



# State Support Team

## SLDS State Support Team: Target Teams

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# SST 101



# What is the State Support Team?



**Free help: technical assistance initiative of the SLDS program**

**We are not the Feds**

**Available to all states, regardless of SLDS grant status**

**Who are we?**

Experienced state data systems experts with expertise in early childhood, K12, postsecondary, and P-20W sectors

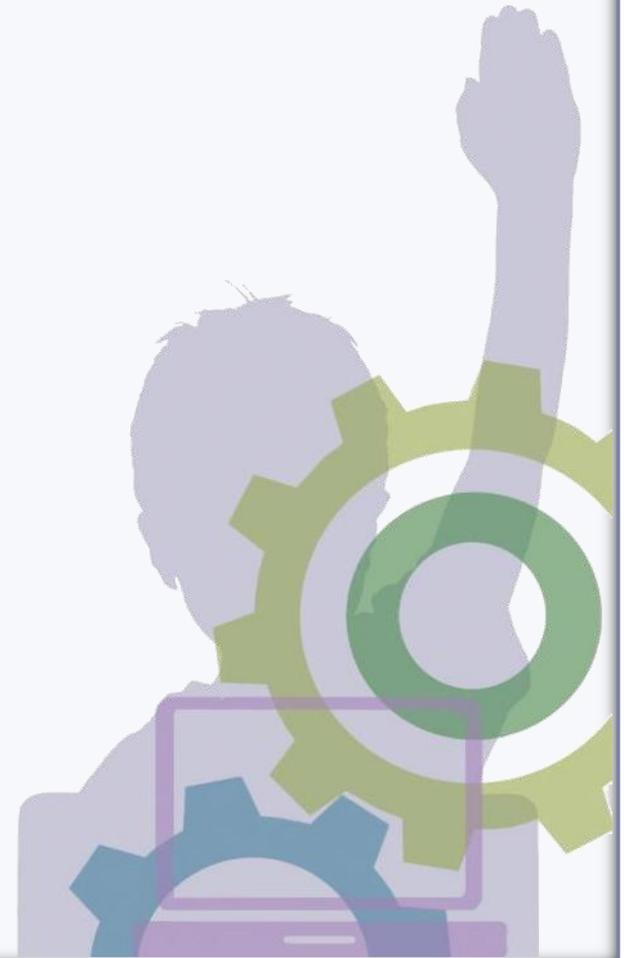
**What do we do?**

- Provide individual and group assistance to states addressing a host of SLDS-related issues
- Facilitate communication and collaboration across states working on similar issues; share best practices among states

## SST support can include areas such as:



- technical design
- P-20W data linkage
- collaboration with districts
- data governance/quality
- privacy/security
- state/district relationships
- master data management
- indicator development
- project management
- data use



# New Target Teams



# Target Teams:

Sustainability, Data Use, Stakeholder Engagement



**SST have created target teams to assist SLDS members with the following areas:**



**Target teams help SLDS encourage continued growth and supported decisionmaking**

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**Resources are being created to target these topics, including but not limited to:**

- Briefs
- Webinars
- Self-assessment tools
- Conference sessions

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**For more information or to suggest topics within these target teams, please contact the following SST member:**

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# TA Approach



# Technical Assistance Approach



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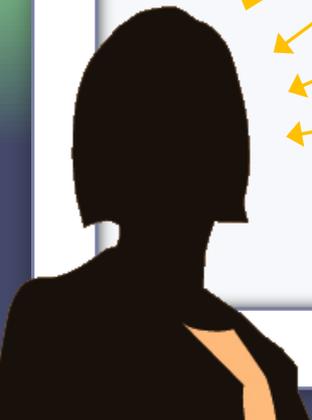
# Technical Assistance Approach



Each state (and territory) has a primary SST contact.

Each state's "go to" SST member:

- helps to identify needed resources
- works with you to develop & implement an individualized technical assistance plan
- engages other SST members as needed
- provides ongoing support



