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1. INTRODUCTION

The USAID Privacy Office is using this Privacy Threshold Analysis (PTA) Template to gather information from program managers and system owners in order to discover any information privacy issues.

The PTA process should accomplish two goals: 1) determine whether a particular program will encounter any information privacy risks as it performs its functions; and 2) identify whether the program needs to comply with any privacy protection requirements pursuant to federal privacy statutes, regulations, and other authorities.

Type *Not Applicable* in the answer boxes for those questions that do not apply to your system and explain why the question is not applicable. Each section includes assistance (in blue text) on how to answer the question. For additional instructions how to complete this PTA Template, please see Appendix C Conducting the PTA.

If you have questions about or would like assistance with this PTA Template, the PTA process, or other privacy compliance requirements, please contact the USAID Privacy Office at privacy@usaid.gov.

2. CONTACT INFORMATION AND APPROVAL SIGNATURES

PROGRAM MANAGER
Name: Title: Office Name: Office Phone #: E-Mail:

SYSTEM OWNER
Name: Title: Office Name: Office Phone #: E-Mail:
Signature Date: Click here to enter a date.
Signature:

PRIVACY ANALYST
Name: Title: Office Name: Privacy Office (M/CIO/IA/PO) Office Phone #: E-Mail:
Signature Date: Click here to enter a date.
Signature:

3. PTA INFORMATION

3.1 PROGRAM INFORMATION

3.1.1 Describe the program and its purpose.
Click here to enter text.
Provide a general description of the program. The description should include the purpose of the program and how it supports a USAID business function. Describe the way the program operates to achieve its purpose, and any interconnections with other programs. Provide information on where the program operates, such as locally, stateside, overseas, or worldwide. Describe the types of information that you use, and explain why and how you use the information. The description should be as comprehensive as necessary to assist the public in understanding the program fully.
AP-2 Purpose Specification

3.1.2 What types of paper documents, systems, electronic media, digital collaboration tools or services, and/or mobile services do you employ to collect, use, maintain, and disseminate information?
Click here to enter text.
Provide a general description of the paper documents, information systems, and/or electronic media that the program uses to meet its goals and objectives. The description should show who uses the information, how the information moves within the program, how information is transmitted to and from the program, and how the information is stored. The description should be as comprehensive as necessary to assist the public in understanding fully the ways and means information flows as the program functions. For this purpose, <i>system</i> means any equipment, software or interconnected system or subsystem that is used in the automatic acquisition, storage, manipulation, management, movement, control, display, switching, interchange, transmission, or reception of data or information. <i>Digital</i> refers generally to data in electronic or other non-paper format, such as internet sites, platforms, software, applications, databases, devices, and other electronic information technologies that an agency may sponsor or use to promote digital collaboration, participation, and transparency. <i>Mobile</i> denotes data access, processing, communications, and storage by users in a dynamically located, real-time fashion, typically through portable devices and remote platforms.
SE-1 Inventory of Personally Identifiable Information

3.1.3 How do you retrieve information?
Click here to enter text.
Describe how you retrieve information from where you store it. Describe whether you retrieve information by name

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3.1.3 How do you retrieve information?
<p>of the individual or by some identifying number, symbol, or other identifying particular, provide a detailed description of the identifiers or retrieval elements.</p> <p>You might store paper forms in a filing cabinet and retrieve it by name of the person who submitted the form or by date of submission. You might search a database using the name of the country where USAID is supporting several projects. You might search for a document in MS Word or Google Docs by the name of the project on which you are working.</p>
TR-2 System of Records Notices and Privacy Act Statements

