



How to become a data-driven public sector organization

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Data driven public sector organization

A QUICK CHAT



The Basics

What do I need to know?



Visibility

Who is using what data and how?



Accountability

How do you ensure responsibility?



Use Cases

Real world implementations support the public sector mission



Transparency

How do the operating and governance models support data sharing?



AWS Public Sector Enablement

How are you thinking of leveraging your data assets and how can AWS help?

A data-driven organization is imperative for the future

68%

unable to realize
value from data

Accenture, "Closing the
Data-value Gap," <https://accntu.re/33V6sU3>

28%

have a data strategy
in place

Accenture, "Closing the
Data-value Gap," <https://accntu.re/33V6sU3>

24%

a data driven
organization

New Vantage Partners LLC (2021). Big Data
and AI Executive Survey 2021

// *The public sector is flush with opportunities for leveraging AI and data because our purpose is to provide services to the citizens of our state. We have a lot of data and many problems to help solve. Staff resources can be a challenge, so leveraging machine learning, AI, and Natural Language Processing can help us meet many of these challenges, but at a scale that we otherwise would not be able to address. //*

Patrick McLouglin, Executive Director – MD Think

Why are public sector organizations becoming data-driven?

- Improve **Operational Efficiency**
- More Customer-centered **Services**
- Right Data, Right Time, **Right People**
- Better **Outcomes** for Constituents
- **Visibility** of Outcomes for Decisions

What is a data-driven public sector organization?

- Data is valued as a **strategic asset** not a by-product of business processes
- Data is **FAIR** (Findable, Accessible, Interoperable, and Reusable)
- Stakeholders throughout the organization are **empowered** to make actionable decisions

The **data-driven** government

Culture

Align business and technology leaders

People and process

Build the right organization and process model

Technology

Empower leaders with an end-to-end data strategy

Using a modern data strategy to become data-driven



Mindset

Beliefs, values, and behaviors that create a data-driven culture with use-cases aligned to strategic objectives



People / Process

Structure and roles that accelerate data-driven outcomes and processes that enable and scale effective use of data



Technology

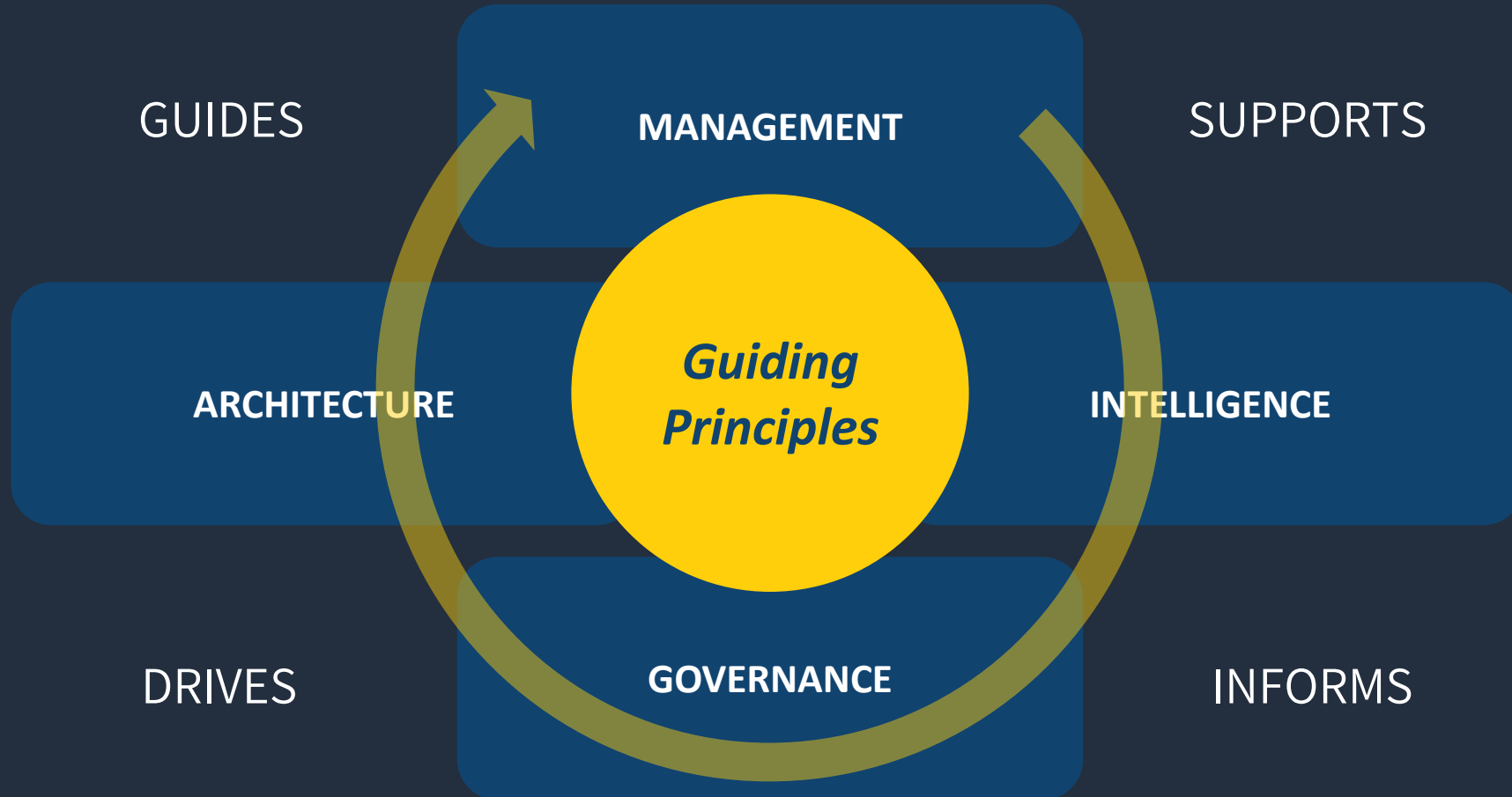
A “North Star” vision for a future data architecture to support priority use-cases



Mobilize

Execution approach and tools to rapidly unleash the value of data by deploying innovations

Components of a modern data strategy



Establish guiding principles to communicate from the top

These represent the key tenets for your data strategy

Examples:



Empower the service agencies and divisions to solve their specific problems



Only move data when it is absolutely essential for supporting a specific use case.



Abstract technical complexities so teams can move fast.



Decentralized governance to improve agility while still protecting the data.

