

## TRCC Meeting / NHTSA Traffic Records Assessment Kickoff Meeting

Tuesday, June 4, 2013

MS Public Safety Planning Office

1025 Northpark Dr

Ridgeland, MS

1:30 PM - 4:00 PM

Welcome and Introductions: What this meeting covers

Purpose of Assessment

Overview of the Traffic Records Assessment Process

Procedures Manual for State Traffic Records Assessments

Roles and responsibilities of State Assessment Coordinator

Roles and responsibilities of Assessment Facilitator

Roles and responsibilities of State Traffic Records Responders

Roles and responsibilities of Assessors

State Traffic Records Assessment Program (STRAP) system

Phase I      Responders answer questions from the Advisory  
Assessors begin rating answers; ask for clarifications if needed

Phase II      Responders clarify answers and provide missing answers (if any)  
Assessors complete ratings and rank evidence provided

Phase III      State Assessment Coordinator reviews assessor conclusions  
and clarifies any misunderstandings  
Assessors write final conclusions, rankings; write summaries

Monthly conference calls will review status and progress

Schedule and Deadlines

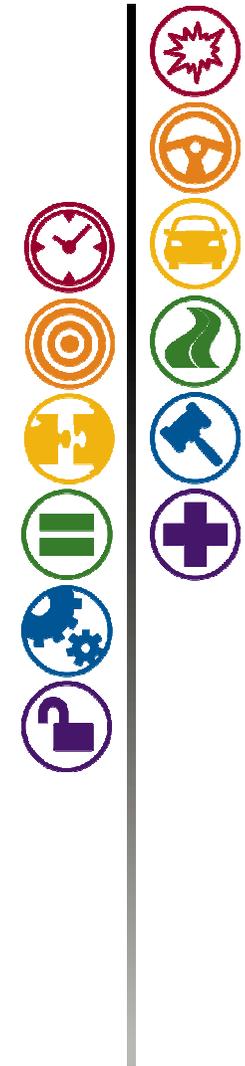
		<b>Begins</b>	<b>Ends</b>
Phase I	State Input	June 5	June 21
	Assessor	June 22	July 7
Phase II	State Input	July 8	July 18
	Assessor	July 19	July 28
Phase III	State Input	July 29	August 2
	Assessor	August 3	August 13
Report	Facilitator	August 14	August 25

Description of Final Report

Open Session: Questions about *Assessment Questions* and *Standards of Evidence*

TRCC	Strategic Plan	Crash	Driver	Vehicle Roadway
Citation and Adjudication		Injury Surveillance		Data Use and Integration

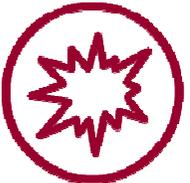
# Mississippi Traffic Records Assessment



Jack Benac | Jackson, MS | June 4, 2013  
Kickoff Briefing

# What is Traffic Records?



CRASH 

DRIVER 

VEHICLE 

ROADWAY 

CITATION/  
ADJUDICATION 

INJURY  
SURVEILLANCE 



TIMELINESS



ACCURACY



COMPLETENESS



UNIFORMITY



INTEGRATION



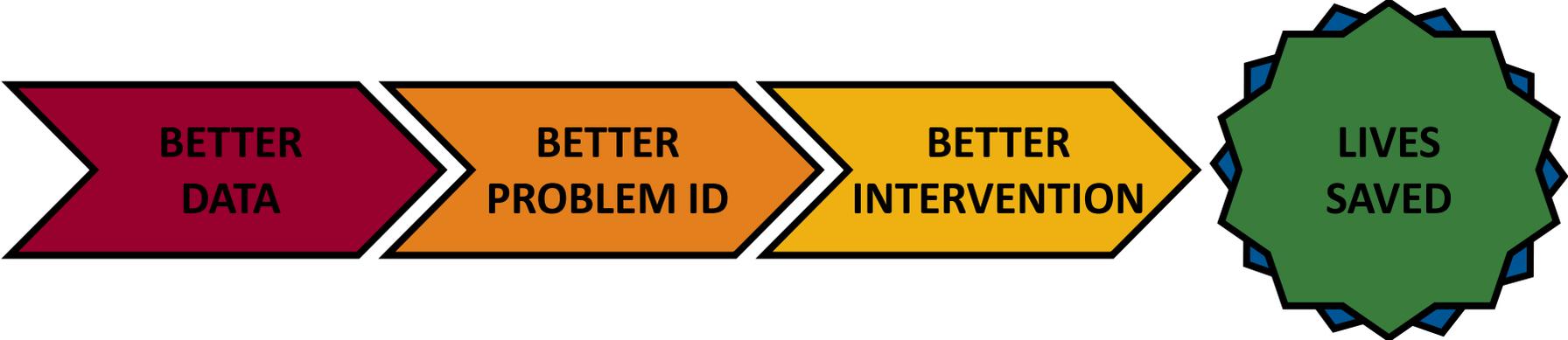
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# Why Does Traffic Records Matter?



