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Partnering for Progress: Engaging Local Education Agencies to Improve the Quality of Their Data
Questions to Review During Today's Virtual Select Session Activity

These questions are derived from the IDEA Data Center (IDC) *Data Meeting Protocol* for use in today's virtual select session activity. Please consult the *Data Meeting Toolkit* for the complete facilitation guide as well as the full list of questions you can use during data meetings.

Discuss **Observations** of the Data
- What do you see?
- What are your initial thoughts and reactions?
- Is this what you expected to see? If so, how does it match your expectations? If not, why not?
- What surprises you?
- Are there particular data that catch your attention?
- What do these data not tell you?
- What are the limitations of these data? What do you and other stakeholders need to keep in mind about the data as you review them?

Discuss **Interpretations** of the Data
- What thoughts or assumptions do these data confirm or contradict?
- Are there any limitations to your conclusions or interpretations?
- Are there any perspectives you have not considered?
- Do you need additional data to answer your question?

Discuss **Implications** of the Data
- What do the data tell you about current infrastructure and practice needs?
- What are the implications?
- What is the significance for the work?
- Do the data suggest that you do something different or maintain your current course of action?

Determine **Next Steps**
- What programmatic action items, such as changes, additions, or eliminations of programs or activities, do the data analysis and discussion call for?
- What changes, additions, or eliminations to policy can result from the analysis?
- If the group identified data quality issues, how will you improve data quality? Consider how you can leverage established data governance procedures.
- If additional data are needed, will you need to collect new data?