3.2 INFORMATION COLLECTION, USE, MAINTENANCE, AND DISSEMINATION

3.2.1 What types of personally identifiable information (PII) do you collect, use, maintain, or disseminate?
<i>(Please check all that apply. If you choose Other, please list the additional types of PII.)</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Name, Former Name, or Alias
<input type="checkbox"/> Mother's Maiden Name
<input type="checkbox"/> Social Security Number or Truncated SSN
<input type="checkbox"/> Date of Birth
<input type="checkbox"/> Place of Birth
<input type="checkbox"/> Home Address
<input type="checkbox"/> Home Phone Number
<input type="checkbox"/> Personal Cell Phone Number
<input type="checkbox"/> Personal E-Mail Address
<input type="checkbox"/> Work Phone Number
<input type="checkbox"/> Work E-Mail Address
<input type="checkbox"/> Driver's License Number
<input type="checkbox"/> Passport Number or Green Card Number
<input type="checkbox"/> Employee Number or Other Employee Identifier
<input type="checkbox"/> Tax Identification Number
<input type="checkbox"/> Credit Card Number or Other Financial Account Number
<input type="checkbox"/> Patient Identification Number
<input type="checkbox"/> Employment or Salary Record

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3.2.1 What types of personally identifiable information (PII) do you collect, use, maintain, or disseminate?
<i>(Please check all that apply. If you choose Other, please list the additional types of PII.)</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Medical Record
<input type="checkbox"/> Criminal Record
<input type="checkbox"/> Military Record
<input type="checkbox"/> Financial Record
<input type="checkbox"/> Education Record
<input type="checkbox"/> Biometric Record (signature, fingerprint, photograph, voice print, physical movement, DNA marker, retinal scan, etc.)
<input type="checkbox"/> Sex or Gender
<input type="checkbox"/> Age
<input type="checkbox"/> Other Physical Characteristic (eye color, hair color, height, tattoo)
<input type="checkbox"/> Sexual Orientation
<input type="checkbox"/> Marital status or Family Information
<input type="checkbox"/> Race or Ethnicity
<input type="checkbox"/> Religion
<input type="checkbox"/> Citizenship
<input type="checkbox"/> Other: Click here to enter text.
<input type="checkbox"/> None
<p><i>Personally Identifiable Information (PII)</i> means information which can be used to distinguish or trace an individual's identity, such as their name, social security number, biometric records, etc. alone, or when combined with other personal or identifying information which is linked or linkable to a specific individual, such as date and place of birth, mother's maiden name, etc.</p> <p>The definition of PII is not anchored to any single category of information or technology. Rather, it requires a case-by-case assessment of the specific risk that an individual can be identified. In performing this assessment, it is important for an agency to recognize that non-PII can become PII whenever additional information is made publicly available — in any medium and from any source — that, when combined with other available information, could be used to identify an individual.</p>
SE-1 Inventory of Personally Identifiable Information

3.2.2 About what types of people do you collect, use, maintain, or disseminate personal information?
<i>(Please check all that apply. If you choose Other, please provide the types of people.)</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Citizens of the United States
<input type="checkbox"/> Aliens lawfully admitted to the United States for permanent residence
<input type="checkbox"/> USAID employees, including Foreign Service National (FSN) Direct Hires, FSN Personal Services Contractors, and Third Country National Employees
<input type="checkbox"/> Employees of USAID contractors or service providers
<input type="checkbox"/> Visitors to the United States
<input type="checkbox"/> Aliens
<input type="checkbox"/> Business Owners or Executives
<input type="checkbox"/> Others: Click here to enter text.
AP-1 Authority to Collect

3.2.3 What types of device, website, or platform related data associated with digital or mobile programs or services do you collect, use, maintain, or disseminate?
<i>(Please check all that apply. If you choose Other, please provide the types of data.)</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Log Data (IP address, time, date, referrer site, browser type)
<input type="checkbox"/> Tracking Data (single- or multi-session cookies, beacons)
<input type="checkbox"/> Form Data
<input type="checkbox"/> User Names
<input type="checkbox"/> Passwords
<input type="checkbox"/> Unique Device Identifier
<input type="checkbox"/> Location or GPS Data
<input type="checkbox"/> Camera Controls (photo, video, videoconference)
<input type="checkbox"/> Microphone Controls
<input type="checkbox"/> Other Hardware or Software Controls
<input type="checkbox"/> Photo Data
<input type="checkbox"/> Audio or Sound Data
<input type="checkbox"/> Other Device Sensor Controls or Data

