Emerging Topic or Idea

Ideas can originate within Committees or be suggested to Committees by any FDP member. Sessions and discussion groups can be held, as needed initially based on approval by Committee Co-Chairs.

Can be one time only or evolve into an FDP Activity

Goal of initial session or discussion should be to learn and discuss what a possible role for FDP might be related to the topic or idea.

Initiative/Assessment Study/Survey Pilot or Demonstration

Generally, as ideas formulate they should be written up, shared and discussed with Committee Co-Chairs, and Executive Committee. This would utilize the FDP Activity Form & process.

A Working Group could be formed to conduct the initial exploration as well.

Once the FDP Activity is vetted and/or approved by Executive Committee, information will be added to the listing of FDP Activities on the FDP Webpage (currently called “Current Initiatives”) as well as the Committee or Subcommittee page.

Working Group

Could include:
- Studies
- Surveys
- Pilots
- Demonstrations – both for grantee organizations only, and also those included federal agencies

If topic area is solely being handled within the scope of a Committee, Committee Co-Chairs can approve.

If topic area crosses the scope of more than one Committee, each Committee Co-Chair should approve.

If topic area is broad in nature and involves full membership, Executive Committee approval is needed. Informing the Executive Committee should occur for all.

Subcommittee

Requires official approval by the Executive Committee, via written proposal.