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SPEAKER TITLES/ABSTRACT

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“The Foundations for Evidence Based Policymaking”

The Federal government has always sought to ensure that decisions are informed by sound evidence. Several recent developments across government will expand the capacity and capability for federal agencies to generate evidence that can improve effectiveness and efficiency of programs, improve the interface between the government and the public, and better understand risk, costs, and benefits.