**BETTER DATA** makes **BETTER DECISIONS**.



# How is Traffic Records Data Used?

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- **INTEGRATING** disparate data sets for clearer analysis
- **IDENTIFYING** the causes and outcomes of crashes
- **DEVELOPING** effective interventions
- **IMPLEMENTING** countermeasures to prevent crashes and improve crash outcomes
- **UPDATING** traffic safety programs, systems, and policies
- **EVALUATING** progress in reducing crash frequency and severity



# Changes to the Assessment



## OLD

- State-funded
- Assessors conduct State-scheduled interviews
- Costly week-long onsite
- Limited assessor pool
- Single SME per section
- 524 assessment questions
- Produces subjective report
- Report out onsite following investigation, low turnout

## NEW

- NHTSA-funded
- Assessors rate written responses over 3 cycles
- One-day onsite kickoff
- Expanded assessor pool
- Multiple SMEs per section
- 391 assessment questions
- Produces qualitative ratings
- Report out via webinar or onsite per State's request



# TR Program Assessment Advisory

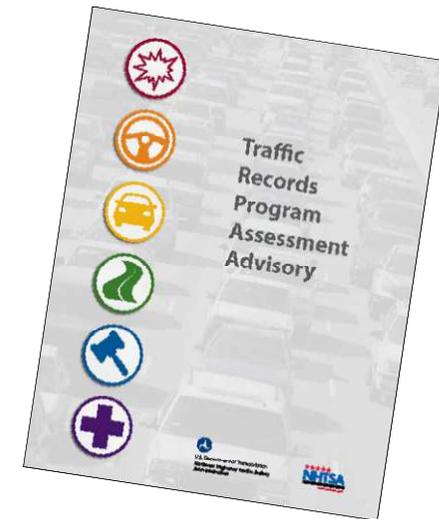


- Describes the ideal State traffic records system
- Asks the questions needed to determine whether a State

**MEETS**      **PARTIALLY MEETS**      **DOES NOT MEET**

the ideal system as described in the Advisory

- Reduces the total number of questions asked by 25% over the prior pre-questionnaire
- Provides standards of evidence to help States



