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Instructions


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Acronyms

ATO - Authorization to Operate
CAC - Common Access Card
FISMA - Federal Information Security Management Act
ISA - Information Sharing Agreement
HHS - Department of Health and Human Services
MOU - Memorandum of Understanding
NARA - National Archives and Record Administration
OMB - Office of Management and Budget
PIA - Privacy Impact Assessment
PII - Personally Identifiable Information
POC - Point of Contact
PTA - Privacy Threshold Assessment
SORN - System of Records Notice
SSN - Social Security Number
URL - Uniform Resource Locator

General Information

PIA Name:	OS - ASTP Website - QTR2 - 2025 - OS2689165	PIA ID:	3249823
Name of Component:	OS - ASTP WordPress VIP	Name of ATO Boundary:	ASTP WordPress VIP
Overall Status:		PIA Queue:	
Submitter:		# Days Open:	55
Submission Status:	Submitted	Submit Date:	6/6/2025
Next Assessment Date:	N/A	Expiration Date:	6/23/2028
Office:		OPDIV:	OS
Security Categorization:	Moderate	OpDiv PIA ID:	OS2689165
Legacy PIA ID:		Make PIA available to Public?:	No
1:	Identify the Enterprise Performance Lifecycle Phase of the system.		Initiation
2:	Is this a FISMA-Reportable system?		Yes
3:	Does the system have or is it covered by a Security Authorization to Operate (ATO)?		No
4:	ATO Date or Planned ATO Date.		
5:	Is the system or electronic information collection, agency or contractor operated?		Contractor

PTA

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PTA - 2:	Indicate the following reason(s) for this PTA. Choose from the following options.	New
PTA - 2A:	Describe in further detail any changes to the system that have occurred since the last PIA.	
PTA - 3:	Is the data contained in the system owned by the agency or contractor?	Agency
PTA - 4:	Please give a brief overview and purpose of the system by describing what the functions of the system are and how the system carries out those functions.	The purpose of the new ASTP WordPress VIP information system will involve the redesign of the Assistant Secretary for Technology Policy (ASTP) website, transitioning it from the legacy healthit.gov platform to a new FedRAMP approved WordPress VIP moderate Software-as-a-Service instance. This aims to modernize the website, enhance usability, and improve its security posture by developing the site within a moderate security environment. It will enhance communication, collaboration, and accessibility for all stakeholders across the health system, ensuring compliance with federal mandates while supporting ASTP's role as the principal federal entity coordinating health IT efforts.

PTA - 5:	List and/or describe all the types of information that are collected (into), maintained, and/or shared in the system regardless of whether that information is PII and how long that information is stored.	Public User: Name and email address . The information is stored indefinitely.
PTA - 5A:	Are user credentials used to access the system?	Yes, but the user credentials are maintained in a separate system (e.g., AD, AMS) and not collected or maintained by this system. The system providing credentials is
PTA - 5B:	Please identify the type of user credentials used to access the system.	HHS User Credentials HHS Email Address HHS Username Password Non-HHS User Credentials Username Password Email Address
PTA - 6:	Describe why all types of information is collected (into), maintained, and/or shared with another system. This description should specify what information is collected about each category of individual.	The public user has the option to provide their email address on feedback forms within the site for the purpose of getting a response to their question or comment.
PTA - 7:	Does the system collect, maintain, use or share PII?	Yes
PTA - 7A:	Does this include Sensitive PII as defined by HHS?	No
PTA - 8:	Does the system include a website or online application?	Yes
PTA - 8A:	Are any of the URLs listed accessible by the general public (to include publicly accessible log in and internet websites/online applications)?	Yes
PTA - 9:	Describe the purpose of the website, who has access to it, and how users access the web site (via public URL, log in, etc.). Please address each element in your response.	The purpose of this congressional mandated website is to provide information about Health IT implementation and regulations to policy makers at the federal state and local level, healthcare providers, and patients. It is accessible through our public URL astp.hhs.gov .
PTA - 10:	Does the website have a posted privacy notice?	Yes
PTA - 11:	Does the website contain links to non-federal government websites external to HHS?	Yes
PTA - 11A:	Is a disclaimer notice provided to users that follow external links to websites not owned or operated by HHS?	Yes
PTA - 12:	Does the website use web measurement and customization technology?	Yes
PTA - 12A:	Select the type(s) of website measurement and customization technologies in use and if it is used to collect PII.	Session Cookies - Does Not Collect PII
PTA - 13:	Does the website have any information or pages directed at children under the age of thirteen?	No
PTA - 13A:	Does the website collect PII from children under the age thirteen?	
PTA - 13B:	Is there a unique privacy policy for the website and does the unique privacy policy address the process for obtaining parental consent if any information is collected?	
PTA - 14:	Does the system have a mobile application?	No