Data sharing and integration produces results

65%

reduced risk of lawsuits, data breaches, and data errors

30%

reduced effort to launch new services/adhere to new requirements

85%

were able to decommission legacy technologies



Forrester Research, Inc., "The Total Economic Impact of Data Integration for the Public Sector: Cost Savings and Socioeconomic Benefits Enabled by Data Integration."



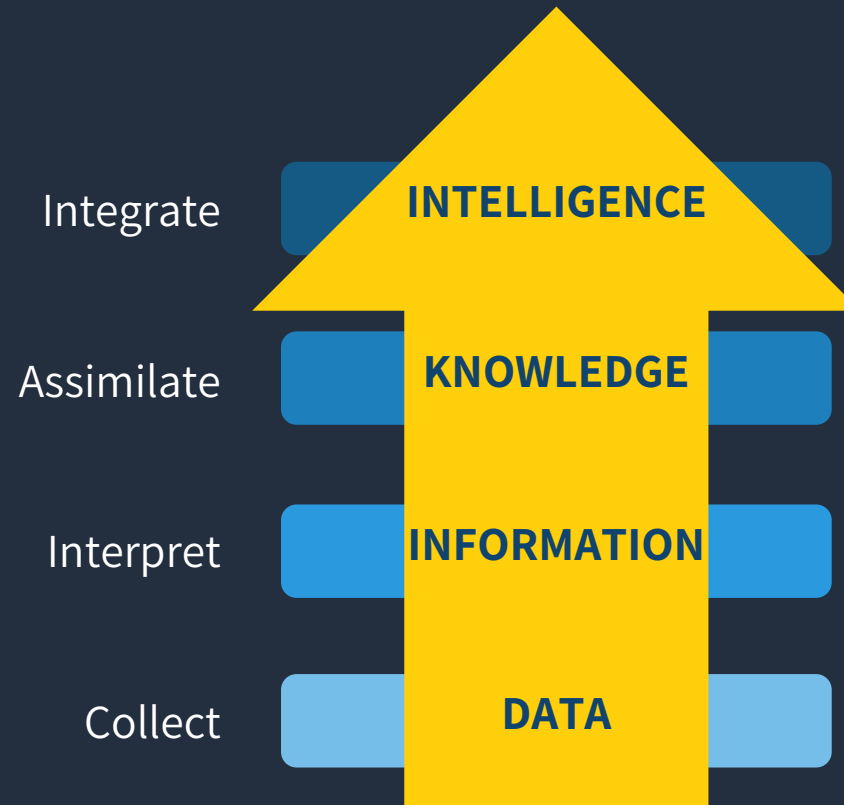
AWS Public Sector Blog, "Forrester study commissioned by AWS estimates an ROI of 33% from data integration"

// *Public sector organizations realize exponential benefits from incremental investments when they leverage mission-critical use cases to iteratively build foundational capabilities that facilitate data sharing, integration, analytics, and intelligence throughout the enterprise. //*

Carlos Rivero, former Chief Data Officer for the US Commonwealth of Virginia

Transforming data to intelligence increases its value

ACTIONABLE DECISIONS



Supporting
multiple **use cases**
exponentially
increases the **value**
of your data



Public sector organizations see the value in sharing data with a trusted community of organizations, but face challenges



Data siloes



Lack of standards



Lack of trust

How can a public sector organization build trust?

- Establish **accountability**
- Operate **transparently**
- Promote **visibility**

