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Hi Brooke.

We met at Data Council on Wednesday, when you first arrived, during our break. We chatted about the concern that our National Library of Medicine has regarding how the proposed guidelines would impact on such services as their Medline data base of the scientific literature. You noted that what would be of most use to you would be providing you with suggested wording. Is the following the kind of input you would be interested in receiving?

Under "V. Definitions" toward the end of the Federal Register notice, "2. Information" is defined as in A-130: "Information" means any communication or representation of knowledge such as facts, data, or opinions in any medium or form, including textual, numerical, graphic, cartographic, narrative, or audiovisual forms. The next sentence could be replaced with the following:

"This definition includes information that an agency disseminates from a web page, but does not include information that is not created by the agency. Such instances include hyperlinks to information others disseminate, scientific conference proceedings, library cataloging and distribution services, and databases of agency grantee abstracts."

Helpful?

Nice meeting you, and thanks for your help.

Tony Demsey