



# NIRS

## *NIRS Overview*



*What is NIRS and what does it do?*

*It is an online database that gives feds a clue*



*About how we work to make the world great*

*Helping to make communities first rate*





*I know that the name may sound kinda funny  
But the database NIRS, it equals money*

*All UCEDDs & LENDs use it and it's run by AUCD  
The data is shared with funders in Washington DC*

**UCEDDs LENDs**

**AUCD**





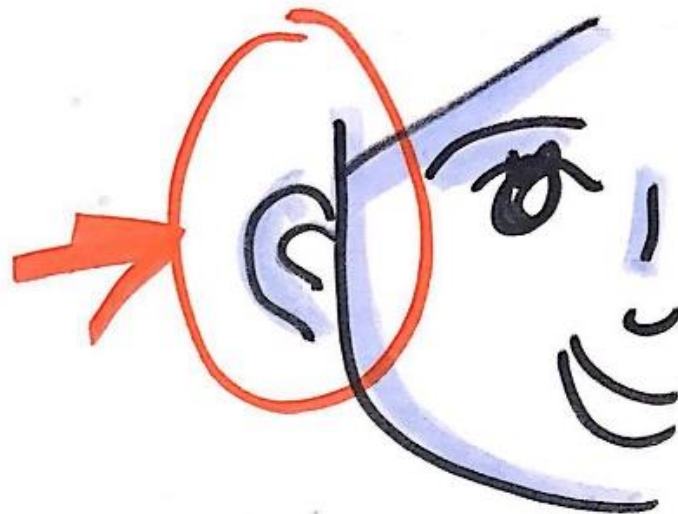
*All the letters in NIRS stand for something, it's true  
I wonder if everyone knows each letter too?*

*N is for National, I is for Information  
The R is Reporting, S is for System*

**N I R S**  
NATIONAL INFORMATION REPORTING SYSTEM



*How do you say it, some people have asked?  
NIRS rhymes with ears it was decided long past*



*And there's one more thing, we can all rest assured  
That the data in NIRS is always secured*



*NIRS now looks different, trust me it's better  
It's like dressing a cow in a fancy new sweater*

*It's a bit more intuitive from my memory  
Finally catching up with the 21<sup>st</sup> century*





### Dashboard

TODAY  
**11/29/18**  
current database snapshot

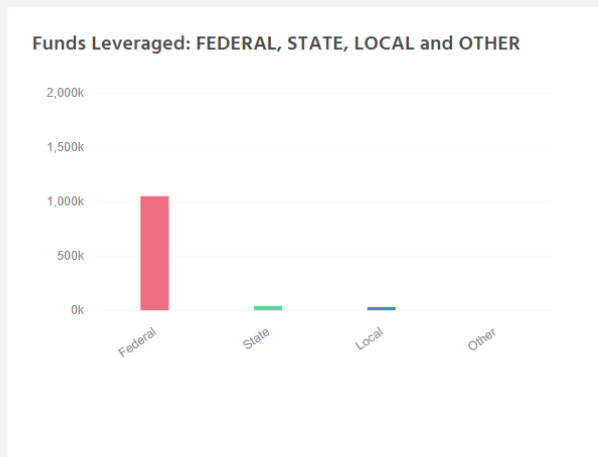
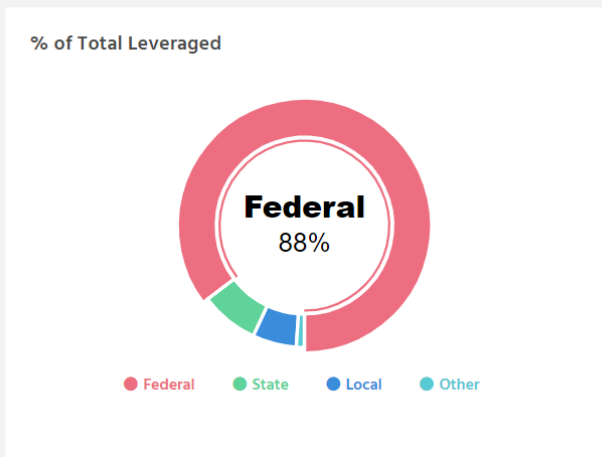
TRAINEES (LONG/INTERM)  
**4**  
TRAINEES (SHORT TERM) 5

