Best Practices in the Use of State Databases for Planning, Analysis, and Research

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Why Data are Important

- Inform cost-effective solutions.
- Inform short term and continuous improvement in programs.
- Instill a sense of ownership in the decision-making process in state government.
- Define yourself rather than be defined by outsiders.
- Engage in performance-based budgeting





University-Government Partnerships

- Innovation and agility
- Flexibility in contracting and procurement
- Cost savings and cost avoidance





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