Corporation for NATIONAL & COMMUNITY SERVICE

2016 Senior Companion Program Performance Measures

AmeriCorps | Senior Corps | Social Innovation Fund | Volunteer Generation Fund

Updated National Performance Measures

- Updated National Performance Measures requirements and options
  - % of unduplicated volunteers in NPM work plans ***removed***
  - Replaced by cost per VSY in outcomes (or outputs in inclusion of people with disabilities for programs historically supporting service in this area)
  - New measures and service activities

Performance Measurement Requirements

For every $6,000 in annual base federal funding, at least one Volunteer Service Year (VSY) worth of service must be placed in work plans that result in:

1. National Performance Measure **outcomes** in the Healthy Futures Independent Living focus area or
2. National Performance Measure outputs in Inclusion of people with disabilities (H15) work plans for grantees that have historically supported programming in this area (see Appendix B).

For work plan projections, 1 VSY = 1 unduplicated volunteer

Additions to Measures

- New measures or service activities available
  - Healthy Futures
  - Other Community Priorities

New in Healthy Futures

- **Created** Objective: Inclusion of people with disabilities
- **Created** output measure to accommodate programs serving individuals with developmental disabilities better integrate into their communities
- This measure is only available to programs that historically support placements in this area. Senior Corps will not expand efforts in this area.

Objective	Output	Service Activity	Outcome
Inclusion of people with disabilities	H15. Number of individuals with developmental disabilities receiving services that promote self-determination, independence, productivity, and integration and inclusion in in community-based settings	Transportation; Companionship; Companionship—Dept. of Veterans Affairs; Financial Literacy or Housing Services; Preventing Elder Abuse; Supporting Integration	None

New Option-Other Community Priorities

- All Senior Corps programs given the option to utilize Other Community Priorities if necessary.

Other Community Priorities		
Objective	Output	Outcome
Other	SC1. Grantee met their target for community priority activity. (Yes/No)	None.

National Performance Measure Requirement

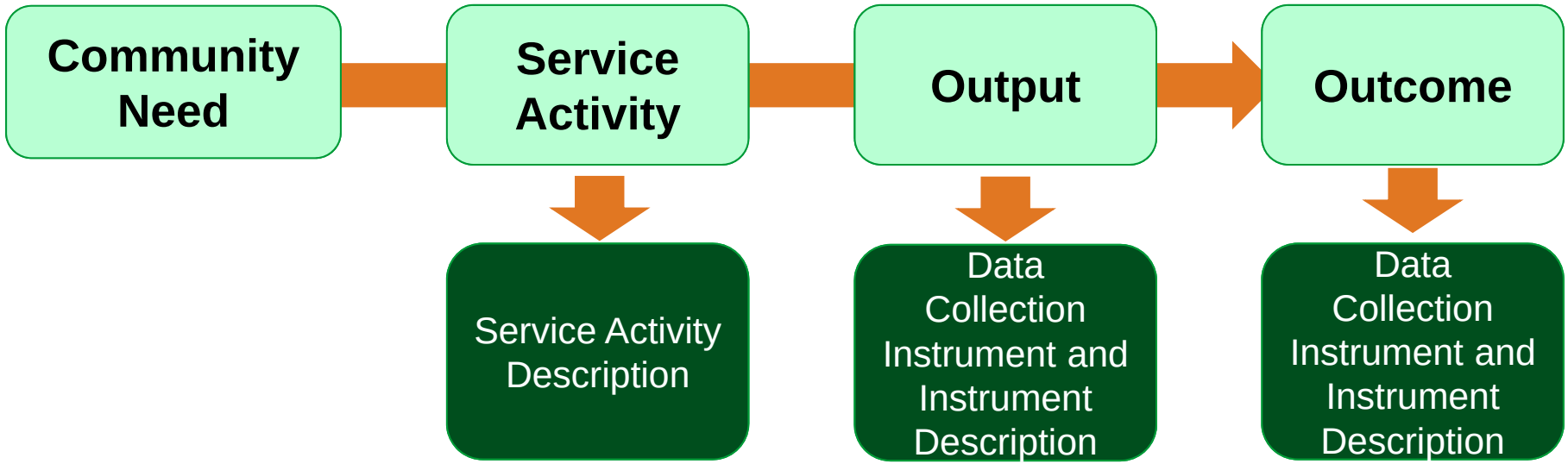
How many Volunteer Service Years (VSYs) do I need in order to meet the requirements?

- Calculate: Total Federal Funding Level divided by $6,000 = the number of VSYs

- Remember: Work plans are based on expected accomplishment at the ***end of the performance period***, i.e. in Year 3. Apply the NPM requirement based on VSYs for Year 3.

