## Eugene H. Rooney, Jr. Award Nomination Innovative State Human Resource Management Program

Nominations from dues-paying states are considered for eligibility. Nominated leaders and programs should have a positive effect on the administration of state human resource programs. A state's central human resource department or line agency human resource operations may administer nominated programs.

Programs and projects must have been operational for at least six months and must be transferable to other states. Selection criteria are based on the questions asked on the award application. Included in this packet are the specific criteria for each award and their categories. Nominations are encouraged in all areas of human resource management administration.

## PROGRAM INFORMATION

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## **DETAILS**

Please attach a one-page summary of the program. Provide a narrative answer for each of the questions. You are limited to four pages (based on regular 8 1/2 x 11-inch paper double-spaced in 12-point font). The four-page limit does not include the one-page summary.

#### 1. Please provide a brief description of this program.

The Indiana State Personnel Department (INSPD) is revolutionizing HR data accessibility through the HR Data Dashboards for Agency Leadership program. Readily available HR Dashboards empower Agency Heads, Chiefs of Staff, Deputy Directors, and other operational leaders across over 90 executive, quasi, and separately elected agencies to make data-informed workforce decisions by providing them with critical, real-time HR data at their fingertips.

The following eight, robust HR Dashboards accessible to agency leadership teams provide the following suite of tools designed to empower informed decision-making: 1) Hiring Metrics; 2) Compensation and Classification Review (to monitor status of change requests); 3) Onboarding; 4) Staffing and Demographics; 5) Workforce Strategy and Performance (key HR metrics, such as goal plans, PIPs, performance rating distribution); 6) Pulse Survey Results (bi-annual employee engagement survey); 7) Training; and 8) Offboarding. Through these dashboards, INSPD is able to provide agency leaders with real time, self-serve access to over XXX HR metrics or data points, all of which are relevant to their agency operations, strategic workforce planning, and decision making.

Adoption of these dashboards has been at the highest levels of state government leadership, with 55 State of Indiana Agency Heads, 51 Chiefs of Staff/Deputies; and 13 of Governor Eric J. Holcomb's Operations Directors accessing HR data through the dashboards in the past 12 months. These leaders represent 71 agencies—or 79% of the state. This high adoption rate

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ensures that those with authority to enact significant workforce changes have access to critical HR data. In addition, this initiative fosters a data-driven culture within INSPD itself, enabling staff to leverage insights for improved service delivery and program development. This includes over 200 staff across critical HR functions like Benefits and Wellness, Employee Relations, Communications, Workforce Strategy and Performance, Talent Acquisition, Compensation, Enterprise Information Services, and the entire field HR team consisting of HR Business Partners, HR Managers, and HR Directors who provide direct services to our customer agencies.

Overall, there are 665 users permissioned for INSPD's Tableau site with 492 users accessing the site in the last year. On average, 120 user login and access the dashboards each day. The three most accessed dashboards in the last 12 months are: Staffing and Demographics (5,033); Hiring Metrics (2,030); and the Pulse Survey (1,611). In total, these dashboards provide over 100 critical HR data points.

By making HR data accessible through user-friendly dashboards and achieving high engagement across all levels of agency leadership, INSPD equips agency leaders and its own staff with the tools they need to make data informed decisions resulting in a more effective public workforce and good stewardship of taxpayer dollars. This nomination for the Eugene H. Rooney, Jr. Award for Innovative State Human Resource Management Programs recognizes the program's groundbreaking approach, its cost-effective development, and its lasting impact on the State of Indiana. INSPD aspires to inspire personnel departments at other states to embrace similar initiatives, advancing transparency, access, and data-driven HR decision making across state governments.

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- 2. How long has this program been operational (month and year)? The first HR Dashboards were created in Tableau in 2017 for HR Directors—agency leaders were permissioned only upon request. In late 2022, after seeing the need for increased HR data awareness statewide, we decided to enhance existing dashboards, introduce new dashboards, and expand the audience of our HR Workbooks/Dashboards beyond INSPD to directly empower leaders of Indiana's state agencies. In February 2024, INSPD hosted two training sessions which were attended by over 300 agency leaders. This high level of engagement underscores the value of the program.
- 3. Why was this program created? (What problem[s] or issues does it address?)
  Prior to the HR Data Dashboards for Agency Leadership program, critical HR data was only
  accessible upon request, slowing down or completely hindering informed decision-making at
  state agencies. Leaders lacked a centralized, user-friendly platform to access essential metrics.
  This lack of readily available data impeded strategic planning and hindered proactive talent
  management. HR Data Dashboards for Agency Leadership address this head-on. They empower
  agencies and operational leaders to quickly find routine HR information, from instantaneous
  access to staffing reports and Time To Fill & Time To Hire statistics to identifying key vacancies.
  Leaders can now make informed decisions regarding recruitment, retention, and workforce
  development strategies, all supported by readily available data. Furthermore, customizable
  subscriptions empower them to receive regular updates emailed to them at a desired
  frequency, ensuring they stay ahead of trends and make proactive adjustments as needed. The
  HR Data Dashboards for Agency Leadership program tackles the challenge of information

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accessibility and equips leaders with the tools they need to build a stronger, more effective workforce.

