



Data Governance Task Force Update

The Data Governance Task Force has met four times and continues to make steady progress toward developing recommendations for a comprehensive NAACLS data governance framework.

NAACLS regularly receives requests for data collected through the Annual Survey of Programs. As data becomes increasingly important for workforce planning, research, advocacy, and strategic decision-making, it is essential that NAACLS establish a thoughtful, sustainable approach to collecting, managing, and sharing organizational data.

The Task Force has been charged with developing recommendations for a data access and use policy that balances transparency and stakeholder needs with appropriate data privacy protections, data stewardship, and organizational capacity.

As an initial step, the Task Force developed a Data Needs Assessment Survey to better understand whether the data currently provided by NAACLS meets community needs and, if not, what additional data or reporting would be most valuable.

The survey is now live and has been distributed to nearly 600 individuals, including representatives from NAACLS sponsoring and participating organizations, Review Committee members, Board members, and workforce coalition partners. Recipients are also encouraged to share the survey with other interested stakeholders. The survey takes fewer than 10 minutes to complete.

To avoid overlap with the NAACLS Annual Survey of Programs, responses will be accepted through early September. The Task Force will then review the results and use the findings to develop recommendations for the Board of Directors regarding future data governance policies and priorities.

Data Needs Assessment Survey: <https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/8774608/Assessing-needs-of-Data-Disbursement>

We invite Review Committee members to share their perspectives on the data they would find most valuable. We also encourage you to share the survey with appropriate colleagues to help ensure the Task Force receives broad and representative stakeholder input.

Respectfully,

NAACLS Data Governance Task Force