



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





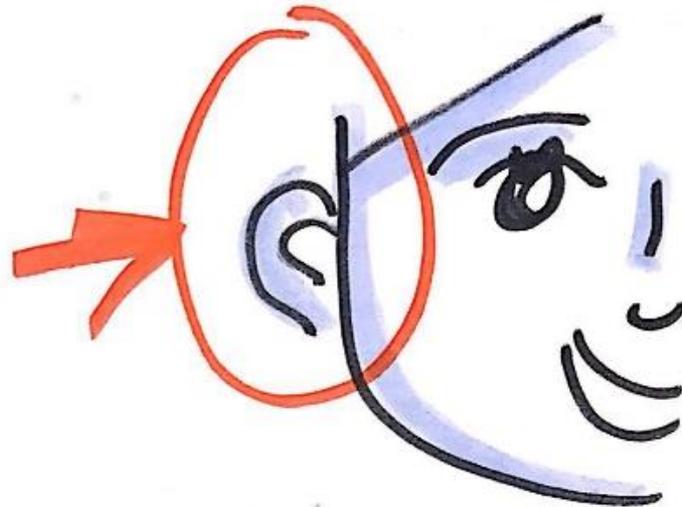
*All the letters in NIRS stand for something, it's true
I wonder if everyone knows each letter too?*

*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 21st century*





Dashboard

TODAY
11/29/18
current database snapshot

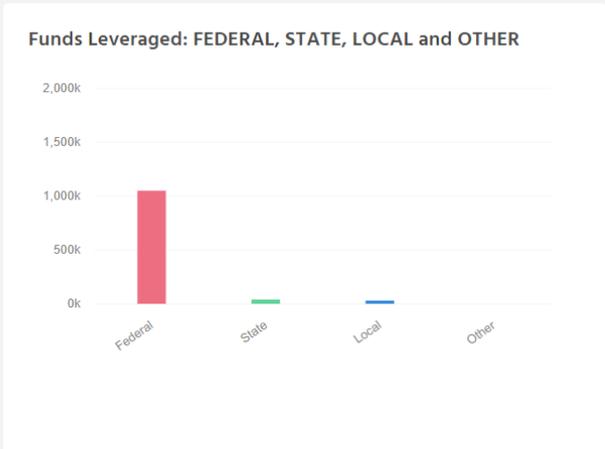
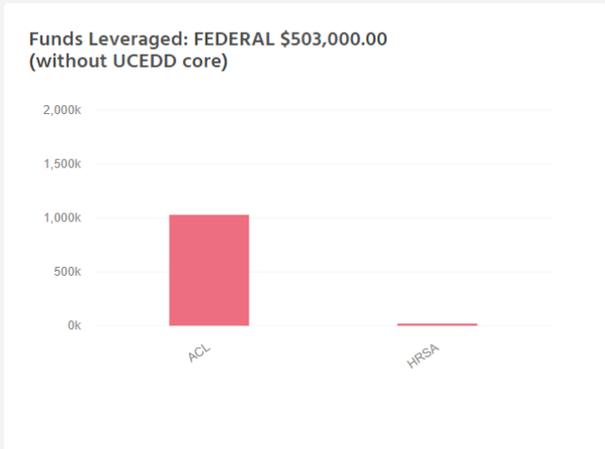
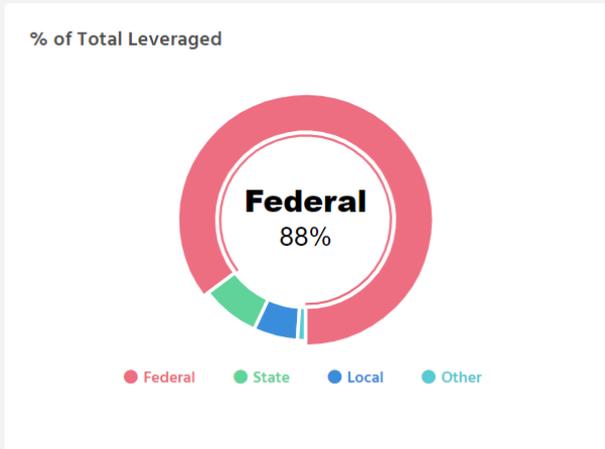
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PROJECTS
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ACTIVITIES
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PRODUCTS & PUBLICATIONS
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*NIRS has 5 datasets where we enter all our efforts
Those who know them all are certainly the experts*

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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

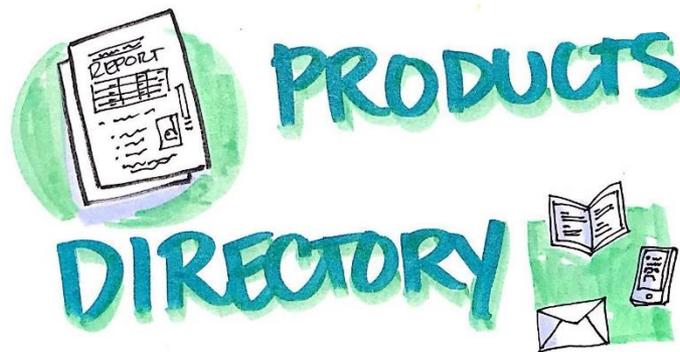


Reporting on ACTIVITIES is perhaps the most crucial
It measures our impact and how we're so useful



*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 NIRS@aucd.org 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*



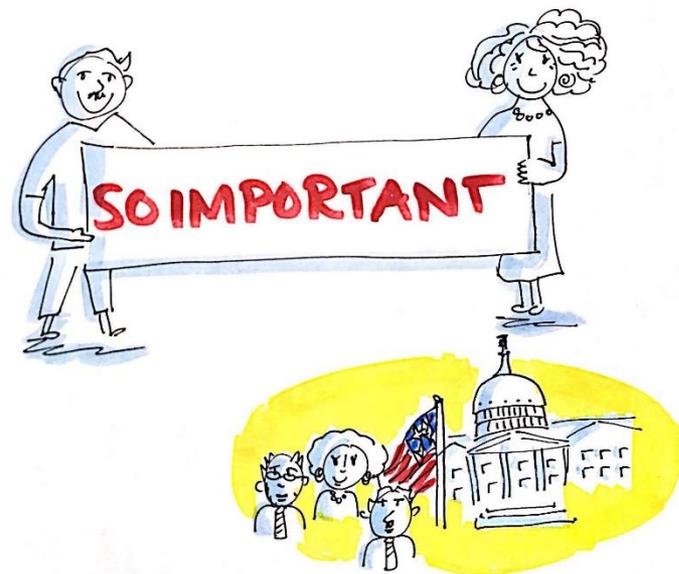


*More importantly, even, is
how data is used*

*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