- For work plan projections, 1 VSY = 1 unduplicated volunteer

Performance Measures Work Plans



National Performance Measures Example

For Example:

- Annual Federal Funding Level = $360,000
- Current number of VSYs = 100
- $360,000/$6,000 = **60 VSYs** in work plans with NPM outcomes for the Healthy Futures Independent Living focus area*

  * Programs historically supporting inclusion of people with disabilities may use output H15 to meet this requirement

Example Cont'd

- In other words

Fed Funding	VSY rate	Minimum Number of Unduplicated Volunteers in Outcomes	Total Number of Unduplicated Volunteers
$360,000	$6,000	60	60
$360,000	$3,600	60	100

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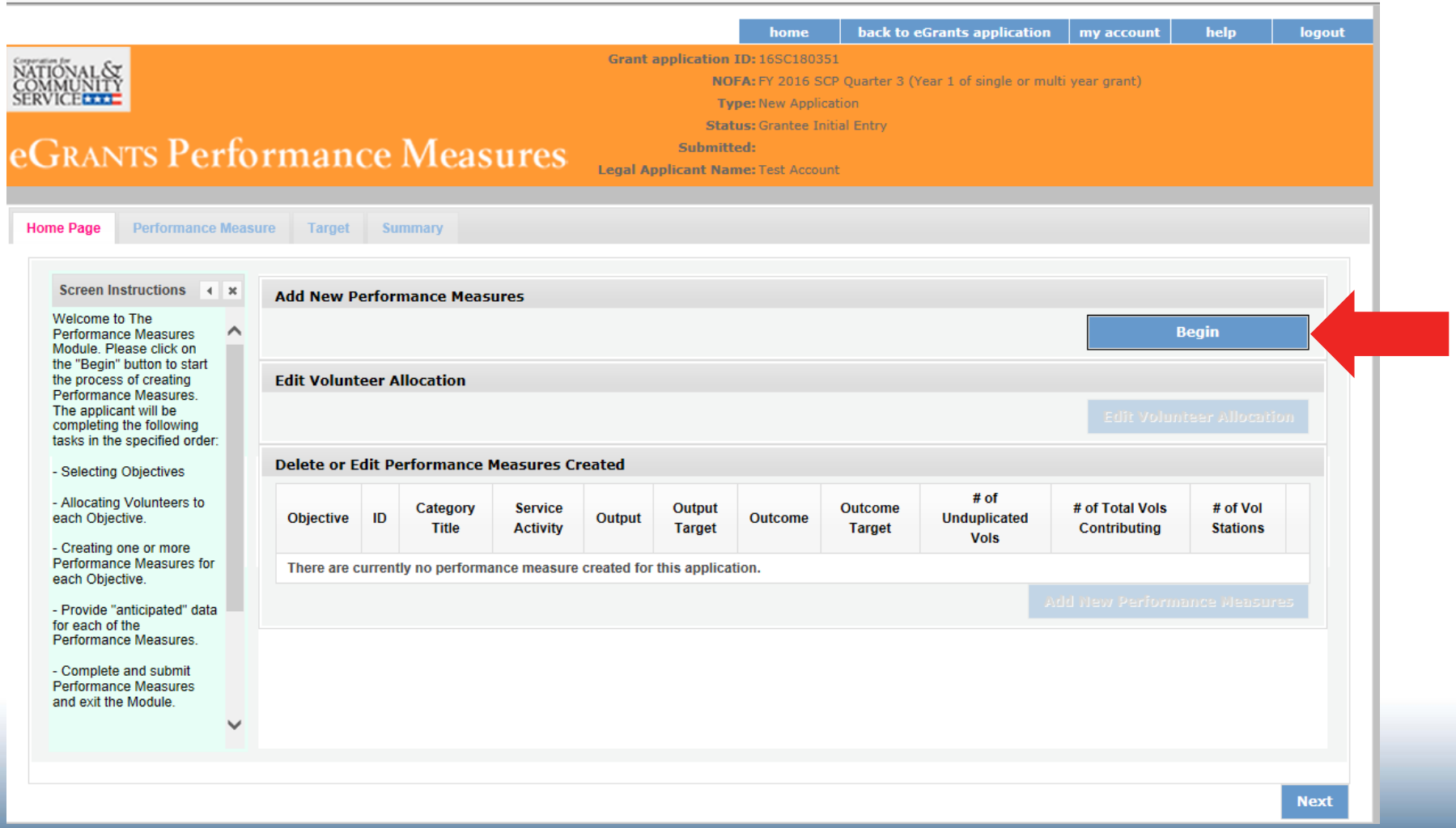

