



NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

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Introducing Our New Partner Resource Page

Your One-Stop Hub for Updates, Tutorials and Support

Dear Partners,

I'm pleased to announce the launch of our new <u>Partner Resource Page</u>, designed to make your grant application and evaluation process more streamlined and straightforward.

This page brings together everything you need in one place, including reporiting updates, helpful links, and key insights. We are actively working on video tutorials for new tools and systems like SUPRT. These are desinged to provide support every step of your project. You can also book a consultation, review our latest resources, or contact our team.

We invite you to explore the page and see how these tools can simplify your experience and enhance collaboration.

Thank you for your continued partnership and commitment to meaningful impact.

Dr. William Medendorp



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FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

This list of 2025 grants and forecasted funding opportunities is regularly updated on the REA Analytics <u>blog</u>.

<u>Schedule</u> a FREE application meeting to discuss your grant opportunities.

Homeless Veterans' Reintegration Program

Forecasted Opportunity

FOA-VETS-26-01 - Est. Post Jan 12, 2026 up to \$500,000

To support America's veterans in achieving their full employment potential and securing high-quality career outcomes for veterans experiencing and at risk of homelessness.

Mental Health

Forecasted Opportunity

SM-25-002 - Est. Post TBA up to \$1.3 million

Comprehensive Community Mental Health Services for Children with Serious Emotional Disturbances

HHS-2025-ACL-AOA-CSSG-0034 - Est. Post TBA up to \$ 1,250,000

Advancing Strategies to Deliver and Sustain Evidence-Based Chronic Disease Self-Management Education Programs to Support Older Adults with Behavioral Health Conditions.

Schedule a FREE application meeting to discuss your grant opportunities.

Email <u>rea@reanalytics.com</u> to be included in this funding alert and receive qualifying grant announcements.



Meeting the New Performance Demands

in Federal Grant Oversight

How Grants Are Becoming Outcome-Driven

New trends in federal grants indicate a shift from compliance-centric grant administration toward continuous performance oversight, embedded evaluation, and data-driven risk monitoring. For organizations and evaluators working with federal grants, this signals additional reporting standards.

What's Changing And What It Means for Programs

From Compliance to Performance

Historically, federal grants emphasized outputs ("we delivered 1,000 workshops") and budget compliance ("we spent within our line items"). The new paradigm demands **linking dollars to outcomes** — that is, showing how funds translated into change (e.g. increased employment, improved health metrics, system adoption). Evaluators must push programs to define leading indicators, outcome pipelines, and logic models from Day 1.

Data Integration & Interoperability

Interoperability between grant systems, financial systems, and program data feeds is essential. In addition to survey or primary data collection, evaluators will increasingly rely on administrative data. Poor data standards or mismatched IDs will hamper claims of rigor. Evaluation teams must coordinate with IT/data architects to ensure metadata, unique identifiers, and timestamps align.

Risk-Based Analytics, Real-Time Monitoring

Rather than waiting for annual reviews, agencies will want analytics that flag risk earlier — late reports, unexpected spending spikes, subaward churn, or mismatches between budget and activity descriptions. Techniques like anomaly detection, clustering, rule-based alerts, and predictive modeling will become standard oversight tools.

Continuous Evaluation Rather Than Episodic

Agencies will prefer analytics that identify risk early on, such as late reports, unforeseen spending spikes, subaward churn, or discrepancies between budget and activity descriptions, rather than waiting for annual reviews. Predictive modeling, rule-based alerts, anomaly detection, and clustering will all be commonplace oversight techniques.

Actionable Moves for Evaluators & Grant Teams

To stay ahead of the curve and set up your teams for success under the new oversight regime, follow these tips:

Design a Performance Dashboard Template – Combine program, financial, and compliance metrics into one view. Include risk score, output vs. plan, early outcomes, and exception flags to improve real-time insight.

Subaward Risk Scoring – Address common audit weak spots by developing a scoring model based on subaward size, prior audit findings, reporting timeliness, and program complexity.

Anomaly Detection Pipeline – Anomaly Detection Pipeline: Early detection of potential compliance risks through rule-based checks (e.g., large draws, vendor concentration) and piloting machine learning methods like isolation forest models.

Standardize Logic Models & Evaluation Plans – Standardize logic models and evaluation plans to clarify expected outcomes. Use consistent templates for theory-of-change, indicators, data sources, and evaluation methods.

Pilot Continuous Monitoring – Demonstrate the value of ongoing oversight through monthly or quarterly dashboards that track issues, interventions, and improvements.

Coordinate Data Governance – Strengthen data credibility by aligning identifiers, standardizing metadata, and ensuring privacy and compliance through collaboration with grants offices and IT.

What This Means For REA's Partners

- Stronger grant proposals
- Better risk management
- More authoritative dashboards
- Evaluation as strategic asset

For 15 years, REA Analytics has improved how impact is measured and communicated. Programs that adapt early will gain stronger credibility, more stable funding, and deeper insight into what truly drives results.

Under the new, more rigorous oversight requirements, proper analytics equips organizations with the insight and evidence needed to stay compliant and competitive. REA Analytics is committed to supporting grant teams in meeting these demands by helping them build the data foundations, performance measures, and documentation required to demonstrate results with confidence.