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3.2.3 What types of device, website, or platform related data associated with digital or mobile programs or services do you collect, use, maintain, or disseminate?
<i>(Please check all that apply. If you choose Other, please provide the types of data.)</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> On/Off Status and Controls
<input type="checkbox"/> Cell Tower Records (logs, user location, time, date)
<input type="checkbox"/> Data Collected by Apps (itemize)
<input type="checkbox"/> Contact List and Directories
<input type="checkbox"/> Biometric Data or Related Data
<input type="checkbox"/> SD Card or Other Stored Data
<input type="checkbox"/> Network Status
<input type="checkbox"/> Network Communications Data
<input type="checkbox"/> Device Settings or Preferences (security, sharing, status)
<input type="checkbox"/> Other: Click here to enter text.
<input type="checkbox"/> None
AR-2 Privacy Impact and Risk Assessment SE-1 Inventory of Personally Identifiable Information

3.2.4 What PII, digital data, or mobile data <i>could be</i> made available to USAID or its contractors and service providers?
Click here to enter text.
<p>The use of third-party websites and applications, digital collaboration services, mobile services, and other new technologies can increase privacy risks significantly, because these technologies can make PII available even when USAID does not purposefully collect it.</p> <p>Describe the specific types of PII and data your technology makes available to USAID. Also, describe separately the specific types of PII and data your technology makes available to contractors and service providers. Please refer to Question 3.2.1 for specific types of PII and Question 3.2.2 for specific types of digital and mobile related data.</p> <p><i>Make PII available</i> includes any agency action that causes PII to become available or accessible to the agency, whether or not the agency solicits or collects it. In general, an individual can make PII available to an agency when he or she provides, submits, communicates, links, posts, or associates PII while using the website or application. “Associate” can include activities commonly referred to as “friending,” “following,” “liking,” joining a “group,” becoming a “fan,” and comparable functions.</p>
DM-1 Minimization of Personally Identifiable Information

3.2.5 What are the authorities that permit you to collect, use, maintain, or disseminate PII and, specifically, Social Security Numbers (SSNs)?

Click here to enter text.

Please provide the name and citation for each statute, regulation, policy, and other authority (such as Executive Orders, OMB policies, NIST guidance) that authorize you to collect, use, maintain, and disseminate PII. Also include any Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) that allow or require you to collect, use, maintain, and/or disseminate PII. Include also any internal USAID regulations, policies, memoranda, and other documents.

Please provide the name and citation for each statute, regulation, policy, and other authority that authorize you to collect, use, maintain, and disseminate SSNs, if you do so.

Describe how these authorities define the collection, use, maintenance, and dissemination of the PII or SSNs and relate to the program and system purpose.

AP-1 Authority to Collect

3.2.6 Who owns and/or controls the PII?

(Please check all that apply. Please provide the names of the specific organizations. If you choose Other, please provide the types of organizations and the name of each organization.)

USAID Office: Click here to enter text.

Another Federal Agency: Click here to enter text.

Contractor: Click here to enter text.

Cloud Computing Services Provider: Click here to enter text.

Third-Party Web Services Provider: Click here to enter text.

Mobile Services Provider: Click here to enter text.

Digital Collaboration Tools or Services Provider: Click here to enter text.

Other: Click here to enter text.

AR-3 Privacy Requirements for Contractors and Service Providers
UL-1 Internal Use

3.2.7 Who has access to the PII at USAID?

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Identify who within USAID, its contractors, and its service providers will have access to the PII. Describe what USAID offices and what types of USAID employees, contractors, and service providers have access to the PII. Also, include the level of access for each office and type of worker; that is, what PII to which they have access, the purpose of the access, and how they get access to the PII. Describe the procedures you use to determine which users may access the information and how you determine who has access.