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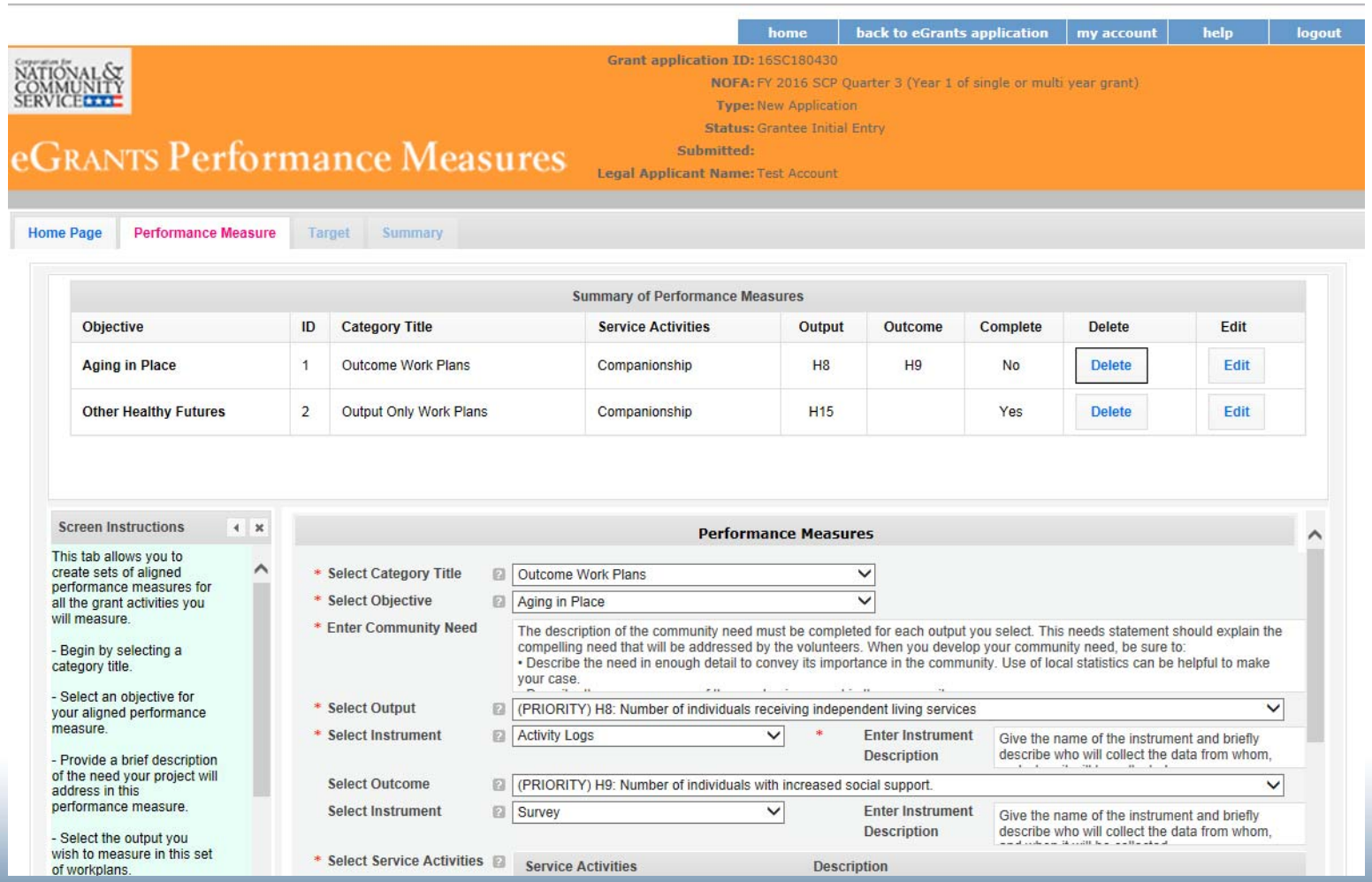

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eGRANTS Performance Measures

Grant application ID: 16SC180430
NOFA: FY 2016 SCP Quarter 3 (Year 1 of single or multi year grant)
Type: New Application
Status: Grantee Initial Entry
Submitted:
Legal Applicant Name: Test Account

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Screen Instructions

PLEASE DOUBLE-CHECK the Performance Measure requirements outlined in the PM Instructions/Appendix B and verify that your work plans accurately reflect the requirements.

- Success: All allocation rules satisfied

Volunteer Calculator

Total # of Unduplicated Volunteers

My project's total # of unduplicated volunteers is: 100 .

