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on the
(1) Development and Expansion of Telework Initiatives
and
(2) Receipt and Expenditure of Federal Moneys Related
to Broadband



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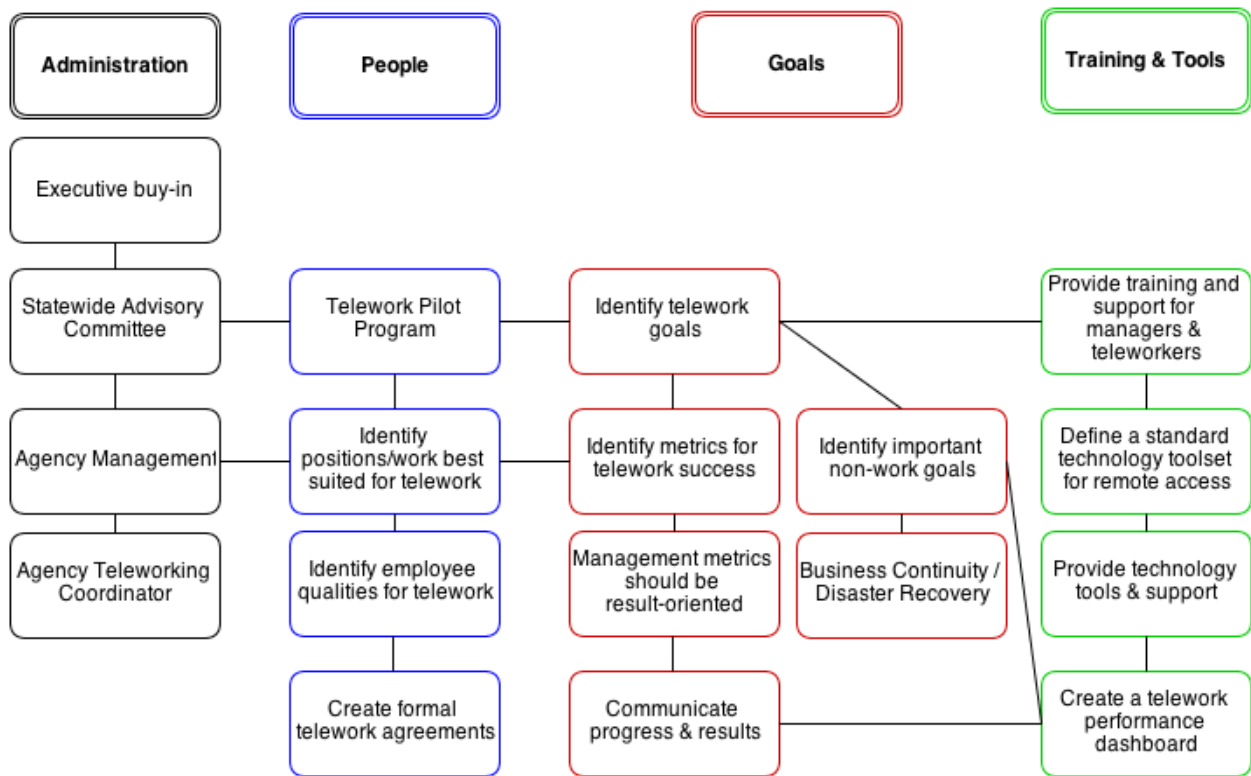
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Annual Report on the Development and Expansion of Telework Initiatives

This report is filed pursuant to section 440G-11.5(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes, which requires the Director of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs (DCCA) to submit an annual report to the Legislature “on the department’s efforts to use broadband and its products and services to develop and expand telework initiatives, including telework participation levels and trends of both private and public sector employees in Hawaii.”

DCCA has convened the Broadband Assistance Advisory Council (BAAC) as required under Act 199, Session Laws of Hawaii 2010 (Act 199). Pursuant to Act 199, as amended by Act 151, Session Laws of Hawaii 2011, the BAAC is to advise the Director on, among other things, “policy and funding priorities to promote and encourage use of telework alternatives for public and private employees” and other states’ best practices involving telework promotion and policies. The BAAC formed an Adoption Work Group to address broadband adoption. Although the Adoption Work Group has discussed telework as a potential solution to increase broadband adoption, to date, the work group members as a whole have chosen instead to focus on barriers to adoption across the State and the promotion of broadband use through applications.

In its December 2014 Annual Report to the Legislature, DCCA reported on its residential and small business surveys performed that included questions related to telework. Notably, 47% of small business decision makers whose companies did not promote telework were interested in enabling employees to work from home. DCCA also reported on best practices to establish a successful telework program based on ongoing federal and state government telework programs. These best practices, in flowchart form, were as follows:



To promote and encourage the use of telework alternatives for public and private employees, DCCA is making this information and links to other state and federal telework “best practices” available on its Cable Television division’s broadband webpage at <http://cca.hawaii.gov/broadband/> for both government agencies and private businesses. DCCA has also begun to look at issues faced by state agencies in offering telework programs to identify means to support such programs.

Annual Report on the Receipt and Expenditure of Federal Moneys Related to Broadband

This report is filed pursuant to section 440G-11.5(c), Hawaii Revised Statutes, which requires the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs (DCCA) to report annually to the Legislature on the receipt and expenditure of federal moneys from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA), and moneys from other federal appropriation measures or applicable federal acts, for broadband facilities, services, equipment or projects. Final receipt of moneys from the ARRA for broadband-related projects occurred in 2015. DCCA is unaware of any significant receipt of federal moneys by state agencies for these purposes.