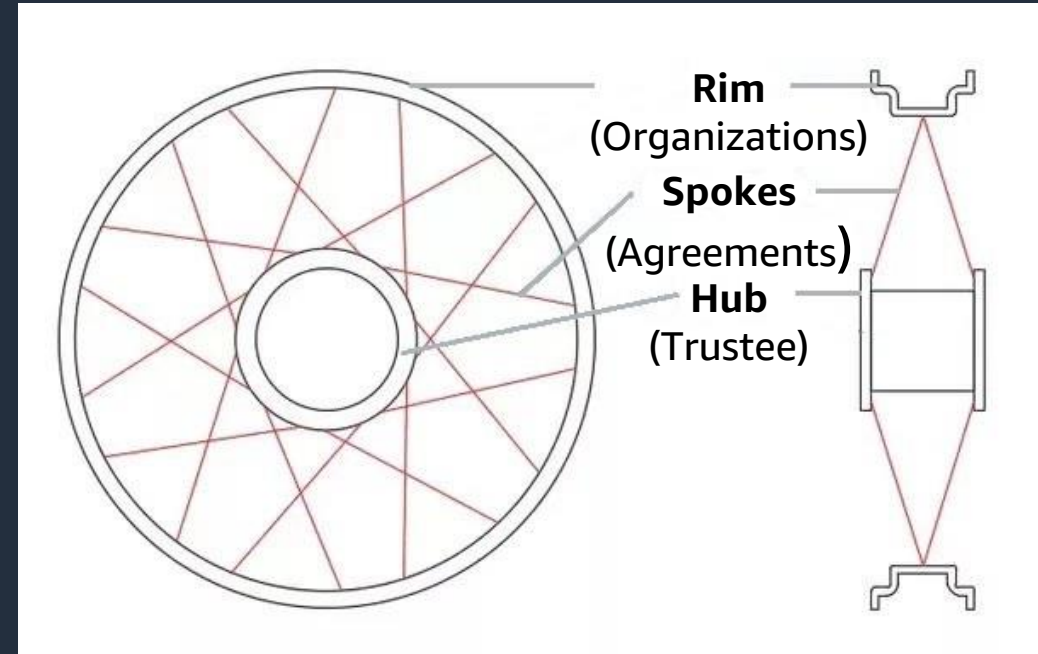
Accountability



Building trust begins with the right legal framework

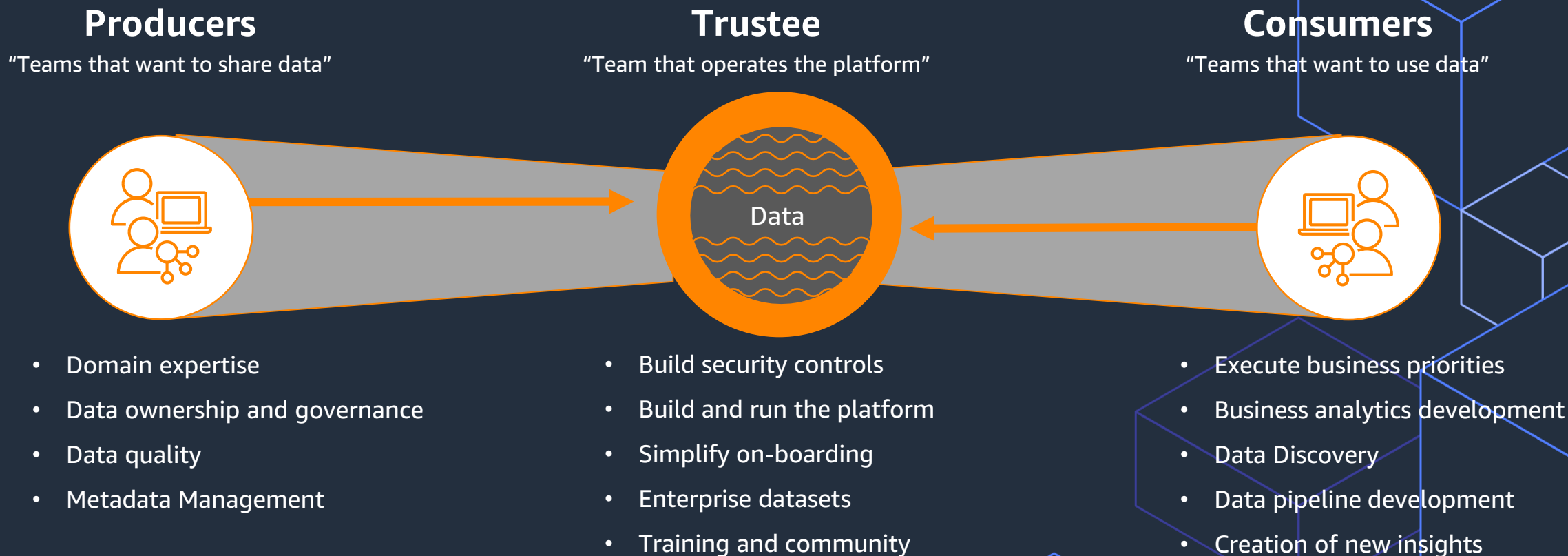
Safe, secure, and legally compliant information sharing environment

- Establish consistent requirements for trust members through a standardized data sharing agreement process
- Provide a scalable alternative to multiple “point-to-point” sharing agreements
- Promote trust among members through common rules for data security, privacy, and confidentiality
- Reduce technical costs by onboarding to a single environment using standard NIEM protocols
- Start small with focused project-based data trusts and evolve into enterprise implementation



Key relationships facilitate accountability

Data-driven organizations enable agility by pushing responsibility to the edges, to the producers and consumers of data



Level of decentralization depends on maturity of skills, complexity of business, domain knowledge required, and pace of tech change