PTA - 14A:	Is the mobile application HHS developed and managed or a third-party application?	
PTA - 15:	Describe the purpose of the mobile application, who has access to it, and how users access it. Please address each element in your response.	
PTA - 16:	Does the mobile application/ have a privacy notice?	
PTA - 17:	Does the mobile application contain links to non-federal government websites external to HHS?	
PTA - 17A:	Is a disclaimer notice provided to users that follow external links to resources not owned or operated by HHS?	
PTA - 18:	Does the mobile application use measurement and customization technology?	
PTA - 18A:	Describe the type(s) of measurement and customization technologies or techniques in use and what information is collected.	
PTA - 19:	Does the mobile application have any information or pages directed at children under the age of thirteen?	
PTA - 19A:	Does the mobile application collect PII from children under the age thirteen?	
PTA - 19B:	Is there a unique privacy policy for the mobile application and does the unique privacy policy address the process for obtaining parental consent if any information is collected?	
PTA - 20:	Is there a third-party website or application (TPWA) associated with the system?	Yes
PTA - 21:	Does this system use artificial intelligence (AI) tools or technologies?	No

PIA

PIA

PIA - 1:	Indicate the type(s) of personally identifiable information (PII) that the system will collect, maintain, or share.	Name Email Address
PIA - 2:	Indicate the categories of individuals about whom PII is collected, maintained or shared.	Employees/ HHS Direct Contractors Members of the public
PIA - 3:	Indicate the approximate number of individuals whose PII is maintained in the system.	51 - 200
PIA - 4:	For what primary purpose is the PII used?	The intent is to collect information for Assistant Secretary for Technology Policy (ASTP) personnel to answer questions or to provide feedback to the public via email.
PIA - 5:	Describe any secondary uses for which the PII will be used (e.g. testing, training or research).	N/A
PIA - 6:	Describe the function of the SSN, Truncated SSN, and/or Taxpayer ID.	
PIA - 6A:	Cite the legal authority to use the SSN, Truncated SSN, and/or Taxpayer ID.	
PIA - 7:	Identify legal authorities governing information use and disclosure specific to the system and program.	H.R.34 - 21st Century Cures Act
PIA - 8:	Are records in the system retrieved by one or more PII data elements?	No
PIA - 8A:	Please specify which PII data elements are used to retrieve records.	
PIA - 8B:	Provide the number, title, and URL of the Privacy Act System of Records Notice (SORN) that is being used to cover the system or indicate whether a new or revised SORN is in development.	

