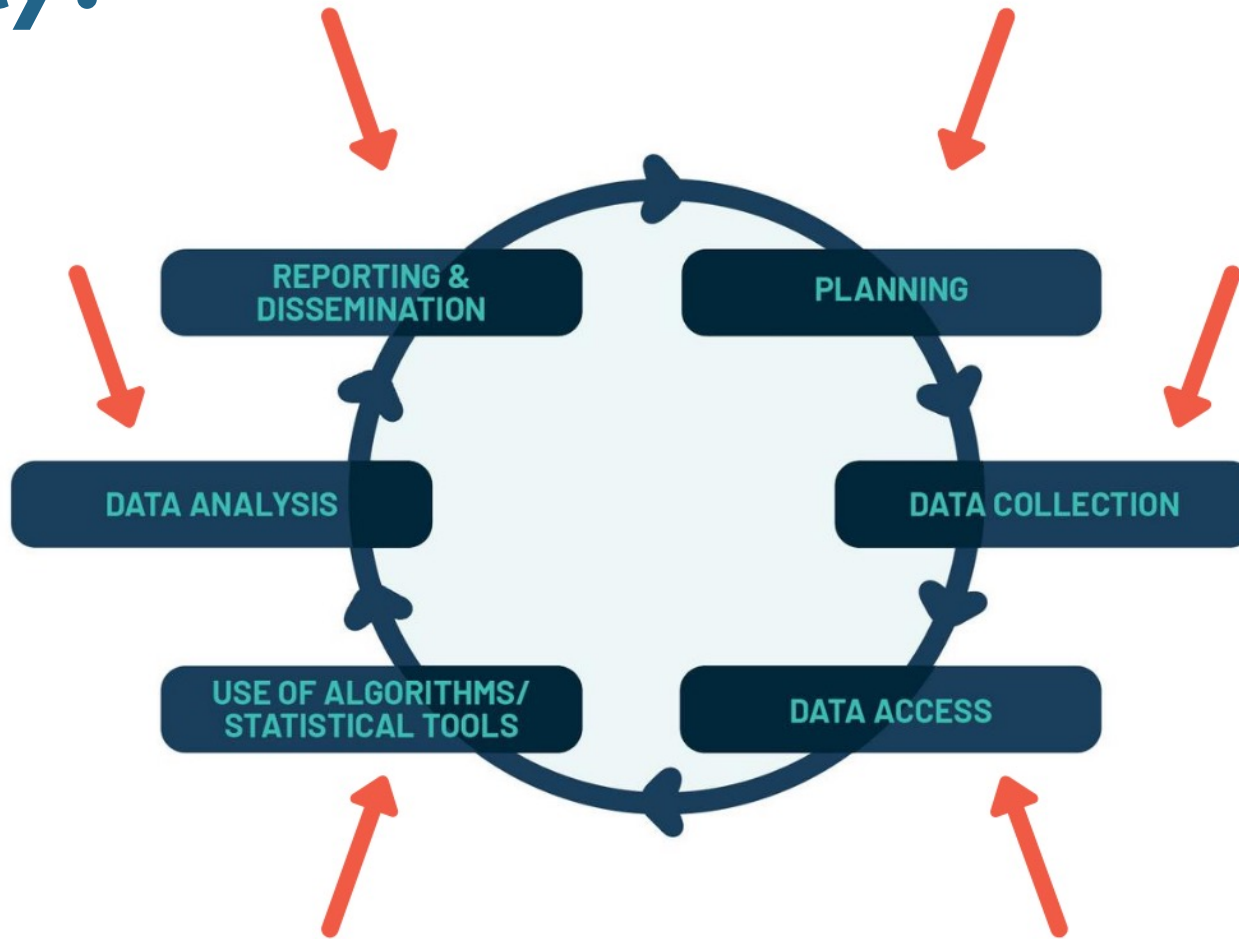
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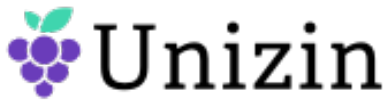
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**As railroads and highways
both developed and
decimated communities, so
too can data infrastructure.**

**We can co-create data infrastructure to
promote racial equity and the public
good, or we can invest in data
infrastructure that disregards the
historical, social, and political context.**

Where do we need to center racial equity?