“Organizations are not putting their data in the trust, they are making data available through the trust.”



Transparency





*Government
Agency*



*Law
Enforcement*



*Medical
Professional*



*Policy
Maker*



*Innovative
Research*



*Social
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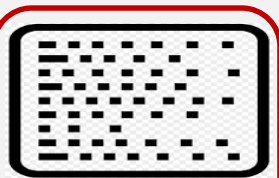
Community
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Public
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Data Analytics, AI/ML, & Intelligence Delivery

Data Catalog



Crosswalk

PII Matching

PII Data

Data
Sharing
Platform

De-identified Data

Data
Curation

Publish to Open Data Portal

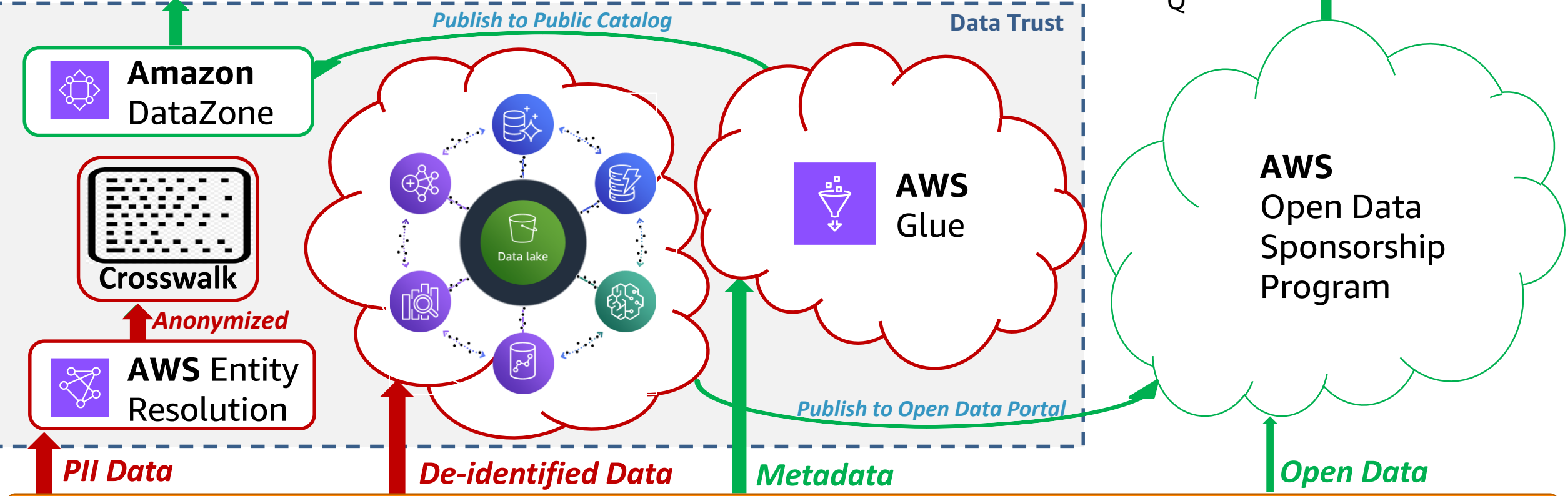
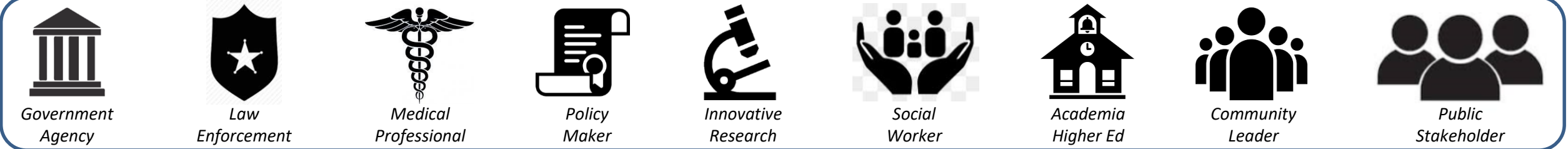
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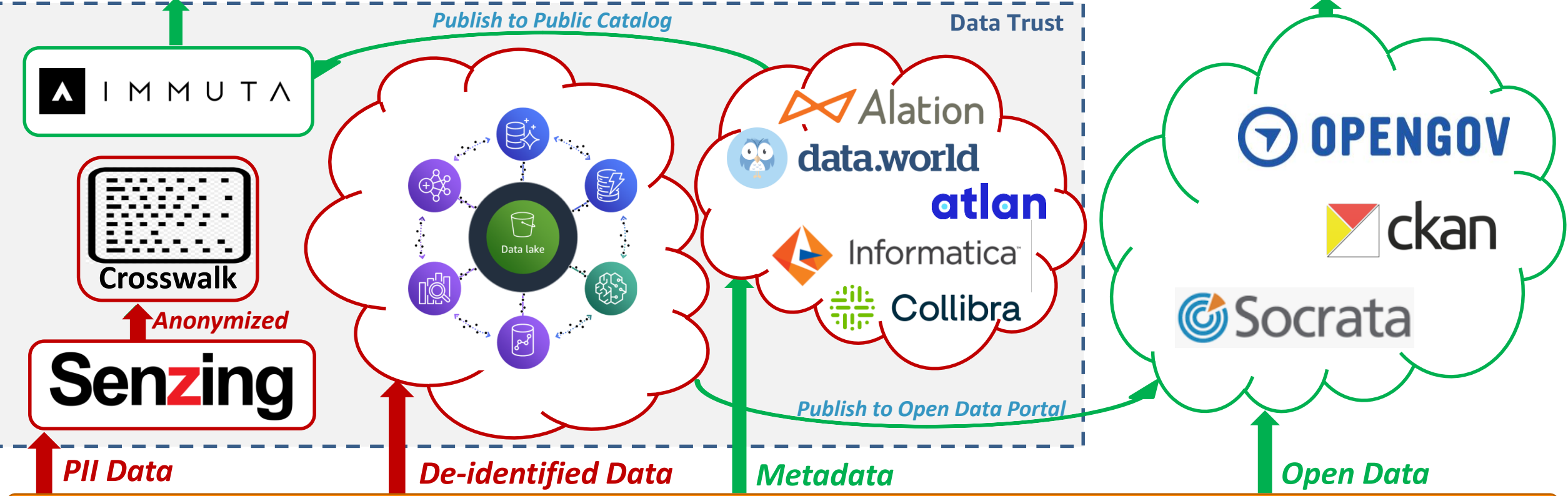
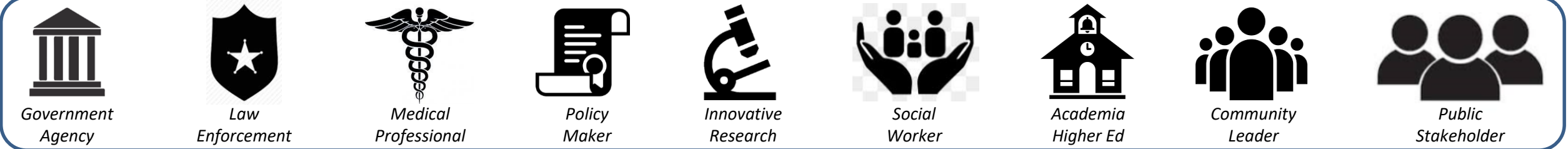
Open
Data
Portal