Summary of Performance Measures

Objective	ID	Category Title	Service Activity	Output	Output Target	Outcome	Outcome Target	# of Unduplicated Vols	# of Total Vols Contributing	# of Vol Stations
Aging in Place	1.1	Outcome Work Plans	Companionship	H8	120	H9	95	* 60	* 60	* 3
Other Healthy Futures	2.1	Output Only Work Plans	Companionship	H15	85			* 40	* 40	* 2

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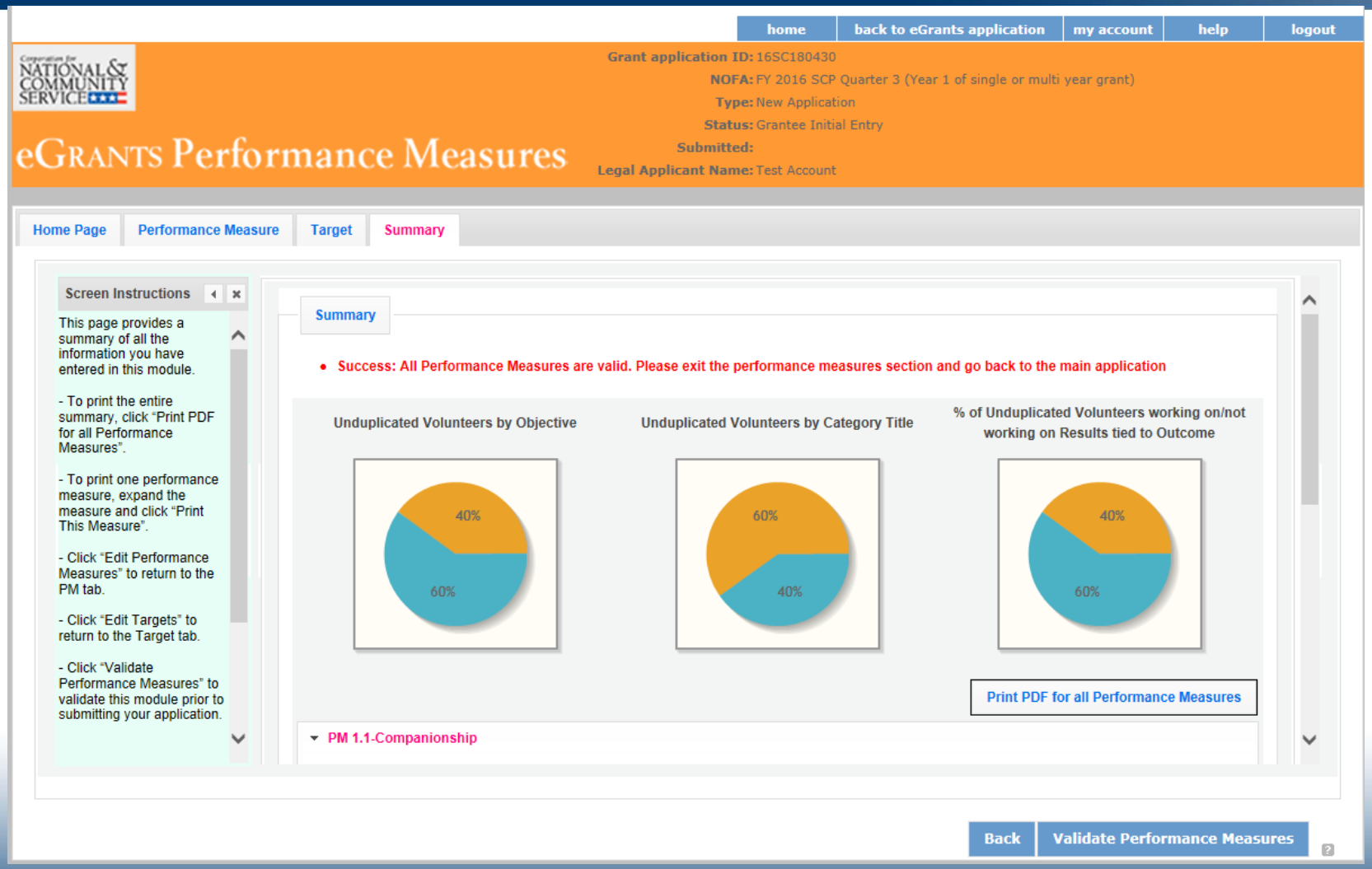

Common Pitfalls

Community Need/Problem statement	Explains service activities instead of presenting data demonstrating the specific issue in the community that the service activities will address.
	Turns into a “data dump” with too many indirect or unrelated statistics provided.
	The community need and intended outcome are not closely related.
Service Activity	Description of the design and service (how often, for how long, and where the service will take place, and who are the beneficiaries) is incomplete.
Outcome	Isn’t likely to result from the service activities proposed.
	Doesn’t directly relate to the community need.
Statistics	Are not relevant, compelling, or current Do not come from data on program similar to the one proposed (based on design and dosage) Do not make a strong case for the choice of intervention (service activity) Sources are not cited

- Questions?

Available Resources

- Managing Senior Corps Grants webpage
  - http://www.nationalservice.gov/programs/senior-corps/managing-senior-corps-grants

- Evidence-based Mailbox
  - Evidencebased@cns.gov

- State Office Staff