

# 21<sup>st</sup> CENTURY DATA GOVERNANCE TASK FORCE

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## December 18, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Hawai'i Dept of Health | 1250 Punchbowl Street. Rm 250 | Honolulu, HI 96813

### **Members Present:**

Derek Vale (DOH), Lisa Watkins-Victorino (EDU), Malia Taum-Deenik (DHS), Rebecca Cai (ETS), Kara Plamann Wagoner

### **Other State Agency/Organization Staff and the Public:**

Josh Quint (NHPI-3R), Dulce Belen (DOH), Arthur Buto (HSGP), Kimberly Williams (DOH), Claire Prieto (DOH), Rayar's AI Notetaker

#### **I. Call to Order/Roll Call/Public Notice Quorum**

- The meeting was called to order at 10:03 AM by Derek Vale, Chair.
- Chair welcomed the taskforce members and guests.
- To ensure accurate roll call and recording, attendees were asked to enter their names and organization in the chat.

#### **II. Approval of Meeting Minutes of November 20, 2024**

- Meeting minutes were shared in the chat for review and approval. Minutes were approved.

#### **III. Current Status on Project Timeline**

- Report to Legislature was submitted to Lorrin Kim on December 6, 2024. No follow-up or additional inquiry was received since submission.

#### **IV. Review of Requests for Legislative Support**

1. **Task Force Continuation:** Maintain the Task Force's monthly meetings to develop a comprehensive action plan.
2. **Funding Allocation:** Allocate funds specifically for workforce development, operational enhancements, and modernizing IT infrastructure.

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3. **New Legislation Consideration:** Evaluate the need for new legislation to enforce and mandate regulations related to ETS tech approvals.

## V. Overview of RoadMap

The discussion focused on the roadmap for implementing SPD15 over the next four years, aiming to meet the March 2029 deadline. While complying with the deadline is considered aspirational, it does not directly apply to the Task Force. There is no statutory requirement, but state agencies are being motivated to comply.

A link to an SPD15 reference on PubMed Central was provided in the chat: [PubMed Central Link](#).

If the initiative is not federally funded, it will be general-funded. There was a discussion about whether there is an add-on or template that everyone can use to align with the directive.

Cost concerns were raised, particularly with the uncertainty of the priorities of the incoming administration. The availability of resources to make the necessary changes to align with SPD15 was questioned.

There is a broader imperative to improve data across the state. Concrete examples, such as Social Determinants of Health (SDOH) and race/ethnicity, were highlighted. More information can be found in the Public Health Data Improvement | [The Pew Charitable Trusts](#).

It was noted for SPD15 that noncompliance could result in punishments, such as withheld funding. If the Task Force could produce a draft standard, it could then be written into a bill.

## VI. Announcements

- Next Meeting is January 15, 2025
- Next meeting agenda will talk about task force meeting format, membership, prospective dates.

## VII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:54 am