

**SAM – INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(California Department of Technology)**

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The Department of Technology embraces the American National Standards Institute ([ANSI](#)) management information standards and the Federal Information Processing Standards ([FIPS](#)). The ANSI standards are national consensus standards which provide guidance on a variety of issues central to the public and industrial sectors. The FIPS standards are adopted and promulgated under the provision of Public Law 89–306 (Brooks Act) and [Part 6 of Title 15, Code of Federal Regulations](#), and serve to improve the utilization and management of computers and automated data processing in the Federal Government.

State agencies must use the ANSI and FIPS standards in their information management planning and operations. Adoption of these standards will facilitate the interorganizational sharing and exchange of equipment, data, software and personnel. Use of these standards will also facilitate communication (1) among state agencies; (2) between the state and its IT vendors; and (3) between the state and its IT information providers/recipients.