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3.2.7 Who has access to the PII at USAID?

UL-1 Internal Use

3.2.8 With whom do you share the PII outside of USAID? And whether (and how, if applicable) you will be using the system or related web site or application to engage with the public?

Click here to enter text.

Discuss the sharing of PII outside USAID. Identify the name of each system, person, or federal agency outside of USAID with whom you share PII, what PII you share, the purpose of the sharing, and how you share the PII (such as on a case-by-case basis, US mail, bulk transfer, or direct access).

Explain any use of the system or related web site or application that would make data assets available to the public, including 1) what data assets will be posted; 2) how the public will be able to interact with USAID; and 3) how the public will be able retrieve or use the data assets.

Person means any individual, partnership, association, corporation, business trust, or legal representative, an organized group of individuals, a State, territorial, tribal, or local government or branch thereof, or a political subdivision of a State, territory, tribal, or local government or a branch of a political subdivision.

UL-2 Information Sharing with Third Parties

3.3 SYSTEM INFORMATION

3.3.1 Describe the system and its purpose.

Click here to enter text.

Provide a general description of the system. The description should include the purpose of the system and how it supports the USAID program’s business function. Describe the way the system operates to achieve its purpose, how information is transmitted to and from the system, and any interconnections with other systems. Describe how the system will be used at USAID and provide information on where the system will be used, such as locally, stateside, overseas, or worldwide. Provide the system level, such as major application or general support system.

Examples of other information that should be included in the description, if applicable: New technology replacing a legacy system; system is a government-wide initiative or best practice; program is moving from a paper process to IT system; or the system has interdependencies on other systems.

The description should be as comprehensive as necessary to assist the public in understanding the system fully.

For this purpose, *system* means any equipment, software or interconnected system or subsystem that is used in the automatic acquisition, storage, manipulation, management, movement, control, display, switching, interchange, transmission, or reception of data or information.

AP-2 Purpose Specification

3.3.2 What type of system and/or technology is involved?
<i>(Please check all that apply. If you choose New Technology or Other, please explain.)</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Network
<input type="checkbox"/> Database
<input type="checkbox"/> Software
<input type="checkbox"/> Hardware
<input type="checkbox"/> Mobile Application or Platform
<input type="checkbox"/> Mobile Device Hardware (cameras, microphones, etc.)
<input type="checkbox"/> Quick Response (QR) Code (matrix geometric barcodes scanned by mobile devices)
<input type="checkbox"/> Wireless Network
<input type="checkbox"/> Social Media
<input type="checkbox"/> Advertising Platform
<input type="checkbox"/> Website or Webserver
<input type="checkbox"/> Web Application
<input type="checkbox"/> Third-Party Website or Application
<input type="checkbox"/> Geotagging (locational data embedded in photos and videos)
<input type="checkbox"/> Near Field Communications (NFC) (wireless communication where mobile devices connect without contact)
<input type="checkbox"/> Augmented Reality Devices (wearable computers, such as glasses or mobile devices, that augment perception)
<input type="checkbox"/> Facial Recognition
<input type="checkbox"/> Identity Authentication and Management
<input type="checkbox"/> Smart Grid
<input type="checkbox"/> Biometric Devices
<input type="checkbox"/> Bring Your Own Device (BYOD)
<input type="checkbox"/> Remote, Shared Data Storage and Processing (cloud computing services)
<input type="checkbox"/> Other: Click here to enter text.
<input type="checkbox"/> None
AR-2 Privacy Impact and Risk Assessment

3.3.3 What is the system status? <i>(If this is an existing Information Collection, please enter the OMB Control Number. If you choose Other, please explain.)</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> New System Development or Procurement
<input type="checkbox"/> Existing System Being Updated
<input type="checkbox"/> Existing Information Collection OMB Control Number: Click here to enter text.
<input type="checkbox"/> New Data Collection Form or Survey
<input type="checkbox"/> Request for Dataset to be Published on an External Website
<input type="checkbox"/> Other: Click here to enter text.
AR-2 Privacy Impact and Risk Assessment

