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# FDP LEADERSHIP TEAM



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## ABOUT THE FDP | / *Researchers doing Research*

- The Federal Demonstration Partnership's (FDP) mission is to streamline the administration of federally sponsored research and foster collaboration to enhance the national research enterprise while maintaining high standards of stewardship and accountability.
- FDP provides a unique forum for individuals from Universities and research institutes to work collaboratively with federal agents to improve the research enterprise.
- FDP is a cooperative initiative of the National Academies of Science, Engineering, and Medicine.

# FDP MEMBERSHIP

217

## Institutional Members

- 22% are Emerging Institutions
- 15% are Minority Serving Institutions

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## Federal Members

- NSF, NIH, ONR, USDA, AFOSR, ARO, AMRMC, NASA, EPA, DHS

- FDP Participants include federal officials, research administrators, faculty members, and electronic research administration managers.
- The FDP format for finding solutions to research burden is through demonstrations.
- FDP Participants **identify, test and advance** new directions in research administration, practice, compliance, and strategies.



# FDP Committees



# FDP HISTORY

1986

**Phase I:** The Florida Demonstration Project began as an experiment with five federal agencies, the Florida State University System, and the University of Miami, **to test and evaluate a grant mechanism** utilizing a **standardized** and **simplified** set of **terms and conditions**.

1988

**Phase II:** The agencies decided to **expand the project to a group of universities** around the country. The name then changed to Federal Demonstration Project.

1996

**Phase III:** Added **faculty members** to membership | Added **electronic research administration** demonstrations | Launched our **subaward templates**

2002

**Phase IV:** Added **ERI Institutions** to our membership. | Launched the first **Faculty Workload Survey**

2008

**Phase V:** The **FDP Financial Conflict of Interest (FCOI) Clearinghouse** was launched | FDP partnered with NIH to develop **SciENCv** | The second **Faculty Workload Survey** was launched.

2014

**Phase VI:** The **FDP Expanded Clearinghouse** was developed | A third **Faculty Workload Survey** was launched.

2020

**Phase VII (Current Phase):** The **Compliance Unit Standard Procedure** and **NIH Data Management & Sharing pilot** demonstrations were launched | Increased membership to 217 institutions

# HIGHLIGHTED ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE FDP TO REDUCE BURDEN



## NIH Data Management & Sharing Pilot

Starting in 2023, NIH requires a DMS plan for all NIH-funded projects (previously required for projects with \$500K or more in annual costs)

**In collaboration with NIH, FDP created and tested potential DMS Plan templates which will help institutions reduce time spent on this plans.**



## Subaward Templates and Tools

Administrators reported spending large amounts of time negotiating federal subaward and subrecipient monitoring.

**FDP created subaward templates, samples, FAQs, guidance documents and other tools designed to expedite and streamline this workload area.**



## Compliance Unit Standard Protocol

IACUC/Animal Subjects was identified as the workload area with the highest priority for change in compliance requirements in the 2018 Faculty Workload Survey.

**In collaboration with NIH, FDP is developing an online resource where participating institutions can share standard procedures used in animal care protocols.**



## Expanded

## Clearinghouse

Administrators reported spending large amounts of time sending and reviewing important documents to subrecipients

**FDP provides a centralized online repository of entity information to enable pass-through**

**entities to perform essential subrecipient monitoring functions**



## Data Transfer and Use Agreements

Data transfer and use agreements were a high priority for change for faculty in the 2018 Faculty Workload Survey

**DTUA templates, samples, FAQs, guidance documents and other tools designed to expedite and streamline negotiations between institutions.**



## SciENcv

Faculty reported a high workload burden associated with creating biosketches and Current & Pending Support forms.

**In collaboration with NSF, FDP created a curriculum vitae network to address this issue.**

# How to get Involved

## Join our Listservs

- Non-FDP member institutions can subscribe to our FDP-Friends Listserv

## Join a Committee

- For those at member institutions who are interested in joining one of our Committees, Subcommittees, and/or Working Groups can email Sara at [spietrzak@nas.edu](mailto:spietrzak@nas.edu)

## Request a Listening Session

- If you have a topic that you would like to discuss with FDP membership, please contact Maria at [mkoszalka@nas.edu](mailto:mkoszalka@nas.edu)

## FDP Demonstrations/Pilots

- Several of FDP's demonstrations/products are available to the public.

Subaward Templates

FCOI Clearinghouse

DTUA Templates

Faculty Workload Survey Reports

Recordings, slides, and session summaries from our triannual meetings