PIA - 9:	Identify the sources of PII in the system.	Directly from an individual about whom the information pertains Online Non-Government Sources Members of the Public
PIA - 10:	Is there an Office of Management and Budget (OMB) information collection approval number?	No
PIA - 10A:	Provide the information collection approval number.	
PIA - 10B:	Identify the OMB information collection approval number expiration date.	
PIA - 10C:	Explain why an OMB information collection approval number is not required.	Data collected does not reach the level of Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) requirements.
PIA - 11:	Is the PII shared with other organizations outside the system's Operating Division?	No
PIA - 11A:	Identify with whom the PII is shared or disclosed.	Within HHS
PIA - 11B:	Please provide the purpose(s) for the disclosures described in PIA - 11A.	
PIA - 11C:	List any agreements in place that authorizes the information sharing or disclosure (e.g., Computer Matching Agreement (CMA), Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), or Information Sharing Agreement (ISA)).	
PIA - 11D:	Describe process and procedures for logging/tracking/accounting for the sharing and/or disclosing of PII. If no process or procedures are in place, please explain why not.	
PIA - 12:	Is the submission of PII by individuals voluntary or mandatory?	Voluntary
PIA - 12A:	If PII submission is mandatory, provide the specific legal requirement that requires individuals to provide information or face potential civil or criminal penalties.	
PIA - 13:	Describe the method for notifying individuals that their information will be collected and how they can opt-out of the collection or use of their PII. If there is no option to object to the information collection, provide a reason.	There is no opt-out option for the collection or use of PII because providing PII is not required for submissions. It is entirely up to the individuals submitting a inquiry to determine if they need to include PII.
PIA - 14:	Describe the process to notify and obtain consent from the individuals whose PII is in the system when major changes occur to the system (e.g., disclosure and/or data uses have changed since the notice at the time of original collection). Alternatively, describe why they cannot be notified or have their consent obtained.	The core functionality of the system is enabled by a web form that helps users of the system submit information. During the submission process, the system will not let the users submit information to the system unless the user checks the option "I agree to the ASTP's privacy policy". The words "ASTP's privacy policy" is a hyperlink that directs the users to a public page that describes all the privacy, data collection and sharing policies.
PIA - 15:	Describe the process in place to resolve an individual's concerns when they believe their PII has been inappropriately obtained, used, or disclosed, or that the PII is inaccurate. If no process exists, explain why not.	No formal process exists, but if a public user's email address or name is used without their knowledge or is inaccurate, the user could use the same form that was submitted with their email address and name to correct or have the erroneous data removed.

PIA - 16:	Describe the process in place for periodic reviews of PII contained in the system to ensure the data's integrity, availability, accuracy and relevancy. Please address each element in your response. If no processes are in place, explain why not.	No process in place. The system is not designed to ensure the accuracy of the PII/PHI provided by individuals. There is no function for PII/PHI integrity built into the system. Individuals are responsible for ensuring the accuracy of any information submitted as a part of their inquiry.
PIA - 17:	Identify who will have access to the PII in the system.	Users Administrators Contractors
PIA - 17A:	Select the type of contractor.	HHS/OpDiv Direct Contractors
PIA - 17B:	Do contracts include Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) and other appropriate clauses ensuring adherence to privacy provisions and practices?	Yes
PIA - 18:	Provide the reason why each of the groups identified in PIA - 17 needs access to PII.	Contractors (Administrators) are required to access PII for administration of the system environment and inquiries of the website. ASTP Staff (Users/Administrators) are required to access for responding to the public's inquiries for information or to answer questions.
PIA - 19:	Describe the administrative procedures in place to determine which system users (administrators, developers, contractors, etc.) may access PII.	The only users who will have access to the PII information will ASTP Staff and contractor's Staff authorized by ASTP Contracting Officer's Representative (COR). For a new ASTP user to obtain access, the COR of the project must submit a request/elevate access ticket to the system administrators. Before submitting the access request, the COR will also ensure that user has completed required trainings and has the appropriate clearance required to obtain access. For a new contracting staff to obtain access, the system administrators will submit formal request for approval via email and ticket to the COR. Before submitting the ticket, administrators of the system will ensure that the new staff member has completed all the required trainings and cleared the background check initiated by contractor's internal security and compliance team.
PIA - 20:	Describe the technical methods in place to allow those with access to PII to only access the minimum amount of information necessary to perform their job.	The access management in the system is performed using users role permissions of WordPress VIP. For the personnel needing access to PII, a detailed access request will be initiated by the COR. Based on the information provided by the approved authority, the administrators will add the new user to appropriate user group and set proper issue security schemes to allow access to only necessary information required to perform their job.

