

Fact Sheet: Eliminating Barriers for Federal Artificial Intelligence Use and Procurement

SUPPORTING AND EMBRACING AMERICAN INNOVATION: Under President Trump's leadership, America is well-positioned to maintain its global dominance in artificial intelligence (AI) innovation. Today, the White House Office of Management and Budget, in coordination with the Assistant to the President for Science and Technology, issued two revised policies to facilitate responsible AI adoption to improve public services. These policies fundamentally shift perspectives and direction from the prior Administration, focusing now on utilizing emerging technologies to modernize the Federal Government.

- The Executive Branch is shifting to a forward-leaning, pro-innovation and pro-competition mindset rather than pursuing the risk-averse approach of the previous administration.
- The Federal Government will no longer impose unnecessary bureaucratic restrictions on the use of innovative American AI in the Executive Branch.
- By embracing AI adoption, agencies will be more agile, cost-effective, and efficient.
- This shift will deliver improvements to the lives of the American public while enhancing America's global dominance in AI innovation.

PROMOTING RAPID AND RESPONSIBLE AI ADOPTION: M-25-21 gives agencies the tools necessary to embrace AI innovation, while maintaining strong protections for Americans' privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties.

- Agencies will empower AI leaders to remove barriers to AI innovation.
 - Agency Chief AI Officer roles are redefined to serve as change agents and AI advocates, rather than overseeing layers of bureaucracy.
 - Chief AI Officers are tasked with promoting agency-wide AI innovation and adoption for lower risk AI, mitigating risks for higher-impact AI, and advising on agency AI investments and spending.
- Agencies will produce an AI adoption maturity assessment to better track progress and needs.
- Policies introduce a single "high-impact AI" category to track AI use cases that require heightened due diligence because of potential impacts on the rights or safety of the American people.
- Accountability for AI will mirror the existing process for using government IT, instead of creating new layers of approvals.
- Use of American AI will be maximized when seeking new AI solutions.

DRIVING EFFECTIVE AND EFFICIENT AI ACQUISITION: M-25-22 provides agencies with concise, effective guidance on how to acquire best-in-class AI quickly, competitively, and responsibly.

- Agencies must support a competitive American AI marketplace, maximizing the use of American AI systems and services in support of American AI leadership, human flourishing, economic competitiveness, and national security.

- This policy recognizes the importance of competition, communicating clear and specific requirements that avoid vendor lock-in.
- The new approach removes burdensome agency reporting requirements and optimizes the acquisition process, while continuing to protect privacy and ensure lawful use of government data.
- Agencies will use performance-based techniques to best harness the rapidly developing AI marketplace and create an online shared repository of resources and tools to assist with AI procurement.

AI WORKING FOR AMERICANS: Federal agencies are maximizing the benefits of AI to promote human flourishing, economic competitiveness, and national security. Illustrative examples include the following:

- The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) optimizes patient care through AI tools that help identify and standardize Veterans' care.
 - The VA uses AI to support the identification and analysis of pulmonary nodules during lung cancer screening exams. The AI functionality improves detection of these nodules, assisting clinicians with life-saving diagnoses.
- The Department of Justice (DOJ) improves public safety by leveraging AI to protect the American public.
 - The DOJ is using AI to better understand the global drug market and the impact of illicit drugs on communities and individuals, in order to further drug trafficking investigations and protect the American public.
- The National Aeronautics Space Administration (NASA) expands humanity's ability to safely traverse Mars by using AI.
 - NASA is using AI on the Mars2020 Rover to help it navigate with limited direction from Earth, optimizing scientific discovery from the rover's sensors and assuring it safely traverses the planet's hazardous terrain.