

# Chief Data Officer Council

## CFO Act Agency Committee Charter

Date: 24 August 2022

**Committee Name:** Large Agency Committee

**Committee Leader:** Kshemendra Paul

**Purpose:** Develop strategies, solutions, and resources to address and advocate for Chief Financial Officer (CFO) Act Agency needs and opportunities in implementing the Foundations for Evidence Based Policymaking Act and Federal Data Strategy to ensure that CDOs at CFO Act Agencies are successful across the data lifecycle.

The Committee will accomplish these goals:

- Provide CFO Act Agency leadership, learning, and partnership on the delivery of the Federal Data Strategy Action Plan and the Foundations for Evidence-Based Policymaking Act;
- Foster a vibrant community of CFO Act Agency CDO's; and
- Contribute to the general strengthening of the CDO Council.

The CFO Act Agency Committee will strive to:

- Be a collaborative body of CFO Act Agency CDO's to share, learn, and work together to solve the unique challenges faced by CFO Act Agencies;
- Leverage public input to identify strategies, solutions, and resource needs of CFO Act Agencies;
- Communicate and advocate for those strategies, solutions, and resource needs with the CDO Council and the CDO Council Executive Committee;
- Offer their unique ability, as CFO Act agencies, to provide for experimental and innovative opportunities to test ideas that further the shared goals of the CDO Council;
- Collaborate to create Agency level data-sharing agreements among Agencies to increase data sharing among agencies.
- Serve as the voice and advocate to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) on the impact and progress in the implementation of the Evidence Act, Federal Data Strategy Action Plans, cross-agency requirements, and issues face by CDO Act Agencies.

The CFO Act Agency Committee will:

- Consist of the CDOs of CFO Act Agencies.
- Be led by the CFO Act Agency Representative to the CDO Executive Committee.
- Meet on a regular basis as necessary for fulfilling its responsibilities, but no less than quarterly.
- Use consensus-based decision-making within the Committee, while actively communicating and, as necessary, documenting any dissent or range of views when providing recommendations to the CDO Council Executive Committee.

- Be attended by a member from the CFO Small Agencies Committee to serve as a liaison between both bodies and ensure, as appropriate, small agencies participate in the Large Agency CDO Committee activities.

**Linkages to the CDO Council goals:**

- The CFO Agency Committee supports all of the goals of the CDO Council, as appropriate, by ensuring the CDO Council and Executive Committee understands the unique contributions and challenges of the CDO Act Agencies across the Federal Government in implementing the Evidence Act and the Federal Data Strategy Action Plan.

**Relevant section from the statute:**

“§ 3520A. Chief Data Officer Council

“(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established in the Office of Management and Budget a Chief Data Officer Council (in this section referred to as the ‘Council’).

“(b) PURPOSE AND FUNCTIONS.—The Council shall—

“(1) establish Government-wide best practices for the use, protection, dissemination, and generation of data;

“(2) promote and encourage data sharing agreements between agencies;

“(3) identify ways in which agencies can improve upon the production of evidence for use in policymaking;

“(4) consult with the public and engage with private users of Government data and other stakeholders on how to improve access to data assets of the Federal Government; and

“(5) identify and evaluate new technology solutions for improving the collection and use of data.