

OMB Grants Policy - Performance Reporting Requirements

31 USC 6101 Federal Financial Assistance Management Improvement Act of 1999

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Sec. 5. DUTIES OF FEDERAL AGENCIES

(a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided under subsection (b), not later than 18 months after the date of the enactment of this Act, each Federal agency shall develop and implement a plan that—

- (1) streamlines and simplifies the application, administrative, and reporting procedures for Federal financial assistance programs administered by the agency;
- (2) demonstrates active participation in the interagency process under section 6(a)(2);
- (3) demonstrates appropriate agency use, or plans for use, of the common application and reporting system developed under section 6(a)(1);
- (4) designates a lead agency official for carrying out the responsibilities of the agency under this Act;
- (5) allows applicants to electronically apply for, and report on the use of, funds from the Federal financial assistance program administered by the agency;
- (6) ensures recipients of Federal financial assistance provide timely, complete, and high quality information in response to Federal reporting requirements; and
- (7) in cooperation with recipients of Federal financial assistance, establishes specific annual goals and objectives to further the purposes of this Act and measure annual performance in achieving those goals and objectives, which may be done as part of the agency's annual planning responsibilities under the Government Performance and Results Act of 1993 (Public Law 103 - 62; 107 Stat.285).

Sec. 6. DUTIES OF THE DIRECTOR.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Director, in consultation with agency heads and representatives of non-Federal entities, shall direct, coordinate, and assist Federal agencies in establishing—

- (1) a common application and reporting system, including—
 - (A) a common application or set of common applications, wherein a non-Federal entity can apply for Federal financial assistance from multiple Federal financial assistance programs that serve similar

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purposes and are administered by different Federal agencies;

(B) a common system, including electronic processes, wherein a non-Federal entity can apply for, manage, and report on the use of funding from multiple Federal Financial assistance programs that serve similar purposes and are administered by different Federal agencies; and

(C) uniform administrative rules for Federal financial assistance programs across different Federal agencies; and

(2) an interagency process for addressing—

(A) ways to streamline and simplify Federal financial assistance administrative procedures and reporting requirements for non-Federal entities;

(B) improved interagency and intergovernmental coordination of information collection and sharing of data pertaining to Federal financial assistance programs, including appropriate information sharing consistent with section 552a of title 5, United States Code; and

(C) improvements in the timeliness, completeness, and quality of information received by Federal agencies from recipients of Federal financial assistance.