### 4. Why is this program a new and creative method?

Unprecedented scope and user enablement: By permissioning dashboards to over 440 agency leaders across 90+ state agencies and focusing on user enablement, leaders can quickly access and understand complex HR data, fostering informed decision-making.

Scalable and Sustainable: The shift to standardized dashboards ensures program sustainability and reduces maintenance needs. This allows us to focus on continuous improvement and the development of even more powerful HR data tools.

5. What was the program's startup costs? (Provide detailed information about specific purchases for this program, staffing needs and other expenditures, as well as existing materials, technology, and staff already in place.)

We added a Business Intelligence Developer position in 2021 focused on enhancing existing dashboards and building new ones. All in, that investment was approximately \$95,000 for the position (includes fringe) and necessary resources.

#### 6. What are the program's operational costs?

We spend about \$175,000/year on the staffing to support and maintain Tableau, in addition to \$5,000 - \$10,000 for technology needs. In total, we spend between less than \$200,000 annually on this program its resources.

#### 7. How is this program funded?

This program and the staff that support it are funded with the agency's limited General Fund allocation.

Did	this program originate in your state?	YES	
8.	Are you aware of similar programs in other states?  If yes, how does this program differ?		NO

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9. How do you measure the success of this program?

We measure success through statewide adoption and usage which we track through Tableau.

Right now, we see almost 80% of agencies adopting.

#### 10. How has the program grown and/or changed since its inception?

We launched HR Dashboards in 2017 for HR leaders. Recognizing the statewide need for broader HR data access, we expanded them in late 2022 to empower operational leaders across Indiana agencies. In February 2024, we completed the comprehensive Field Operations HR Dashboard. This user-friendly interface provides a powerful one-stop shop for HR users. In a single glance, they can gain a high-level snapshot of all HR operations at their agency, encompassing critical areas like staffing, job management, compliance, employee status, leave usage, and employee relations.

- Staffing: Number of open requisitions, pending offer requests, and future dated transactions.
- **Job Management:** Job code action requests and transactions in process.
- Data Quality: Number of data errors.
- **Compliance:** I9 forms not compliant and intermittent employees exceeding 180-days.
- Leave Management: Number of employees on leave (total, exceeding 4 weeks, active FMLA, and FMLA returning within 7 days).
- Employee Status: Number of employees eligible for retirement.
- Employee Relations and Performance Management: Number of disciplinary actions in the last 13 months, ongoing investigations, and Performance Improvement Plans (PIPs) with issues in the last 13 months.

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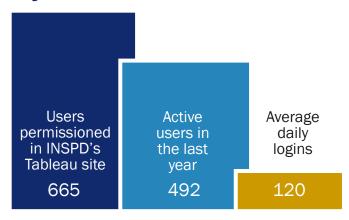
## **Empowering Data-Driven Decisions:**





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## **Key User Metrics**





Startup Cost (including staff) \$95,000



Annual Operational Costs \$175,000 -\$200,000

## **Benefits to Agency Leaders**



## **Optimize Workforce Strategies**

Make data-driven decisions on recruitment, retention, and development initiatives.



## Track employee engagement

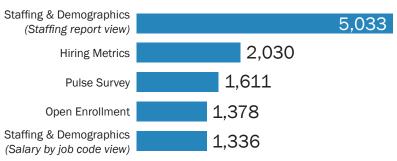
Understand employee engagement and job satisfaction and action plan to address areas of improvement.



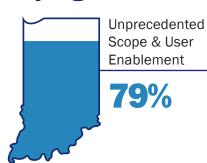
## **Drive Strategic Planning**

Gain insights to inform long-term workforce strategies.

## **Top 5 Accessed Dashboards**



# Statewide Adoption by Agencies



Unprecedented Agency Leader Access

Empowering over **440** Chiefs of Staff, Agency Heads & Deputies with HR data.

## Quote from an agency leader:

"I have set up four views of the Unemployment Insurance Operations Division to monitor staffing trends at an aggregate level and I use this data to stay ahead of trends. For example, the Employee Churn Report shows me that we have a significant amount of turnover in Q2 and Q3 each year, so we're now proactive in hiring at those times to combat this trend."

 Noah Shelton, Chief of Unemployment (dept. with approx. 500 employees)