Open Data

Data Governance Council

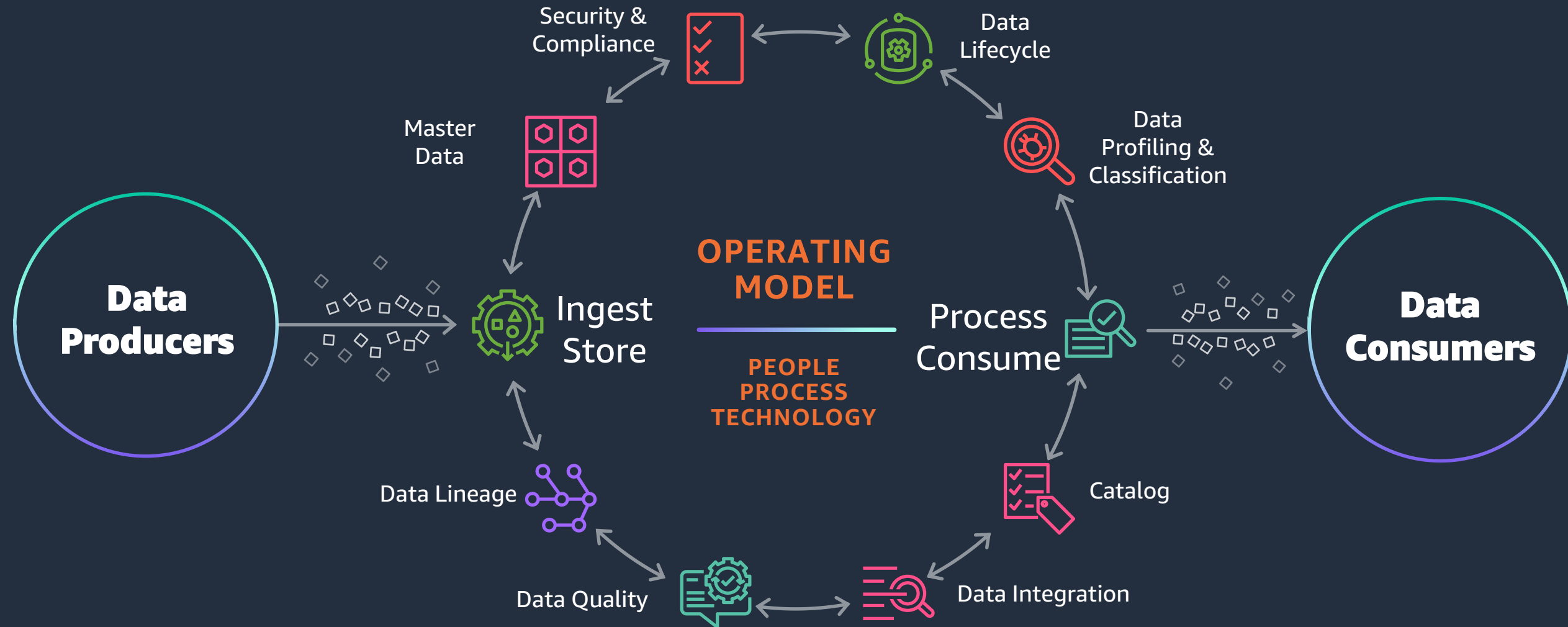






An easy-to-understand operating model

Earn trust through accountability, transparency, and visibility



Visibility



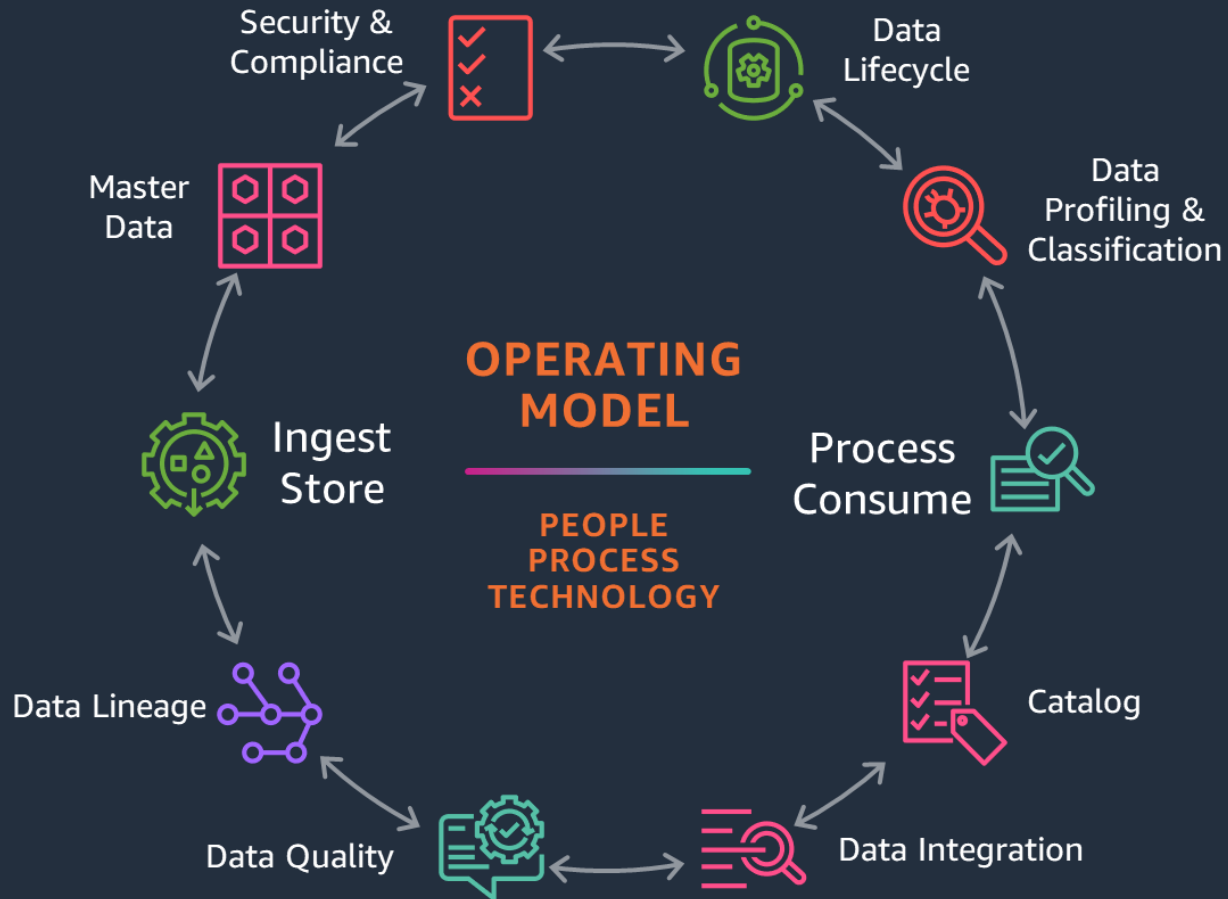
Data governance framework oversees data operations



- **High-level Organizational Leadership**
 - Identify organizational goals and objectives
 - Prioritize initiatives for implementation
 - Recommend changes to policies and budget
- **Line of Business Leaders**
 - Review, adopt, and implement recommended policies, standards, and best practices
 - Oversee the Data Governance Council
- **Data Owners**
 - Oversee the operations of the Data Trust
 - Recommend policies, standards, and best practices to improve data quality, security, accessibility, and use

AWS approach to data governance

- people, processes, and technology that organizations use to ensure the quality and security of their data throughout its lifecycle



THINK BIG, START SMALL, SCALE FAST

1. Architect data governance to support the wider data strategy
2. Implement incrementally based on business initiatives and use cases that drive the data strategy
3. Further evolve data governance capabilities over time

Consistently engaging your stakeholders ensures visibility

Build community through communications and outreach

- Road shows and outreach campaigns
- Governance entities
- Monthly newsletters
- Social media
- Datathon
- Data Summit

Best practices to build trust

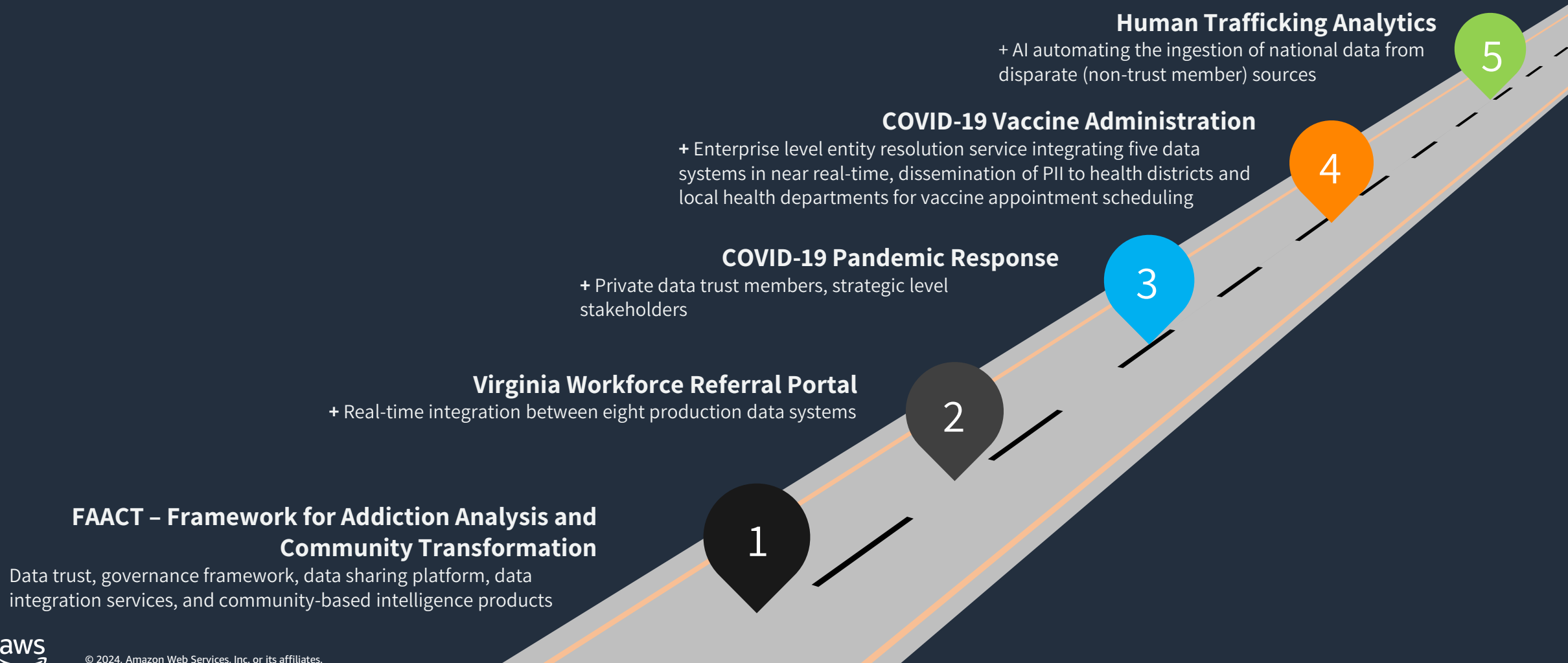
Reasonable Questions	Best Practice	Benefit
Who is responsible for ensuring only authorized individuals access sensitive or restricted-use data for approved projects?	The Chief Data Officer or Data Leader facilitates enterprise data sharing transactions on behalf of operational units	Accountability
How do I know the security and access controls align with defined data sharing policies and procedures?	Data Governance Council oversees the operations of the data program and meets regularly to monitor progress and address concerns.	Transparency
How will my data be used? Who's accessing my data? Are products produced using my data published without my knowledge or consent?	Real-time data access and use reports based on audit logs available to all data producers for their respective data assets.	Visibility



