Enable Federal Employees to Seamlessly Transfer From One Agency to Another, With Paperless Processing

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Overview

Goal Statement
  o By September 30, 2019, OPM will ensure implementation of Employee Digital Record data standards and associated application program interfaces (APIs) that demonstrate an initial capability toward Federal employees being able to transfer between agencies using paperless processing.

Background
  o The Employee Digital Record (EDR) is a single, comprehensive view of the data of an employee's Federal Government career. The EDR is being developed with Government-wide human resource experts and industry experts to ensure information is secured, standardized, and accessible. Once implemented, the EDR will provide employees, HR experts, and other authorized users a common language (data standard) so that human capital activity is exchanged seamlessly with the right context. The EDR will increase the efficiency of human capital activities including: onboarding a new employee, transferring employment between agencies, and processing an employee's retirement. In summary, the EDR will transform human capital data management and create a better user experience for employees, for agencies, and for the ecosystem of data providers that allows decision-makers the ability to leverage human capital data as an enterprise resource.
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Challenge

- OPM and other Federal agencies find it difficult to manage the end-to-end human capital data lifecycle due to duplicative, siloed Human Resources Information Technology (HRIT) systems that are unable to interface and exchange data. This is primarily due to inconsistencies and incompatibility of cross-government legacy HRIT data exchange capabilities, lack of data standards or inconsistent application of existing standards, unstructured data transformation, and data security and privacy concerns.
- The fiscal burden of modernizing legacy Government-wide HRIT to eliminate these data barriers is difficult to quantify and is operationally unfeasible due to funding constraints.

Opportunity

- Collaboration with Unified Shared Services Management (USSM), Government shared service providers, and agencies to establish the EDR data standard.
Goal Structure & Strategies

Speed of Delivery
  o Rethink data architecture and data exchange capabilities.

Digital Transformation
  o Redesign value chain to accelerate time to value.

Becoming more Data Centric
  o Redefine integrated value away from systems-centric focus to data-centric focus.

Building Public Trust
  o Reinvigorate employees and rewrite processes with new thinking.

Implementing Innovative Technology
  o Reimagine solutions for the 21st century.
○ Speed of Delivery

The HRLOB released version 1.2 of the Federal Human Capital Data Standard, as well as related schemas and domain values, on April 30, 2019. Through Q3 FY 19, the HRLOB OPM released approximately 1,300 data elements (and associated metadata) approved by the Data Review Board related to Payroll, Time & Attendance, Transfer, Separations, and Retirement.

The HRLOB undertook the effort to create the Federal HC Data Standard to automate and streamline human capital management services, support self-service, support retirement processing and health benefits, and advance data analytics. The first example of implementation of the standard is Government-wide NewPay initiative to outsource the payroll calculation to private vendor(s).

The HRLOB developed these standards in regular collaboration sessions with agencies, shared service providers, OPM policy offices and other data stakeholders prior to submission to the Board for approval.

○ Becoming More Data Centric

The Data Review Board continued the discussion of a cross-Governmental Alternate Employee ID. While it is not currently prioritized, OPM will continue to formulate the business case for the request. This would be used in lieu of an employee’s social security number and would be part of the Federal Human Capital Data Standard.

The Federal Human Capital Data Standard team continued its collaboration with GSA’s Business Standards Council, comparing data standards across different Lines of Business, for example, Travel and Financial Management, to determine ownership and promote consistency.
## Key Milestones

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<td>Release first version of EDR data standard so that the HR community can speak a common language</td>
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<td>Digital Transformation</td>
<td>Analyze privacy metadata and prioritize privacy integration</td>
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<td>Digital Transformation</td>
<td>Integrate initial privacy content into HCIM so that data can be smartly designed and securely shared</td>
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<td>Becoming More Data Centric</td>
<td>Establish Data Review Board so that OPM leadership demonstrates and executes on the importance of data</td>
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<td>Establish Executive Steering Committee so that executive leadership are aware, informed, and in-sync with the future strategic and tactical vision of EDR</td>
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<td>Establish data feeds based on EDR data standards</td>
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<td>Stand up initial data repository so that other agencies and industry can interoperate and use the data standard*</td>
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*OPM priorities have shifted from development of the EDR. OPM will work with agencies to implement the data standards developed to date.*
Contributing Programs

OPM Organizations:
- OPM Employee Services – Data Review Board member and subject matter expert for data area
- OPM National Background Investigations Bureau – Data Review Board member and subject matter expert for data area
- OPM Healthcare & Insurance – Data Review Board member and subject matter expert for data area
- OPM Retirement Services – Data Review Board member and subject matter expert for data area
- OPM Office of the Chief Information Officer – Data Review Board member and subject matter expert for data area
- OPM Human Resources Solutions – Data Review Board member and subject matter expert for data area
- OPM Suitability Executive Agent – Data Review Board member and subject matter expert for data area
- OPM Human Resources Line of Business – Data Review Board member and subject matter expert for data area
- Other Federal Organizations:
  - GSA Unified Shared Services Management (USSM)
Stakeholder / Congressional Consultations

OPM engaged its internal and external stakeholders in the development of its 2018-2022 Strategic Plan, to which this APG is aligned. The agency interviewed more than 50 external stakeholders, which included customers of OPM, Federal agencies, executive councils, advisory groups, affinity groups, and consultants, and solicited their feedback on the prior strategic plan as well as OPM’s strengths and challenges. The agency also conducted 16 interviews with executives within OPM.