

US EPA's Quality Directives

Establish policy and program requirements for the Agency's Quality Program.

Define the minimum requirements for Quality Programs supporting EPA and partners.

Establish management principles and responsibilities for ensuring EPA environmental information operations:

- Meet Agency quality-related requirements
- Sufficient quality for their intended use
- Support EPA's mission to protect human health and the environment.

US EPA's Quality Directives (Roles)



EPA Quality Assurance Managers (QAMs) or designees:

Have delegated authority for the management of the Quality Program as described in their organization's QMP.

Agency Personnel: Perform work associated with environmental information operations as identified in their organization's QMP.

Recipients of Extramural Agreements: Perform all environmental information operations in accordance with this Policy's requirements as defined by federal laws, regulations, and their extramural agreements. The agreement terms and conditions may also specify applicability of the EPA lead organization's QMP.

US EPA's Quality Directives (Links)

Quality Policy

Quality Procedure

Request for Review and Comment -Approximate Timeline



April 2021

Quality Directives Finalized

Agency pivots to:

- 1) Developing Training Materials
- 2) Updating Guidance Documents



August 2021

EPA Internal Review of Updated Quality Management Plan (QMP) Guidance



October 2021 and Beyond

QA Training at R9 Annual Conference

Review and Comment Period for Updated Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) Guidance

Regions provide comments on Quality Assurance Terms & Conditions for Grants

June 2021

Tribe and State Partners Review and Commenton Quality Management
Plan (QMP) Guidance







Please Participate in Commenting!

- Quality Management Plan (QMP) Guidance [R-2]
- Quality Assurance Project
 Plan (QAPP) Guidance [R-5]
- Data Quality Objectives Guidance [G-5]

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