# Improving State's TR Data

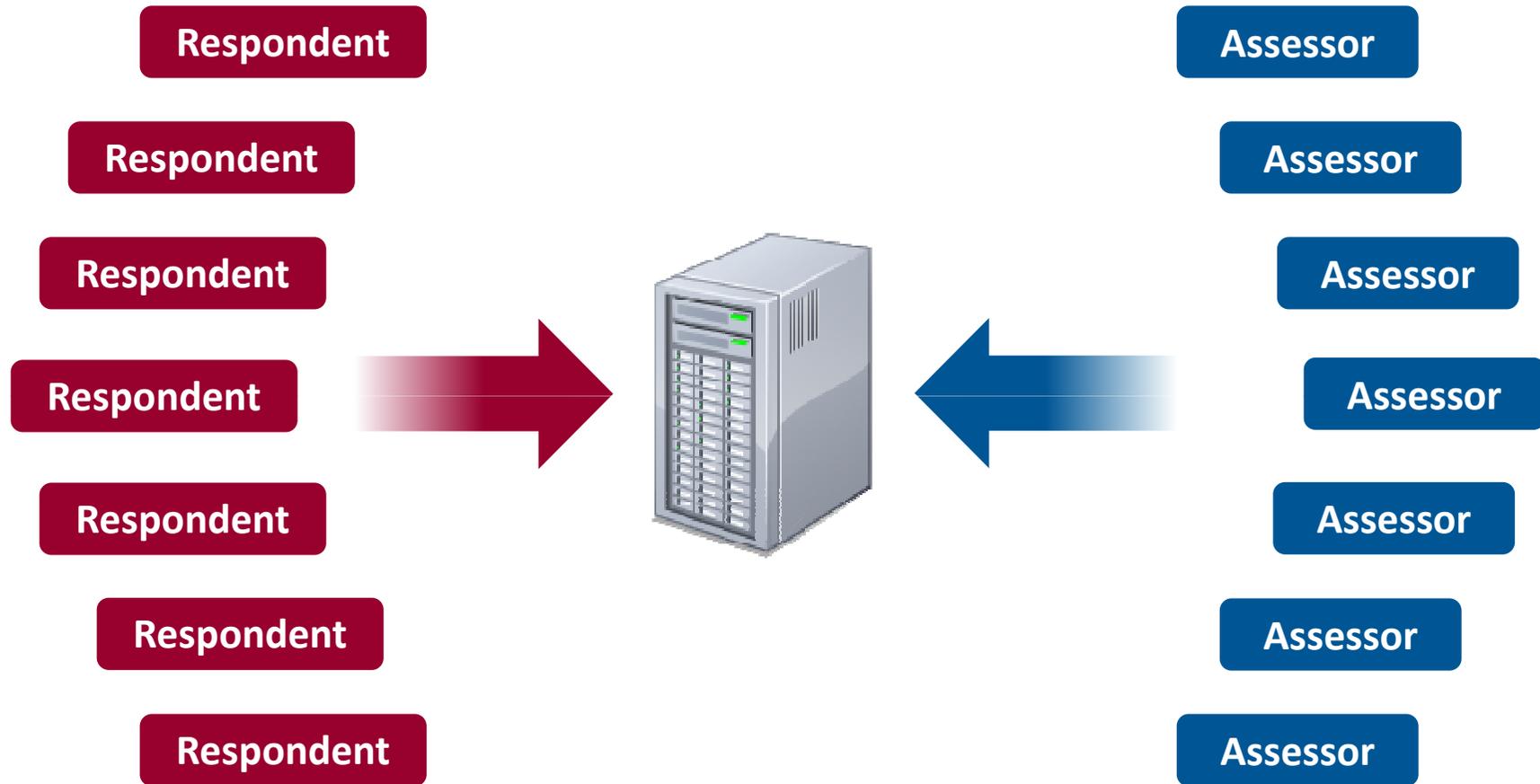


In comparing a State's traffic records system to the ideal outlined in the *Advisory*, the assessment will:

