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Lori Beeler is the Director for the Grant Accountability and Transparency Unit (GATU) within the Governor's Office of Management and Budget (GOMB). Under the Grant Accountability and Transparency Act (GATA), GATU is responsible for designing and implementing Illinois' frameworks and systems to implement Federal Uniform Guidance.

Lori has been a part of GATA since its inception. She's been a long-standing member of the Illinois Single Audit Commission which was the body that drafted the GATA legislation. Prior to joining GATU in 2016, she served on several GATA subcommittees and workgroups developing GATA rules for the State of Illinois and designing associated frameworks. Lori brought a wealth of grant experience into her role with GATA. Prior to joining GATU, she was responsible for coordination of all external audits for the Illinois Department of Transportation, oversight and management of subrecipient single audit reports and implementation of GATA processes for DOT.

As a CPA and CGMS certification holder, Lori brings a great deal of applied knowledge in this highly technical area. Lori's understanding of federal grant requirements and comprehensive vision for how Illinois can strategically work to comply with those requirements has been invaluable to GATA implementation. State agencies and grantees greatly benefitted from her working expertise in grant administration.