Who is Knowledge Alliance?

Founded in 1971,
Knowledge Alliance (KA) is composed of
19 leading education organizations
that share the belief that
high-quality, relevant research is critical
to solving education problems
facing our country today.

KA Works to Ensure That:

Rigorous research and evaluation is championed and used by policymakers and educators for improved outcomes and increased equitable access to high-quality teaching and learning for all students.

Systems changes are made at the Federal, State and local levels to ensure and support the policies and practices needed **to integrate research into practice**.

Robust public funding and **public policy** exists for rigorous research and evaluation focused on continuous improvement and impact.

knowledge alliance

Private Sector Roles in the Future Data Ecosystem

NASEM report recognized that:

- Contractors and external experts play an integral part in how NCES accomplishes its mission **now** and in the **future**.

- Contractors to support innovation and to build internal capacity.

4 Common Themes Across 3 Reports

1. IES is underfunded and overburdened
2. IES must continue to invest in equitable education research
3. IES must operate together rather than in silos
4. The National Board of Education Sciences (NBES) must be populated as soon as possible

knowledge alliance 5

KA Comments on "A Vision and Roadmap for Education Statistics"

1. Prior to largescale undertaking of recommendations, NBES should be populated.

2. NCES needs increased funding before it can begin to expand data sources for new insights.

3. Supports recommendation to assist SEAs and LEAs with data facilitation.

KA Comments on "A Vision and Roadmap for Education Statistics"

Agree with panel recommendations to use contractors to:

- Identify best practices

- Pilot new, potentially transformational approaches

- Use contractors to build internal capacity

KA Comments on "A Vision and Roadmap for Education Statistics"

Strongly support panel's recommendation to explore **greater use of flexible contract types.**

KA Comments on "A Vision and Roadmap for Education Statistics"

Contractors can help NCES deepen and broaden its engagement with current potential data users and strengthen its user community.