Data Across Sectors for Health



Government of Canada



ASSOCIATION FOR PUBLIC POLICY ANALYSIS & MANAGEMENT



NATIONAL NEIGHBORHOOD INDICATORS PARTNERSHIP



ALL IN



DATA FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH



LOCAL AND REGIONAL GOVERNMENT ALLIANCE ON RACE & EQUITY



CHAPIN HALL AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

beeckcenter social impact + innovation

CHILDREN'S FUNDING PROJECT

TEACHFOR AMERICA

SAMHSA Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

APHSA American Public Human Services Association

CT data collaborative

Portland Community College

City of Philadelphia

THE DATA UNION @TheDataUnion

INTERNATIONAL Population Data Linkage NETWORK

MY BROTHER'S KEEPER MBK

SSWR Society for Social Work and Research



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Biggest Takeaway?

Whether you're a data owner, a data steward, a data custodian, or a caseworker — no matter where you are, there is something you can do, today, to center racial equity.

What's next: Equity in Practice Learning Community

Cohort-based Training and Technical Assistance for sites with a commitment to centering racial equity throughout data integration

Funding for community-engaged research that uses cross-sector, shared data infrastructure to support equity-oriented reforms in policy and practice

Communications to share experiences, inspire others and shift the field

Health Equity

“Health equity means that everyone has a fair and just opportunity to be as healthy as possible. This requires removing obstacles to health such as poverty, discrimination, and their consequences, including powerlessness and lack of access to good jobs with fair pay, quality education and housing, safe environments, and health care.”

Braveman et. al., 2017, What is Health Equity?, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

Theory of change

The field needs guidance, more examples & models.

Sites need resources & support to do this well.

Every community is different... but we learn best from peers.

Core activities & deliverables:

Customized training and coaching from experienced practitioners

Access to a rich community of peers and mentors working at the intersection of data + racial equity

Guidance to help agencies engage community and bring community members into decision-making roles

Tuition, travel, lodging, and meals for two 2.5 day, in-person convenings for site teams of up to four people

Direct grants of \$50K to support community engagement

Communications to maximize impact- blogs, case studies, & V2.0 of Toolkit

Criteria for Eligibility

Government
agency (local,
state, tribal)
as lead or co-
lead

Commitment
to center
racial equity

Ability to
integrate and
use cross-
sector data

Current data
holdings &
relationships

Cohort 1 Timeline, ~30 months



Application materials

- APPLICATION
 - Part A: Contact Information
 - Part B: Project Narrative
- Letter(s) of Support
- Self Assessment: <https://aisp.upenn.edu/aisp-site-self-assessment/>

RFA Timeline

Important Dates

March 18th: Last day to submit questions to AISP (Kristen Smith, krs@upenn.edu).

March 25th: Applications are due to AISP by 5pm Eastern.

March to April: AISP reviews RFA applications

April 7th-April 9th: Finalists notified

April 11th-April 15th: Virtual interviews

April 25th: Selected sites notified

May: MOU between AISP and each selected site is developed and finalized

June: Learning Community activities begin

October: First cohort convening anticipated

Q&A

Questions?

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Key Links & Resources:

<https://bit.ly/CenterRacialEquity>

<https://bit.ly/DataIntegrationIntro>

<https://aisp.upenn.edu/equity-in-practice-learning-community/>

https://aisp.upenn.edu/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/AISP_RFA_EiPLC_2.2.22.pdf

<https://aisp.upenn.edu/aisp-site-self-assessment/>