Use Cases



Mission use cases build the path to data program maturity



Virginia Crossover Youth Study

That the Virginia Commission on Youth shall convene a work group to include representatives from the Department of Juvenile Justice, the Department of Social Services, the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services, the Department of Education, youth and families with lived experience in the juvenile justice and child welfare systems, representatives of Virginia juvenile justice advocacy groups, representatives of local public defender offices, and representatives from other relevant state or local entities. The work group shall review current data and record sharing provisions with regard to youth served by the juvenile justice and child welfare systems and make recommendations on best practices for the sharing, collection, and use of such data and records while respecting the privacy interests of youth and families. The work group shall report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the Chairmen of the Senate Committee on the Judiciary and the House Committee for Courts of Justice by November 1, 2021.



Virginia 2021 Legislative Session
Senate Bill 1206 sponsored by
Senator George Barker.

*Confidentiality of juvenile court
records; exceptions.*

WHAT IS LASER?



LASER is a decision analytics platform to visualize Student Information System (SIS) data for Attendance, Behavior and Coursework

The intent of these systems is to empower:

- administrators
- support personnel
- teachers

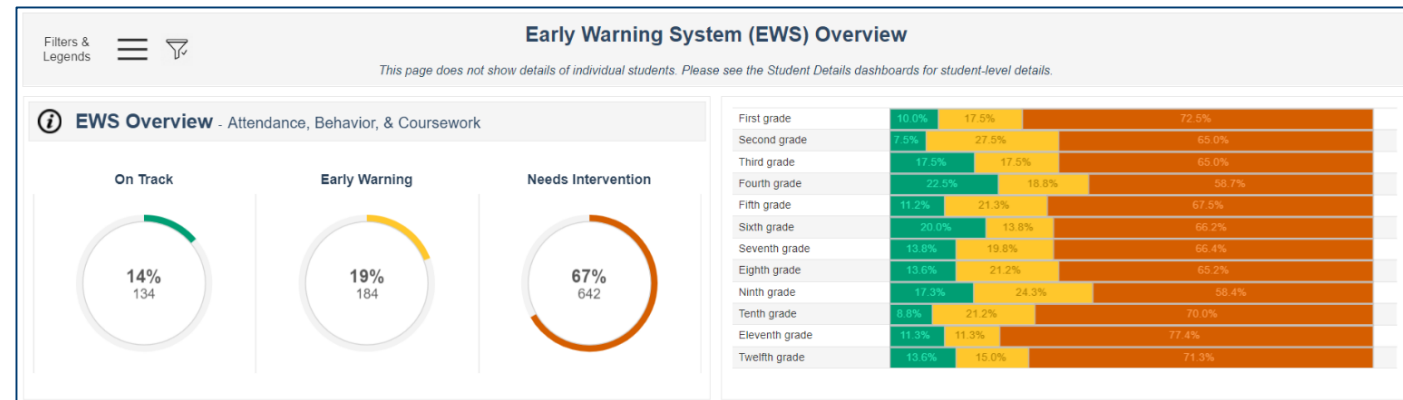
To

- better understand student performance
- make data-informed decisions

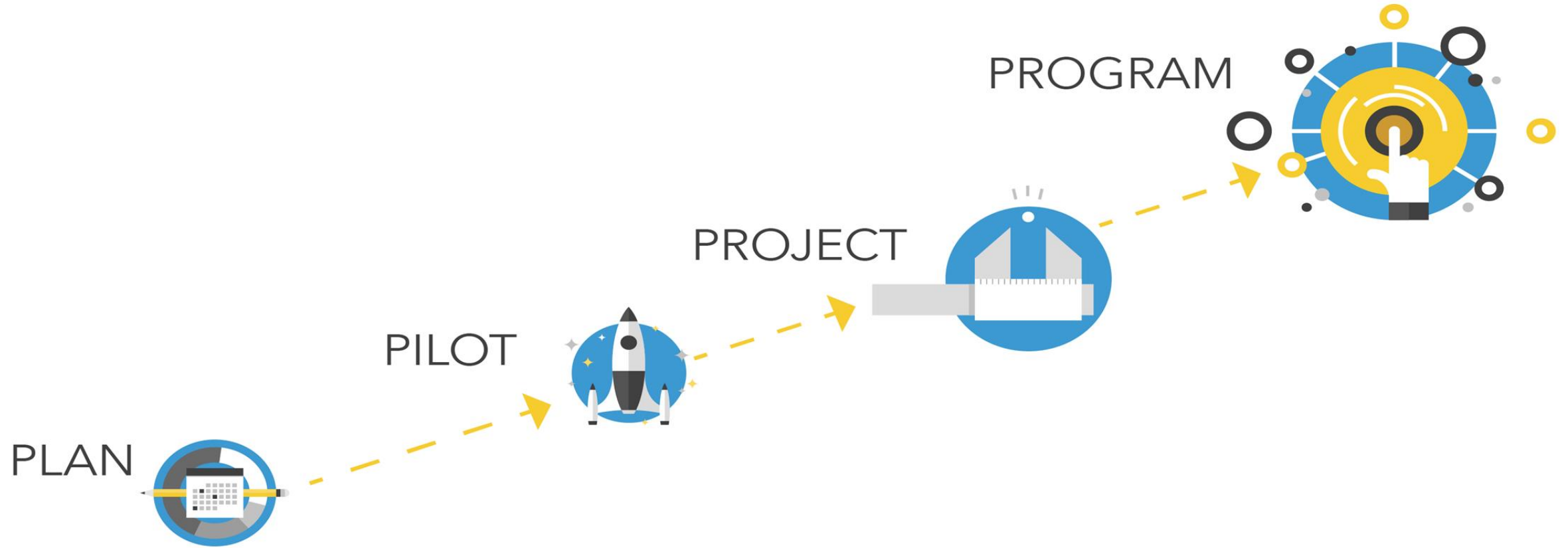
LASER taps into the state-of-art tools including Amazon Web Services for secure data storage and Tableau for data visualization