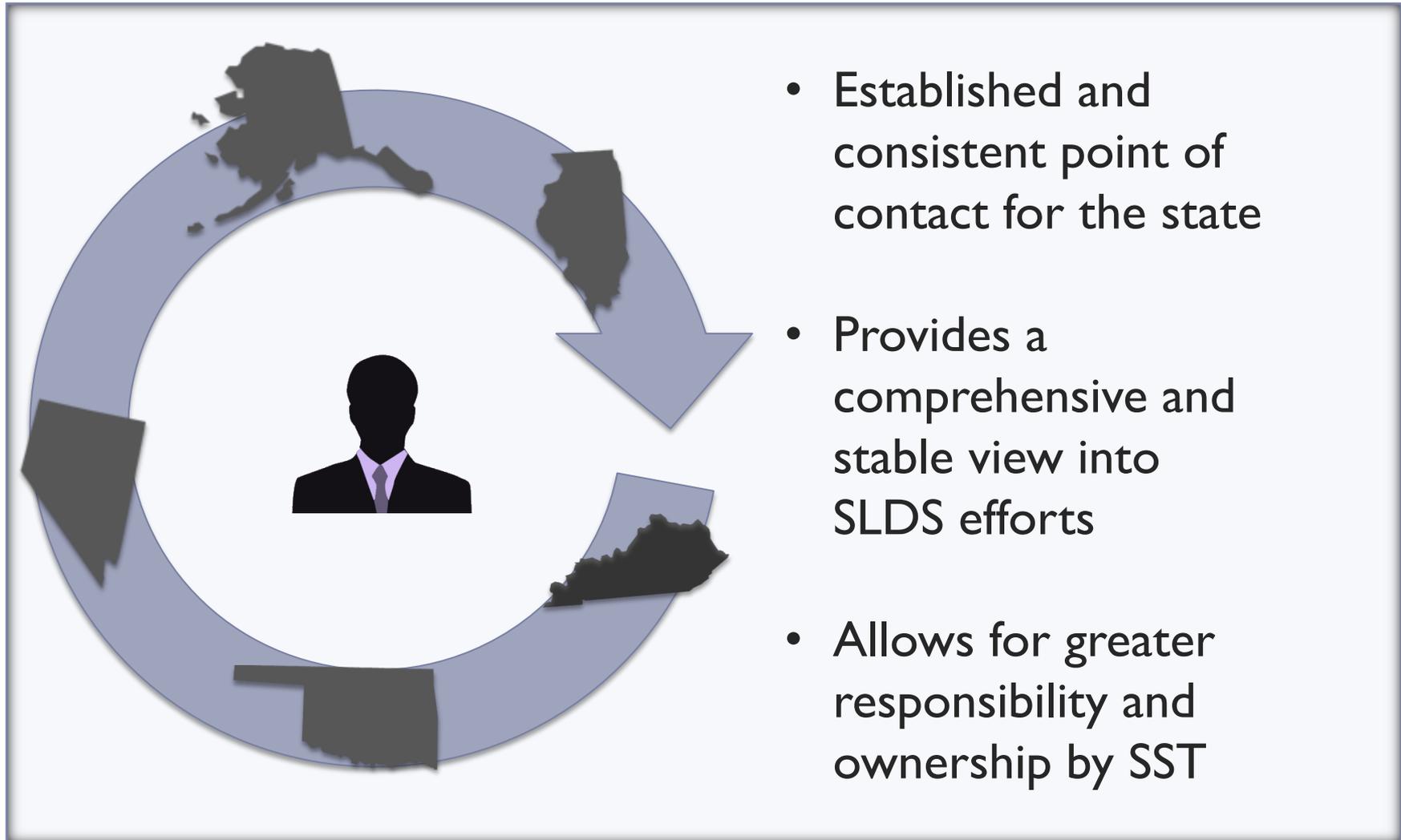
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- Established and consistent point of contact for the state
- Provides a comprehensive and stable view into SLDS efforts
- Allows for greater responsibility and ownership by SST

# Technical Assistance Approach



- SST fully engages with state
- Identifies current and projected areas of TA need
- Develops TA proposal

# Common Questions



- My state doesn't currently have a SLDS grant. Will we have a primary SST?

Yes! Every state/territory now has a primary SST member and will be contacted by that SST member to discuss their technical assistance needs and how SST can help address them.

- I'm currently working with an SST member. How will this change in approach affect that work?

Your state's primary SST member will coordinate with you and the SST you've been working with to ensure the current work fits within the comprehensive TA plan.

## Common Questions *(continued)*



- Can I still receive TA from an SST member who isn't my primary contact?

Yes. If you have a particular TA need that is best met by an SST member who is not your primary SST, your primary SST will work with you to identify the additional SST resources necessary to assist you.

- What if my state's needs change over the course of the year?

We expect that some needs will change over time. If new or revised needs arise, your primary SST will work with you to determine whether to revise the scope of the TA plan for your state.

# Questions from Participants



# State Support Team Update



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