

Group 1 – Data Coordinators UCEDD/LEND

I am a UCEDD/LEND Data Coordinator – what data is shared? How do you count data responsibly? What is (are) your data collection processes?

1. What data is shared?
 - Depends on program/person/information
 - Sometimes the answers overlap
2. How do you count data responsibly?
 - SCOPUS – used to collect information on publications – your library at your University could possibly have a license for this.
 - Meaning number would be to go back and look at on-line trainings and other types of information being collected.
3. We are increasing our dissemination, but do we still collect this information?
 - Total numbers of products disseminated, which is optional now, this is no longer required. This is no longer required. This information is missed; however, the information is difficult to collect as there are so many and so much information is done electronically. Many feel obligated to collect. THIS IS NOT REQUIRED. Some still find it interesting to collect.
 - Per UCEDD, are we just counting the new number of products or are we counting the number distributed? Not required by the funder, but available for the UCEDD to collect.
4. What is your data collection processes?
 - Some data is duplicative, then the data is scrubbed.
 - Some data has nothing to do with each other – this data is not counted in both groups.
 - UCEDD activities are more straightforward
5. UCEDD/LEND Activities
 - Often counted in both categories
 - Most things are both UCEDD/LEND
 - If I know that the information is not for both, I do not count for both. The MCH categories are not as “easy” to accumulate the information. Some information does not fit what the requirements are

6. How do you distinguished between the 2
 - Depends on the type of activities.
 - LEND activities are more “prescribed”, very clear
 - Some do it by the “person”. Activities are very similar. A faculty member is both, I do not look at the activity, I look at the person and make the determination from there
7. Technical Assistance is very specific, however, many people put down the technical assistance as being done (more than 3 contacts, then the evaluation needs to be done). “NIRS” definition of technical assistance is being used. (Quality over quantity)
 - We have many grants that focus on TA – we tend to focus on this data for input (this is where the quality will be)
 - We base the information according to Workplan, those that are not meeting this requirement, are generally not met by more than 3 contacts
 - We send out a survey once per year (similar to the website survey) requesting individuals to complete, reminding that this is required for our federal funding

How are people entering recurring activities? How are you capturing unduplicated person served?