3.3.4 Do you use new technology or technology used in ways not previously used by USAID? <i>(If you choose Yes, please provide the specifics of any new privacy risks and mitigation strategies.)</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> No.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes: Click here to enter text.
Describe the new technology or the way you use technology that is new to USAID. Describe how such new technology or uses will affect the risks to the PII in the system.
AR-2 Privacy Impact and Risk Assessment

3.3.5 Who owns and/or controls the system involved? <i>(Please check all that apply. Please provide the owners' and/or controllers' names for the items chosen.)</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> USAID Office: Click here to enter text.
<input type="checkbox"/> Another Federal Agency: Click here to enter text.
<input type="checkbox"/> Contractor: Click here to enter text.
<input type="checkbox"/> Cloud Computing Services Provider: Click here to enter text.
<input type="checkbox"/> Third-Party Website or Application Services Provider: Click here to enter text.
<input type="checkbox"/> Mobile Services Provider: Click here to enter text.
<input type="checkbox"/> Digital Collaboration Tools or Services Provider: Click here to enter text.
<input type="checkbox"/> Other: Click here to enter text.

3.3.5 Who owns and/or controls the system involved?

(Please check all that apply. Please provide the owners' and/or controllers' names for the items chosen.)

Cloud computing is remote, often shared, data storage and processing.

NIST defines cloud computing as a model for enabling ubiquitous, convenient, on-demand network access to a shared pool of configurable computing resources (e.g., networks, servers, storage, applications, and services) that can be rapidly provisioned and released with minimal management effort or service provider interaction. This cloud model is composed of five essential characteristics (on-demand self-service, broad network access, resource pooling, rapid elasticity, measured service), three service models (Software as a Service, Platform as a Service, Infrastructure as a Service), and four deployment models (private cloud, community cloud, public cloud, hybrid cloud).

Third-party website or application means web-based technologies that are not exclusively operated or controlled by a government entity. Often these technologies are located on a “.com” website or other location that is not part of an official government domain. However, third-party applications can also be embedded or incorporated on an agency’s official website.

AR-3 Privacy Requirements for Contractors and Service Providers
UL-1 Internal Use

3.3.6 Who is involved in the development and/or continuing operation of the system and/or technology?

(Please check all that apply. Please provide the owners' and/or controllers' names for the items chosen.)

Mobile device manufacturer or other equipment manufacturer: Click here to enter text.

Application Developer: Click here to enter text.

Content Developer or Publisher: Click here to enter text.

Wireless Carrier: Click here to enter text.

Advertiser: Click here to enter text.

Equipment or Device Vendor: Click here to enter text.

Device User: Click here to enter text.

Internet Service Provider: Click here to enter text.

Third-Party Data Source (Data Broker): Click here to enter text.

Other: Click here to enter text.

AR-3 Privacy Requirements for Contractors and Service Providers
UL-1 Internal Use



Please stop here and send this form to the Privacy Office at privacy@usaid.gov. The Privacy Office will review your information and contact you.

Click here to enter a date.

- If more information is needed, the Privacy Office will contact you with questions or will send you the appropriate form(s) to complete.
- If this PTA is ready for the approval process, the Privacy Office will send you this form to sign.

4. APPENDICES

4.1 APPENDIX A GLOSSARY

The following table describes terms and abbreviations used in this document.

