

October 2024 Data Audit Workstream Report

1. Overview

- This month's Data Audit Workstream focused on several key initiatives, including progress on application documentation, updates to the Data Governance Policy, and the development of a Data Retention Schedule. Additional discussions were held regarding analytics platforms and upcoming product demos.

2. Application Documentation Progress

- Continued efforts to document College data applications.
- Newly identified applications include CourseDog, Cardinal Tracking, and GotoCollegeFairs.
- The team is now focusing on capturing smaller, under-reported applications tied to individual staff members.
- A review of the documented applications was requested to ensure accuracy before finalizing the data audit.

3. Data Governance Policy Review

- Updates were made to the existing Data Governance Policy to align with current practices.
- There is a proposal to form a Data Governance Advisory Group composed of workstream members.
- The policy will be reviewed further by team members and submitted to LITS and senior leadership for approval.

4. Data Retention Schedule Development

- An initial draft of the Data Retention Policy was presented, and feedback was solicited on retention periods and disposal methods.
- The initial retention schedule has been uploaded and is now available for workstream members to review.
- Discussions focused on secure (e.g., shredding) and common (e.g., regular trash) disposal methods for records, with an emphasis on developing a better management solution for permanent records such as pre-1996 transcripts.

5. Analytics Platform Exploration

- Two analytics platforms, Jenzabar Analytics and Data ScaffoldX, were discussed, with upcoming product demos being planned.

6. Next Steps and Action Items

- **All members:** Review the documented applications and provide feedback to ensure accuracy, completing the data audit process.
- **All members:** Finalize comments on the Data Governance Policy and submit it for review.
- **All members:** Reach out to colleagues at other institutions to gather insights on analytics platforms.
- **Matt:** Schedule demos for Jenzabar Analytics and Data ScaffoldX.
- **All members:** Review the drafted Data Retention Policy, focusing on retention periods and disposal methods, and provide feedback.
- **All members:** Review and revise the Retention Schedule as necessary.