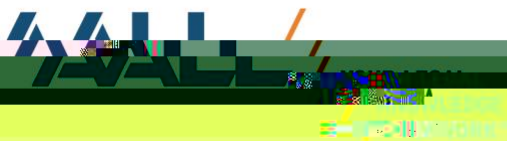




PRINCIPLES AND STANDARDS
FOR LEGAL RESEARCH
COMPETENCY



AALL Principles and Standards for Legal Research Competency
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Competencies:

1. Distinguishes between federal, state, and local systems of government; and understands the processes and the interrelationships among them on all levels.
2. Knows which legal information is produced, organized, and disseminated across levels and branches of government.
3. Identifies appropriate resources to locate the legislative, regulatory, and judicial law produced by the respective government bodies.
4. Understands and distinguishes between different types of primary law sources,








Competencies:

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 1. Understands that there are costs associated with legal research, regardless of type, publisher, or format.
 2. Demonstrates cognizance of the intersection of cost and efficiency in the selection of information format and exercises professional judgment to choose the best source to serve the research parameters.
 3. Understands the costs and benefits of mediated and disintermediated searching and uses this knowledge to revise research strategies whemecessary.

C. An information -literate legal professional understands the importance of reviewing information obtained.



B. An information -literate legal professional modifies initial research strategies as necessary.

Competencies:

1. Understands research as a recursive process and expands or narrows research queries after discovering unanticipated results.
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