PIA - 21:	Identify the general security and privacy awareness training provided to system users (system owners, managers, operators, contractors and/or program managers) using the system to make them aware of their responsibilities for protecting the information being collected and maintained.	Onboarding of new employees is provided as well as access to Help Guides for those interacting with the system. As updates are made, further webinar training is provided on an as-needed basis.
PIA - 22:	Describe the training system users receive (above and beyond general security and privacy awareness training).	ASTP users and contractors do not receive any additional security or privacy training other than what's required by the ASTP and HHS.
PIA - 23:	Describe the process and guidelines in place with regard to the retention and destruction of PII. Cite specific National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) records retention schedule(s) and include the retention period(s).	<p>Destruction of PII will be performed in accordance with NIST SP 800-88, Guidelines for Media Sanitization. ASTP WordPress VIP (WP VIP) follows HHS's policy for records management, which can be found here: https://www.hhs.gov/web/governance/digital-strategy/it-policy-archive/hhs-ocio-policy-forrecords-management.html. As WP VIP serves as a system of record, the WP VIP system retains all data in perpetuity, only archiving and not destroying any data in the system.</p> <p>General Records Schedule (GRS) 3.2 Item 030, Disposition Authority: DAA-GRS-2013-0006-0003. Destroy when business use ceases.</p>
PIA - 24:	Describe how the PII will be secured in the system using administrative, technical, and physical controls. Please address each element in your response.	<p>Administrative: PII policies will be outlined in help guides and training of personnel using system. New access requests to the PII will be thoroughly reviewed as per the prescribed access management policy.</p> <p>Technical/Physical: The data at rest is stored in the FedRAMP approved WordPress VIP Moderate Software-as-a-Service system's cloud storage.</p>

Review & Comments

Privacy Analyst Review

OpDiv Privacy Analyst Review Status:	Approved	Privacy Analyst Review Date:	6/6/2025
Privacy Analyst Comments:	Re-approving after a potential sync issue. This PIA is ready for your review. All necessary questions have been answered. The requested updates have been made to the assessment. Thank you, Jon	Privacy Analyst Days Open:	

SOP Review

SOP Review Status:	Approved	SOP Signature:	
SOP Comments:		SOP Review Date:	6/6/2025
		SOP Days Open:	0

Agency Privacy Analyst Review

Agency Privacy Analyst Review Status:	Approved	Agency Privacy Analyst Review Date:	6/12/2025
Agency Privacy Analyst Review Comments:	Reviewer: Shanai Shobowale 6/12/2025 All comments were addressed. This PIA is ready for SAOP review and approval. 6/5/2025 Please see comments and update accordingly. PIA-17: Per PIA-19, Users of the system also include ASTP Staff, please select "Users/Administrators" which ever is applicable. PIA-18: Provide the reason was User/Administrator (ASTP Staff) has access to PII.	Agency Privacy Analyst Days Open:	6

SAOP Review

SAOP Review Status:	Approved	SAOP Signature:	Archer Signature_Bridget Guenther.docx
SAOP Comments:		SAOP Review Date:	6/24/2025
		SAOP Days Open:	12

Supporting Document(s)

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Comments

Question Name	Submitter	Date	Comment	Attachment
PIA - 11C	Data Feed Service, piafrmos_Release	5/15/2025	If the sharing of PII is subject to one or more agreements, describe the agreements and the sharing and disclosures permitted under those agreements. If the sharing is not subject to an agreement, explain what sharing and disclosures and why no agreement is required. Please update your response since you indicated in PIA-11A that PII is shared.	
PIA - 4	Data Feed Service, piafrmos_Release	5/16/2025	Please spell/define ASTP on first use.	
PIA - 11B	Data Feed Service, piafrmos_Release	5/16/2025	Please spell/define OpDivs on first use.	
PIA - 11D	Data Feed Service, piafrmos_Release	5/16/2025	Please spell/define ONC and COR on first use.	
PIA - 15	Data Feed Service, piafrmos_Release	5/16/2025	Please include the name of the office that would handle these concerns; how individuals may raise questions or concerns; and how concerns will be considered, investigated, and resolved.	
PIA - 11	Data Feed Service, piafrmos_Release	5/27/2025	After discussion with the system owner, this question was updated to "NO" as the email address and name will not leave ASTP.	
PIA - 17	BLAND, CRYSTAL	6/5/2025	Per PIA-19, Users of the system also include ASTP Staff, please select "Users/Administrators" which ever is applicable.	
PIA - 18	BLAND, CRYSTAL	6/5/2025	Provide the reason was User/Administrator (ASTP Staff) has access to PII.	

Admin Section

Is OpDiv Privacy Analyst Approved ?:	1	Is OpDiv Privacy Analyst Return ? :	0
		Is SOP Return ?:	0
Is Agency Privacy Analyst Approve ?:	1	Is Agency Privacy Analyst Return ?:	0
Is SAOP Approved?:	1	Is SAOP Return ?:	0
Total Approved:	4	Total Return:	0
Total Approval Required:	4		

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