PROJECTS  
**7**

ACTIVITIES  
**10**

PRODUCTS & PUBLICATIONS  
**161**

ACTIVE DIRECTORY STAFF  
**27**







*NIRS has 5 datasets where we enter all our efforts  
Those who know them all are certainly the experts*

**5**  
DATASETS

*TRAINEES are academic fellows or students  
Your training program teaches to be disability-prudent*

**TRAINEES** 





*PROJECTS* are exactly what you think they would be  
They're the big efforts usually from a funding entity

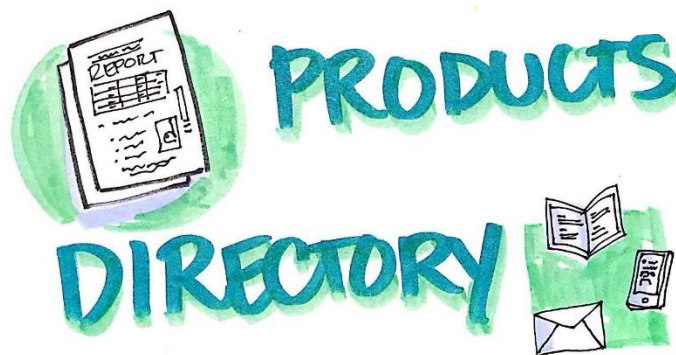


*Reporting on ACTIVITIES* is perhaps the most crucial  
*It measures our impact and how we're so useful*



*PRODUCTS is another not to ignore  
It reports what you create, materials galore!*

*The DIRECTORY is fifth and not to be forgotten  
Not updating this would certainly be rotten*





*It tells people who we are and our expertise  
So, when you can, update your profile please*

*Pay close attention to one item of great utility  
It asks about your relationship to disability*





*Not all you do should be put into NIRS  
Don't worry, there's guidance to settle your fears*

*The [AUCD website](#) has lots of great stuff  
To help you out when the going gets rough*





*There is a team to help make things alright  
When a question pops up or you get lost on the site*

*There are staff here who can each help you out  
And Natalie at AUCD can give a bailout*





*Please enter your data often and early  
So reporting next June doesn't get too squirrely*

*We can't overstate how important this all is  
It's how we get paid, keep jobs, stay in biz*





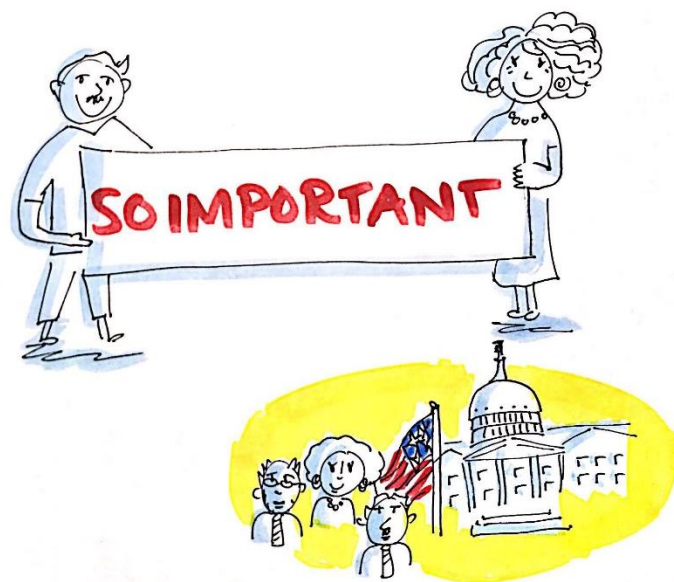


*More importantly, even, is  
how data is used*

*To find experts and efforts  
to guide the confused*

*Your data in NIRS helps ease  
the confusion*

*And informs policymakers how  
to support inclusion*







*Thank you for your attention and for your time  
And letting us present this all in a rhyme*

*Now is your chance to ask a question or two  
Otherwise we'll end because we're all through!*



*Thanks to the team in New Hampshire, you see  
The original poem came from the [Institute on Disability](#)*

*The images are awesome, surely you agree  
And they come from the coolest gal InkyBrittany*



[InkyBrittany.com](http://InkyBrittany.com)