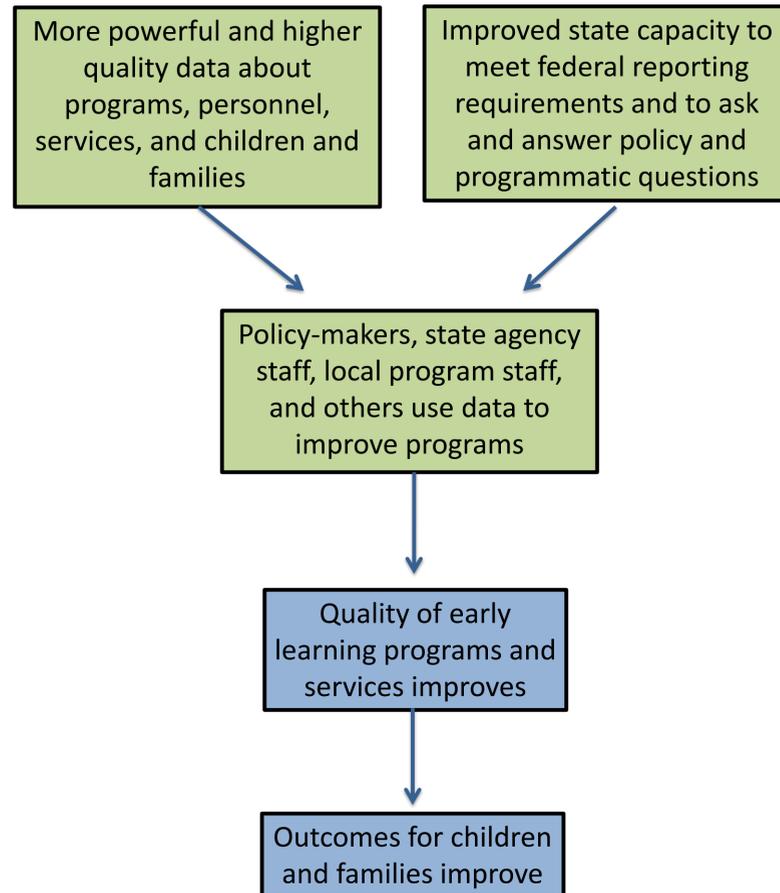


What is the DaSy Framework?

- * The DaSy framework is the data system component of the larger ECTA System Framework for Early Intervention (EI) and Early Childhood Special Education (ECSE).
- * It is designed to assist EI and ECSE state staff in developing and enhancing high-quality state data systems and in improving the quality of their Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) data.

Why are State Data Systems Important?



Development of the DaSy Framework

The DaSy framework was developed by the DaSy Center with extensive and essential input from state agency staff in seven partner states: Alaska, Arkansas, Connecticut, Georgia, Idaho, Massachusetts, and Pennsylvania.

What is the purpose of the DaSy framework?

The DaSy framework is intended to enhance the capacity of EI and ECSE state staff to

- * **understand** the characteristics of a good state data system so they can
- * **lead or actively participate** in state data system development efforts so they can
- * **use** their state data systems to comply with IDEA federal reporting requirements and answer important program and policy questions, which will
- * **enable** states to build better systems of services and programs that will improve outcomes for children with disabilities and their families.

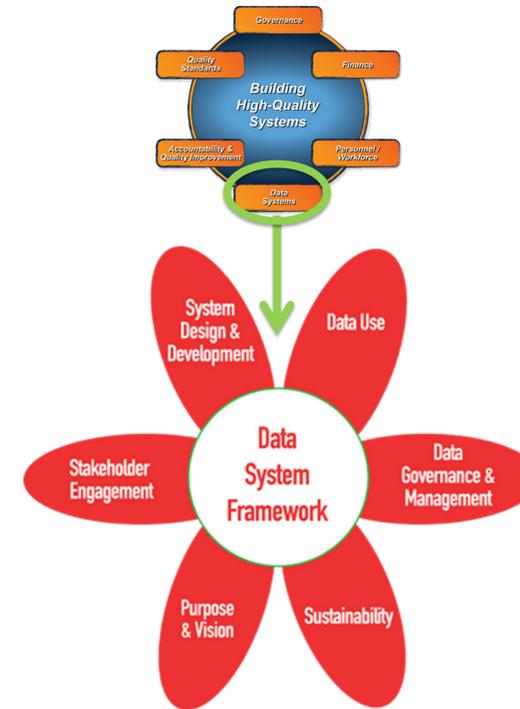
A high-quality system provides data for multiple purposes. As reflected in the DaSy framework, these purposes are:

- * **Accountability** – Federal and state reporting
- * **Program Improvement** – Identifying strengths and weaknesses, and improving results
- * **Program Operations** – Day-to-day management and operation of program activities

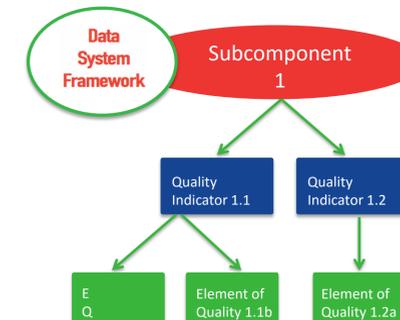
How is the DaSy Framework Structured?

The DaSy framework is organized around six subcomponents:

- Purpose and Vision
- Data Governance and Management
- Stakeholder Engagement
- System Design and Development
- Data Use
- Sustainability



Each of the framework's six subcomponents contains one or more quality indicators (QIs) and multiple elements of quality. The quality indicators describe **what** quality is in a data system, and the elements describe **how** that quality is achieved.



What are the DaSy Framework Subcomponents?



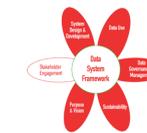
Subcomponent 1: Purpose and Vision (PV)

Purpose and Vision defines the mission and goals of the data system(s) serving Part C and Section 619.



Subcomponent 2: Data Governance and Management (DG)

Data Governance is both an organizational process and a structure. It establishes responsibility for data, organizing program staff to collaboratively and continuously improve data quality through the systematic creation and enforcement of policies, roles, responsibilities, and procedures.



Subcomponent 3: Stakeholder Engagement (SE)

Stakeholder Engagement is the use of a collaborative process to gather a wide range of input from stakeholders at every level of an organization or system.



Subcomponent 4: System Design and Development (SD)

System Design and Development characterizes the functional and technical requirements for a data system, and the development and implementation of a data system is then based on those requirements.



Subcomponent 5: Data Use (DU)

Data Use governs the ongoing use of quality Part C and Section 619 data for program accountability, program improvement, and program operations at state and local levels.



Subcomponent 6: Sustainability (SU)

Sustainability refers to the state's capacity to support the Part C and Section 619 data system over time to meet the program's evolving needs.