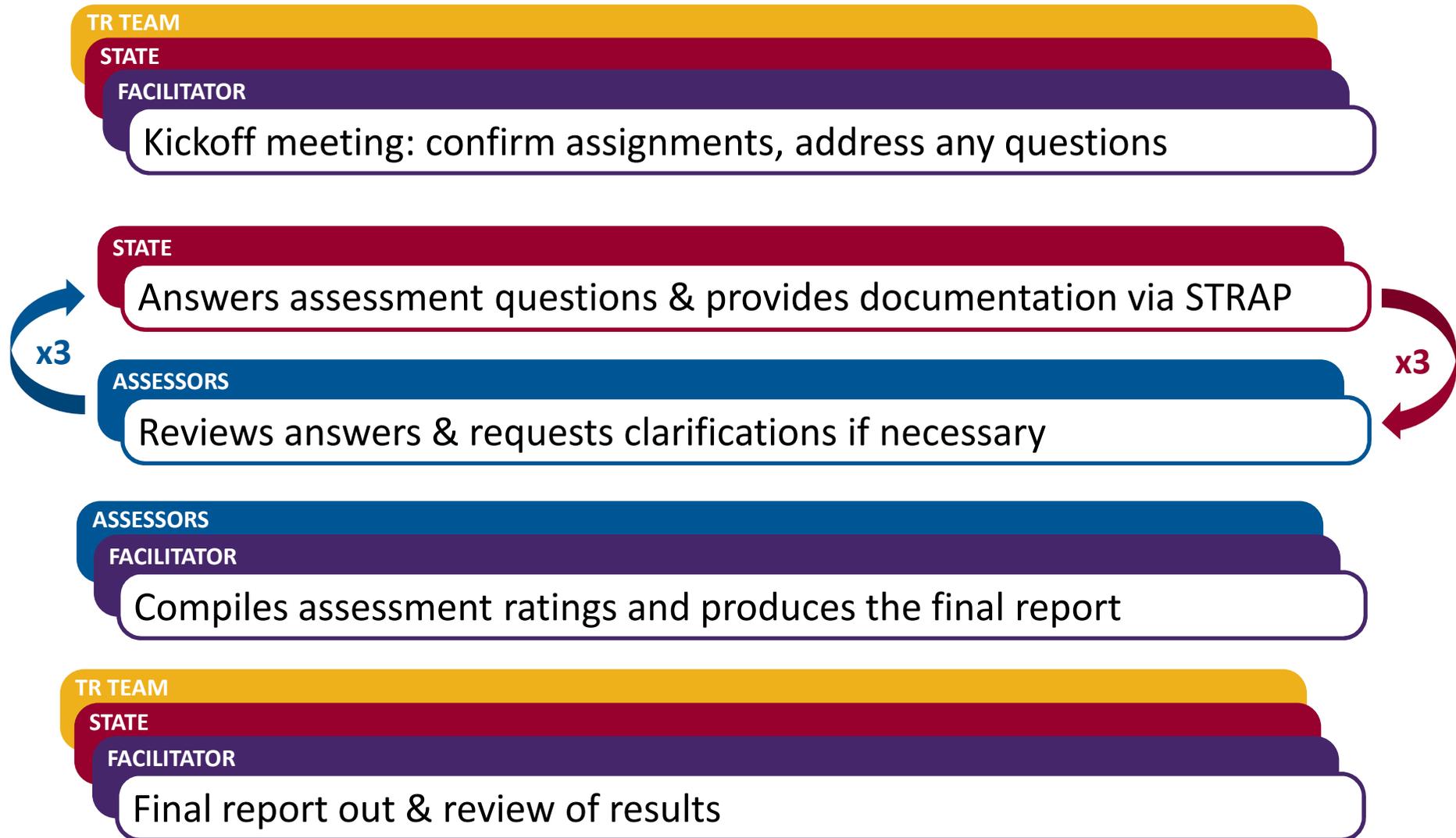
- Identify strengths and challenge areas
- Rank questions to help prioritize investment
- Supply brief recommendations for improvement



# New TR Assessment: STRAP



# New TR Assessment: Process



# Respondent Actions

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- **Answer** – provide the requested information
- **Refer** – answer and send the question to someone else to answer
- **Defer** – do not answer the question and send the question to someone else to answer
- **Decline** – do not answer the question



# Assessment Schedule



Date	Activity
May 2013 –	Facilitator works with State coordinator to identify respondents for each assessment question
June 4	Conduct Onsite Kickoff Meeting
Monday June 3, through Tue June 4 (2 days)	State coordinator enters respondents information into STRAP
Wednesday June 5 through Friday June 21 (12 business days)	Respondents answer Round 1 questions
Saturday June 22 through Sunday July 7 (16 days)	Assessors rate Round 1 responses
Monday July 8 through Thursday July 18 (9 business days)	Round 2: Respondents provide additional data
Friday July 19 through Sunday July 28 (10 days)	Assessors rate round 2 responses
Monday July 29 through Friday August 2 (5 business days)	Round 3: respondents provide additional data
Saturday August 3 through Tuesday August 13 (11 days)	Assessors rate round 3 responses and write module summaries
Wednesday August 14 through Sunday August 25 (12 days)	Facilitator compiles Final Report
Monday August 26	Send Report to State
September 2013	Report out meeting