Table 4-1 Glossary

Abbreviations	Description
ADS	USAID Automated Directives System
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CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
CIO	Chief Information Officer
Cloud Computing	Remote, often shared, data storage and processing. A model for enabling ubiquitous, convenient, on-demand network access to a shared pool of configurable computing resources (e.g., networks, servers, storage, applications, and services) that can be rapidly provisioned and released with minimal management effort or service provider interaction. This cloud model is composed of five essential characteristics (on-demand self-service, broad network access, resource pooling, rapid elasticity, measured service), three service models (Software as a Service, Platform as a Service, Infrastructure as a Service), and four deployment models (private cloud, community cloud, public cloud, hybrid cloud). (NIST SP 800-145)
D	Draft Version
Digital	Refers generally to data in electronic or other non-paper format, such as internet sites, platforms, software, applications, databases, devices, and other electronic information technologies that an agency may sponsor or use to promote digital collaboration, participation, and transparency
F	Final Version
FIPS PUB	NIST Federal Information Processing Standards Publication
FISMA	Federal Information Security Management Act
Foreign Service National Direct Hire (FSNDH) Employee	Means 1) a non-U.S. citizen employee hired by a USAID Mission abroad, whether full or part-time, intermittent or temporary, and inclusive of a Third Country National (TCN) who is paid under the local compensation plan (LCP), and 2) who was appointed under the authority of the Foreign Service Act of 1980.
Foreign Service National Personal Services Contractor (FSNPSC) Employee	Means 1) a non-U.S. citizen employee hired by a USAID Mission abroad, whether full or part-time, intermittent, or temporary, and inclusive of a Third Country National (TCN) who is paid under the local compensation plan (LCP), and 2) who entered in a contract pursuant to the AIDAR, Appendix J.
IA	Information Assurance
Individual	A citizen of the United States or an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence.
M	Memorandum or Bureau of Management
Make PII available	Includes any agency action that causes PII to become available or accessible to the agency, whether or not the agency solicits or collects it. In general, an individual can make PII available to an agency when he or she provides, submits, communicates, links, posts, or associates PII while using the website or application. “Associate” can include activities commonly referred to as “friending,” “following,” “liking,” joining a “group,” becoming a “fan,” and comparable functions.
Mobile	Denotes data access, processing, communications, and storage by users in a

Abbreviations	Description
	dynamically located, real-time fashion, typically through portable devices and remote platforms.
MOU	Memoranda of Understanding
NARA	National Archives and Records Administration
NIST	National Institute of Standards and Technology
OMB	Office of Management and Budget
Person	Any individual, partnership, association, corporation, business trust, or legal representative, an organized group of individuals, a State, territorial, tribal, or local government or branch thereof, or a political subdivision of a State, territory, tribal, or local government or a branch of a political subdivision. (44 USC 3502)
Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Information that directly identifies an individual. PII examples include name, address, social security number, or other identifying number or code, telephone number, and e- mail address. PII can also consist of a combination of indirect data elements such as gender, race, birth date, geographic indicator (e.g., zip code), and other descriptors used to identify specific individuals. The definition of PII is not anchored to any single category of information or technology. Rather, it requires a case-by-case assessment of the specific risk that an individual can be identified. In performing this assessment, it is important for an agency to recognize that non-PII can become PII whenever additional information is made publicly available — in any medium and from any source — that, when combined with other available information, could be used to identify an individual.
PIA	Privacy Impact Assessment
PII	Personally Identifiable Information
PO	Privacy Office
Privacy Impact Assessment	An analysis of how information is handled: 1) to ensure handling conforms to applicable legal, regulatory, and policy requirements regarding privacy, 2) to determine the risks and effects of collecting, maintaining and disseminating information in identifiable form in an electronic information system, and 3) to examine and evaluate protections and alternative processes for handling information to mitigate potential privacy risks.
Privacy Threshold Analysis	An analysis used to determine whether a program uses PII and whether any privacy requirements apply to the program’s collection, use, maintenance, and dissemination of PII.
Program Manager (PM)	Government official responsible and accountable for the conduct of a government program. A government program may be large (e.g., may provide U.S. assistance to other nations); it may also be a support activity such as the Agency's personnel or payroll program. (Chapters 508, 545, 552, 629)
PTA	Privacy Threshold Analysis
SORN	System of Records Notice
SP	NIST Special Publication
SSN	Social Security Number
System	For this purpose, means any equipment, software or interconnected system or subsystem that is used in the automatic acquisition, storage, manipulation, management, movement, control, display, switching, interchange, transmission, or reception of data or information.
System Owner (SO)	Individual responsible for daily program and operational management of their specific USAID system. System Owners are responsible for ensuring that a security plan is prepared, implementing the plan and monitoring its effectiveness. (Chapters 508 and 545)

