# How an **IDEA** becomes a session

**NASCIO**

## 1. COLLECT IDEAS

Before each conference, NASCIO sources topics and issues important to members.

- Idea Roundup*
- Committees and Working Groups
- Discussions on the NASCIO Community
- Feedback from Past Conferences
- Conversations with Members

*\* A request for members and non-members to submit suggestions for topics, speakers and session formats.*

## 2. SHORTLIST TOPICS

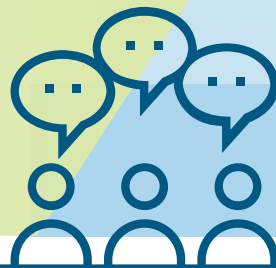The Programs Committee Chair and Programs Manager short-list topics based on many factors.

- Recent inclusion on conference agendas
- Current trends
- Emerging issues
- Interest to broad membership
- Alignment with CIO Top Ten Priorities

## 3. CHOOSE TOPICS

The Programs Committee reviews and discusses topics* and ultimately finalizes the agenda.

The Programs Committee is comprised of NASCIO state and corporate members

*\* As NASCIO does not issue a formal call for proposals, session topics are presented independent of a company or predetermined speakers.*

## 4. SPEAKER SELECTION

With the agenda topics set, the Programs Committee brainstorms case studies and speakers that will best align with the intended outcomes for each session.
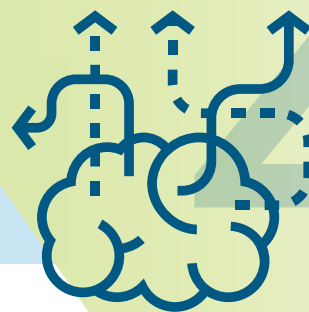
## 5. INVITATION

NASCIO extends speaking invitations and finalizes speakers.

## 6. CONFERENCE

Sessions are delivered at the NASCIO conference!