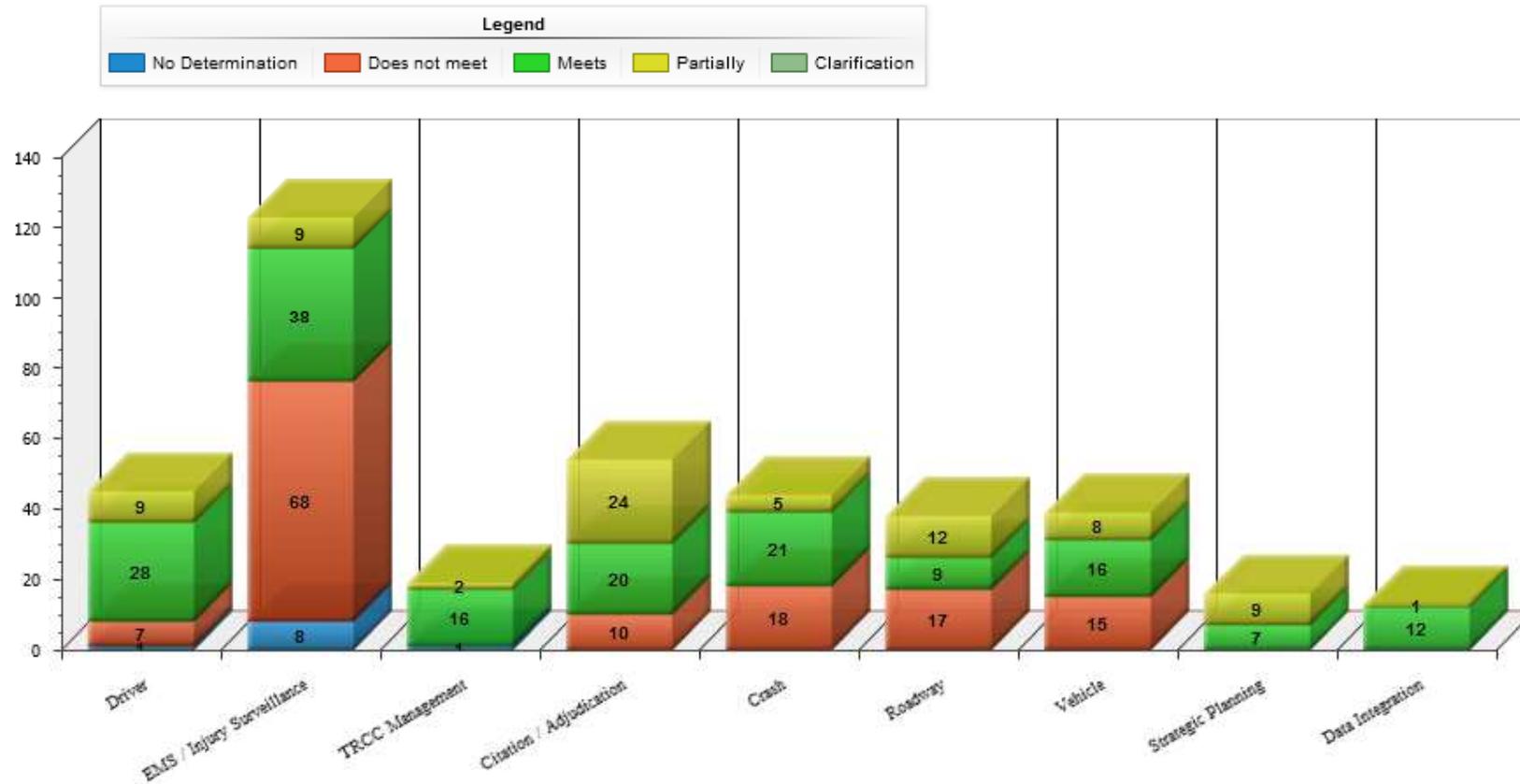
# New TR Assessment: Analytics



## Rating Distribution

[Report Help](#)

Rating Distribution by Module



# Contact Information

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