Abbreviations	Description
Third Country National (TCN) Employee	An individual who is 1) neither a U.S. citizen nor a permanent legal resident alien of the United States nor a host-country citizen, and 2) eligible for return travel to the home country or country of recruitment at U.S. Government expense.
Third-Party Websites or Applications	Web-based technologies that are not exclusively operated or controlled by a government entity. Often these technologies are located on a “.com” website or other location that is not part of an official government domain. However, third-party applications can also be embedded or incorporated on an agency’s official website.
USAID	United States Agency for International Development
USC	United States Code

4.2 APPENDIX B CONDUCTING THE PTA

4.2.1 Background

USAID is required to protect PII against anticipated threats or hazards that could result in substantial harm, embarrassment, inconvenience, or unfairness to any individual on whom information is maintained and to USAID. PTAs provide information on how programs handle PII, so that USAID employees and contractors will be able to fulfill their requirement to protect PII against unauthorized access or disclosure by ensuring that only those people who have a clearly demonstrated need to know or use the information are given access.

The PTA is a risk-based analysis that enables USAID to determine whether a particular program will encounter any privacy risks during the conduct of USAID business functions. The PTA process is designed to be a cross-cutting tool to address the requirements of several different privacy laws and policies. A PTA should be conducted initially for each USAID program and thereafter periodically and before developing or changing any program information process, including any new or updated information system or information collection.

This PTA Template is being used to gather information from program managers, system owners, and information system security officers. The information provided will be used by the Privacy Analyst to analyze the privacy risks of the program.

If you have questions about or would like assistance with this PTA Template, the PTA process, or other privacy compliance requirements please contact the USAID Privacy Office at privacy@usaid.gov.

4.2.2 Using this Word Template

This PTA form is a fillable Word template, which means that you can fill in the information in the appropriate fields, save the document, and submit the PTA electronically as an e-mail attachment. To create a PTA Word document from this PTA Template, use the following steps:

1. Click on **File** and then **Save As**.

2. In the **Save As** window save your PTA using the name provided; just update the date and version number with D for draft.
3. Then select **Word Document (*.docx)** from the **Save as type:** drop-down list.

4.2.3 Completing the PTA Template

This PTA Template has various fields to be completed. First, fill in or update the fields on the Title Page, Headers and Footers, and Change History Page.

- Fill in or edit, if appropriate, the Program Name section on the title page. Update the Version number on the title page. The Approved date on the title page will be completed at the end of the process.
- Fill in the Program Name field in the Header, and the Date field in the Footer. The date in the Footer should be the date you send this PTA to the Privacy Office for review.
- Update the Change History page to reflect your new version of this PTA. The date in the Change History should be the date you send this PTA to the Privacy Office for review.

Complete the contact information in Section 2: Contact Information and Approval Signatures. Insert the appropriate Name, Title, Office Name, Office Phone Number, and E-Mail address for the Program Manager and System Owner.

Continue to Section 3: Information, and answer the questions.

4.2.4 Answering the Questions

When completing this template, please respond to each question as if speaking to a member of the general public who is learning of this system for the first time.

- Each question has an answer box. Some answer boxes are simple text boxes, while other answer boxes have items to select, as appropriate.
- When you see a box () , you will be able to click on it to create a check mark to choose that item. Please select all items that apply. You should be able to add explanatory remarks in the answer boxes.
- Each section includes assistance (in blue text) on how to answer the question.
- Answer each question fully and completely. Answer each question with sufficient detail to permit the Privacy Office to analyze the possible privacy issues.
- Type *Not Applicable* in the answer boxes for those questions that do not apply to your system and explain why the question is not applicable.
- Spell out each acronym the first time it is used in the PTA.

