

DATA Board

2025 – 2026 State Data Plan

December 16, 2024



Agenda

- Welcome and introductions
- State Data Plan 2025 – 2026
 - Review of stakeholder feedback
 - Final plan presentation
- Meeting Calendar for 2025



State Data Plan 2025 – 2026

What is the State Data Plan?

Per [Section 4-67p](#) of the Connecticut General Statutes:

“[Every two years] the Chief Data Officer, **in consultation with the agency data officers and executive branch agency heads**, shall create a state data plan. The state data plan shall

- (1) **establish management and data analysis standards** across all executive branch agencies,
- (2) include specific, achievable goals within the two years following adoption of such plan, as well as longer term goals,
- (3) **make recommendations to enhance standardization and integration of data systems and data management practices** across all executive branch agencies,
- (4) provide a timeline for a **review of** any state or federal legal concerns or other obstacles to the **internal sharing of data among agencies**, including security and privacy concerns, and
- (5) **set goals for improving the online repository [open data portal]** established pursuant to subsection (i) of this section.

Each state data plan shall provide for a procedure for each agency head to report to the Chief Data Officer regarding the agency's progress toward achieving the plan's goals. Such plan may make recommendations concerning data management for the legislative or judicial branch agencies, but such recommendations shall not be binding on such agencies.”

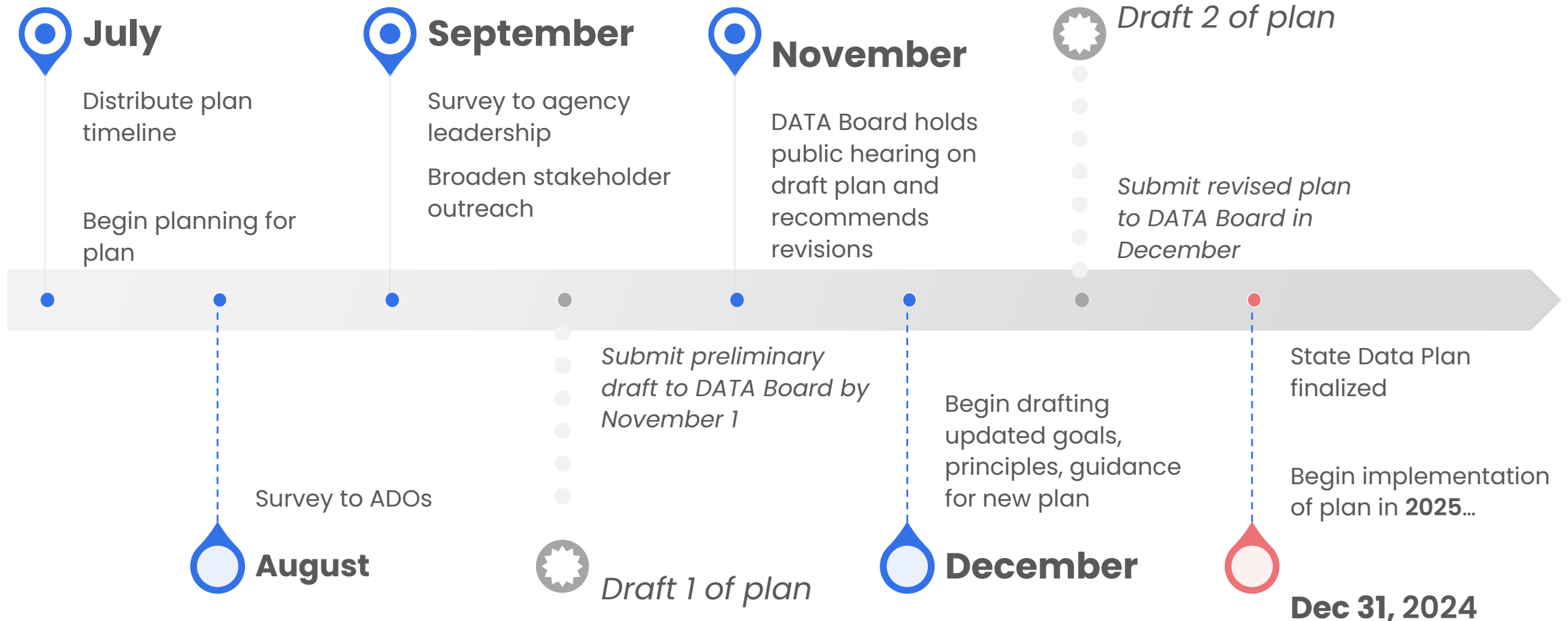
Information technology-related actions and initiatives of all executive branch agencies, including, but not limited to, the acquisition of hardware and software and the development of software, shall be consistent with the final state data plan.

DATA Board powers and duties

CGS Sec. 2-79e: The board shall have the following powers and duties:

- (1) To **advise the executive, legislative and judicial branches** of government and municipalities **concerning data policy**, including, but not limited to, best practices in the public, private and academic sectors for data analysis, management, storage, security, privacy and visualization and the use of data to grow the economy;
- (2) to **advise the Office of Policy and Management regarding the online repository** established under section 4-67p;
- (3) to issue reports and recommendations in accordance with section 11-4a;
- (4) upon the request of at least two members of the board, to **request any agency data officer or agency head to appear before the board** to answer questions;
- (5) to request from any executive department, board, commission or other agency of the state such assistance and data as necessary and available to carry out the purposes of this section;
- (6) to make recommendations to the legislative leaders and the directors of the Offices of Fiscal Analysis and Legislative Research regarding data analysis skills and related expertise that the leaders and said offices may seek to cultivate among their staff through training or as a consideration when hiring staff; and
- (7) to establish bylaws to govern its procedures.

State Data Plan Milestones



Stakeholder outreach

Agency outreach:

- Convenings with agency leadership and agency data officers to review plan
- Survey to agency data users – 50+ responses
- Specific agency deep dive / outreach

Data user outreach:

- Survey to external data users – 100+ responses
- Conference presentations (CT Data, GIS Network); Board and Councils (GIS Council, DATA Board)
- Public posting / media outreach

2025 – 2026 Goals

Goal 1. Increase accessibility and visibility of existing data resources, including tools, software, and training materials.

- Focus on increasing access to existing resources, build out open data access plans

Goal 2. Make data easier to find and link by improving metadata and documentation.

- Continue improvements to data inventory, build out documentation

Goal 3. Identify additional data-related training and resource requirements for agency staff.

- Conduct needs assessment and develop training calendar.

2025 – 2026 Goals

Goal 4. Review job specifications for data and analytics roles for potential updates.

- Document challenges to attracting and retaining qualified staff.

Goal 5. Develop new opportunities for an enterprise data sharing approach.

- Develop secure data enclave, explore enablement service and expanded P20 WIN capacity.

Goal 6. Develop data governance and data quality policies to support responsible use of AI.

- Work with agencies to develop governance and quality policies, leveraging advisory group and existing resources.

Meeting Calendar

- Proposed dates:
- Thursday, March 20
 - Open Data Week – Week of March 3
- Thursday, June 19
- Thursday, September 25
- Thursday, December 18