LASER allows every school access to a highly tailored, Virginia data reporting system with ample, targeted training that is highly reliable

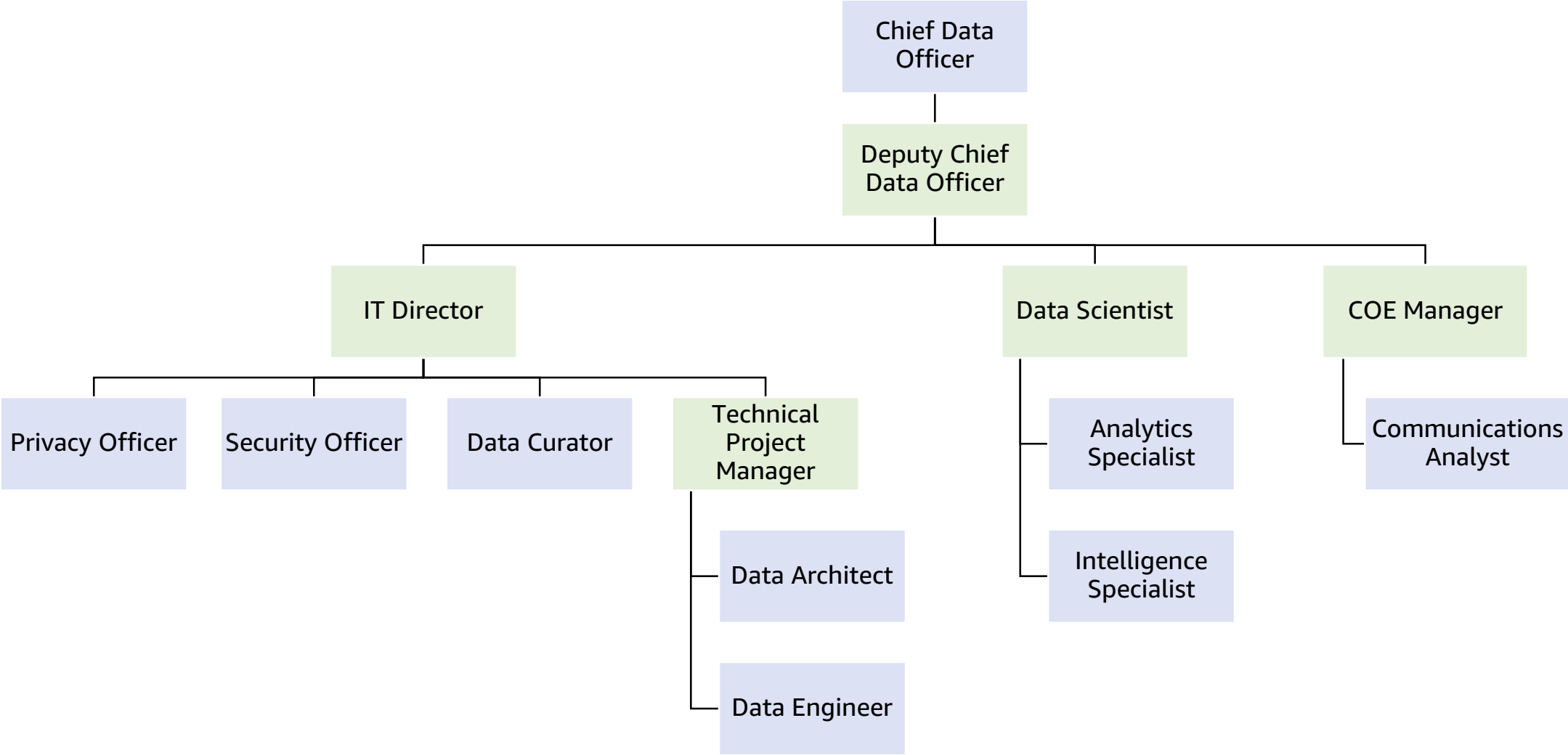
LASER is FREE to all Virginia School Divisions



