Ensuring data quality is one of the first considerations of data governance. All data needs to be cleaned to remove “dirty data.”

Understanding where your corporate data comes from is the first step in governing it. Are we managing all the right data? Are all the data sources approved and complete?

Now your data can go to where it’s needed to be used. Data governance helps you determine where and how that data will be stored.

The data governance team decides how to handle sensitive data and where it should go: either in a data warehouse, data lake or other storage—in the cloud or on-premises.

Now your data is ready for use by a range of users and systems—from business users to data scientists to other applications.

Once your data is clean and rules for access are determined, it’s more useful than ever. Now you can “recycle” this clean data, securely making it available for new use cases and users.

An enterprise-wide governance committee is a helpful way to assemble a cross-functional team to lead your data governance initiative. This will ensure you have consistent practices in place across the organization to manage your data, and will go a long way toward better data democratization and data-driven success.

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