- Define technical terms or references, and keep in mind readers may not understand technical terms until they are explained.
- Use short and simple sentences.
- Use Spell Check and Grammar Check before submitting the PTA for approval.

4.2.5 Help Interpreting the Questions

Some questions provide choices, with the option to either pick one or pick all that apply. The questions that do not provide choices include explanations of the type of information that is required. At the end of each question, is a reference to the Privacy Controls, which provide more information on the topic. For more information on the Privacy Controls, please see [Appendix C Privacy Controls](#).

4.3 APPENDIX C PRIVACY CONTROLS

Appendix J: Privacy Control Catalog in NIST SP 800-53, Rev. 4, *Security and Privacy Controls for Federal Information Systems and Organizations* (April 2013). NIST SP 800-53, Rev. 4, is available [here](#).

Table 4-3 Privacy Controls

ID	Privacy Controls
AP Authority and Purpose	Ensures that USAID identifies the legal bases that authorize a particular PII collection or activity; and specifies in its notices the purposes for which PII is collected.
AP-1	Authority to Collect
AP-2	Purpose Specification
AR Accountability, Audit, and Risk Management	Enhances public confidence through effective controls for governance, monitoring, risk management, and assessment to demonstrate that USAID is complying with applicable privacy protection requirements and minimizing overall privacy risk.
AR-1	Governance and Privacy Program
AR-2	Privacy Impact and Risk Assessment
AR-3	Privacy Requirements for Contractors and Service Providers
AR-4	Privacy Monitoring and Auditing
AR-5	Privacy Awareness and Training
AR-6	Privacy Reporting
AR-7	Privacy-Enhanced System Design and Development
AR-8	Accounting of Disclosures
DI Data Quality and Integrity	Enhances public confidence that any PII collected and maintained by USAID is accurate, relevant, timely, and complete for the purpose for which it is to be used, as specified in public notices.
DI-1	Data Quality
DI-2	Data Integrity and Date Integrity Board
DM Data Minimization and Retention	Helps USAID to implement the data minimization and retention requirements to collect, use, and retain only PII that is relevant and necessary for the purpose for which it was originally collected. USAID retains PII for only as long as necessary to fulfill the purposes specified in public notices and in accordance with a National Archives and Records Administration (NARA)-approved record retention schedule.
DM-1	Minimization of Personally Identifiable Information
DM-2	Data Retention and Disposal
DM-3	Minimization of PII Used in Testing, Training, and Research
IP Individual Participation and Redress	Addresses the need to make individuals active participants in the decision-making process regarding the collection and use of their PII. By providing individuals with access to PII and the ability to have their PII corrected or amended, as appropriate, the controls in this family enhance public confidence in USAID decisions made based on the PII.
IP-1	Consent
IP-2	Individual Access
IP-3	Redress
IP-4	Complaint Management

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ID	Privacy Controls
SE Security	Supplements the security controls in Appendix F to ensure that technical, physical, and administrative safeguards are in place to protect PII collected or maintained by USAID against loss, unauthorized access, or disclosure, and to ensure that planning and responses to privacy incidents comply with OMB policies and guidance. The controls in this family are implemented in coordination with information security personnel and in accordance with the existing NIST Risk Management Framework.
SE-1	Inventory of Personally Identifiable Information
SE-2	Privacy Incident Response
TR Transparency	Ensures that USAID provides public notice of its information practices and the privacy impact of its programs and activities.
TR-1	Privacy Notice
TR-2	System of Records Notices and Privacy Act Statements
TR-3	Dissemination of Privacy Program Information
UL Use Limitation	Ensures that USAID only uses PII either as specified in its public notices, in a manner compatible with those specified purposes, or as otherwise permitted by law. Implementation of the controls in this family will ensure that the scope of PII use is limited accordingly.
UL-1	Internal Use
UL-2	Information Sharing with Third Parties

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