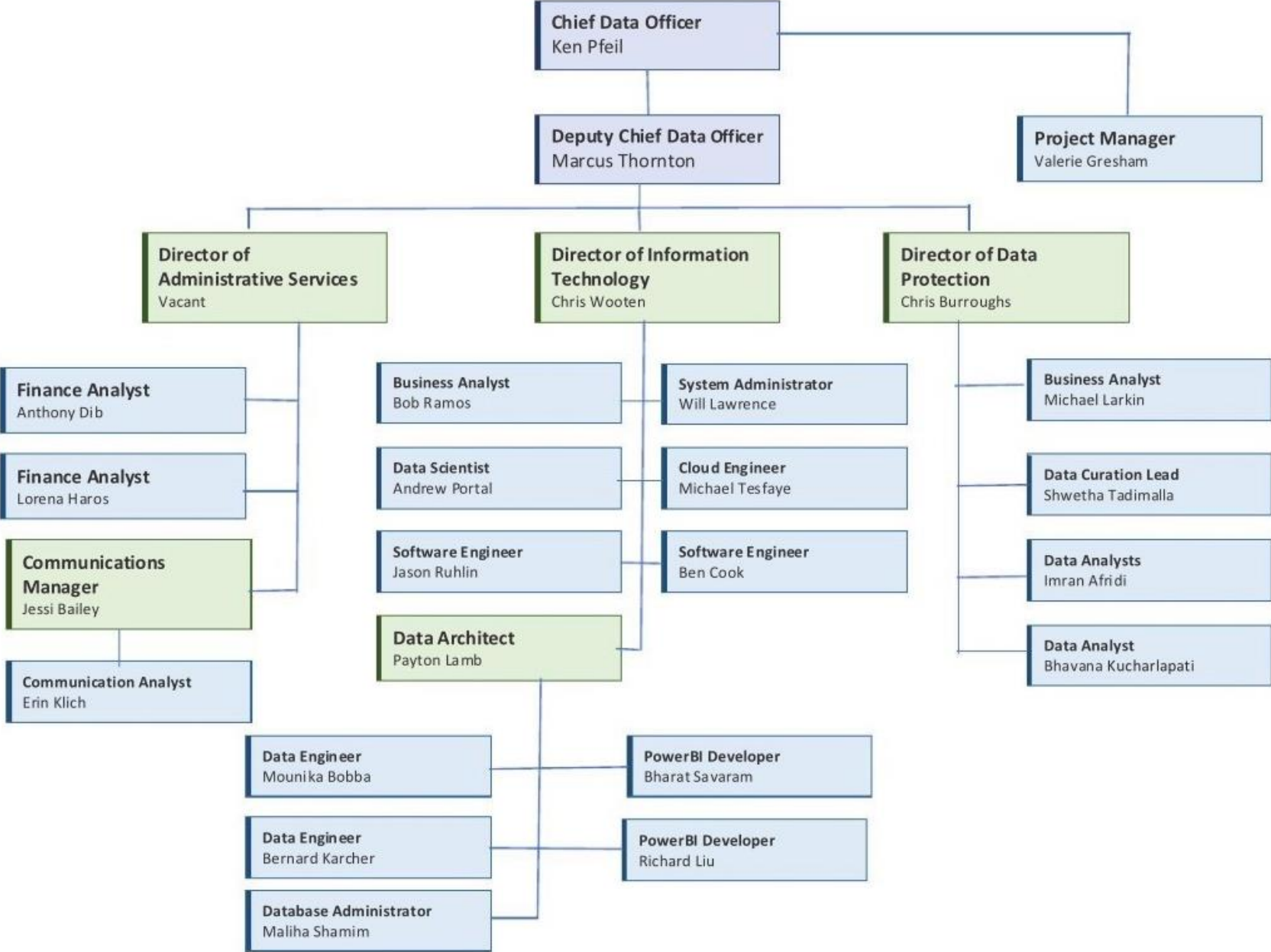
Path to data maturity



Virginia's Office of Data Governance and Analytics



ODGA 2.0



AWS Public Sector Enablement Programs



The journey to becoming a data-driven organization

Beginner

- Disconnected data and business strategy
- Reactive business operations
- siloed, fragmented data landscape
- Limited skills

Experimenter

- Data sponsorship growing
- Isolated data and AI initiatives
- Pockets of talent and value
- No connection between data and AI architectures

Adopter

- Senior stakeholders engaged and advocate data
- Cross functional teams forming
- Value being realized, not consistently tracked
- Common data and AI standards, architectures, platforms forming

Scaler

- Business actively investing in data
- Data as strong part of culture
- Cross functional teams and data-AI communities
- Active skill development
- Standardized governance and architectures integrated across data and AI

Data Driven

- Data and AI as significant part of the business value proposition
- Proactive actions, automated decision making
- Widespread autonomy in innovating with data and AI
- Product teams embedded in the business
- Autonomous use of standardized platforms, ethics, and governance

First big challenge

Harder than anticipated

How to elevate?

How can AWS help you on your data journey?

Need peer-level executive guidance?



- ✓ Mental models and strategies based on the first-hand experience of former public sector CXOs
- ✓ Get peer-level sounding board and sparring partner



Inspire and accelerate your cultural transformation

Want to build a modern data strategy?



- ✓ Create an organizational vision for innovation with data to drive business outcomes
- ✓ Define the first pilot, learn, and build



Jump-start the modern data strategy flywheel

Want use case implementation help?



- ✓ Create tangible deliverables to accelerate strategic databases, analytics, and ML initiatives
- ✓ Leave with an architecture, working prototype, path to production, and deeper knowledge of AWS service



Come with an idea, leave with a solution



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Next steps to guide you on your data journey

Align key mission stakeholders



- ✓ Educate your high-level stakeholders through exposure to mental models and strategies based on the first-hand experience of former public sector CDOs
- ✓ Qualifying criteria:
 - ✓ Executive Sponsor

Inspire and accelerate cultural transformation



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Assess data program maturity



- ✓ Create a common understanding among mission and technology leaders of your organizations maturity level across 4 perspectives:
 - ✓ Mindset
 - ✓ People
 - ✓ Process
 - ✓ Technology
- ✓ Qualifying criteria:
 - ✓ Executive Sponsor
 - ✓ Mission Program Engagement

Know where you are on your data journey

Accelerate governance and engagement



- ✓ Identify the right roles to participate in a governance structure appropriate for your organization
- ✓ Develop the charters and necessary decision-making processes
- ✓ Establish communication and escalation mechanisms
- ✓ Qualifying criteria:
 - ✓ Executive Sponsor
 - ✓ Mission Program Engagement
 - ✓ Defined Mission Use Case

Engage the right people in the right processes

Key Concepts Learned



Being data-driven is more
than technology



The right legal framework
establishes accountability



End-to-end governance
enables transparency



Consistent communication
with stakeholders facilitates
visibility



Use cases that solve
real world problems
build the path



AWS has multiple ways to get
started including training,
enablement, and a global
network of partners

Recommendations

- **Think big, start small, scale fast.**
- **Work backwards** from employee and resident/citizen/constituent challenges.
- Foster **data literacy** through leadership principles and daily use of metrics in business decisions.
- Form **multi-disciplinary** teams including business, technology, and data skills.
- **Incentivize** your data producers by creating metrics on the availability, completeness, and utility of their data.
- Build a **community**, host **events**, celebrate success by publishing blogs and writing stories about what you're doing.
- **Automate** governance and manual tasks to increase adoption.

Next Steps

- What are the **goals** for your data program?
- What **use cases** can you identify that will help you accomplish your goals?
- Who are the right **stakeholders** to engage?
- How can you leverage the **AWS Public Sector Enablement Programs** to help your organization become data driven?



Please Provide Your Feedback



Step 1: Select Executive Track

Step 2: Select How to become a data-driven public sector organization

Questions?





Thank you!

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