# Pan-Canadian Trust Framework (PCTF) One-Pager for DM

Governments and industries are developing technology and policy frameworks, more commonly known as **trust frameworks**, which enable **digital identities** that users trust and, by extension, facilitate trustworthy digital transactions.

The PCTF is a set of agreed on **definitions**, **principles**, **conformance criteria, assessment approach, standards and specifications,** that enable different levels of government and the private sector to rely on trusted digital identities.

The **Pan-Canadian Trust Framework (PCTF)** supports the vision for digital identity to enable individuals to have trusted and convenient access to services without the worry of having to prove who they are, over and over again.

The PCTF also enables the **OneGC Vision for Digital Service Delivery** by supporting “Tell-Us-Once” and “Single Window.”

For example, a resident of Alberta, using a **MyAlberta Digital Identity**, can immediately use federal programs and services, such as EI, CPP, and OAS. This bypasses a 5 to 10 day program enrollment delay, and avoids another identity-proofing process. It thereby removes two major barriers to seamless and trusted service delivery.

The **Pan-Canadian Trust Framework Overview** was first published in 2016 by the **Digital Identification and Authentication Council of Canada (DIACC)** marking an important milestone toward the vision of enabling new digital models that unlock opportunities for Canadians and businesses.

We have developed major PCTF components in 2017-18. They include:

* **Verified Person:** defines the set of trusted processes that uniquely identifies a real and existing person, ensures their identity information is up-to-date, and claims and actions can be attributed to that person.
* **Verified Login:** defines the set of trusted processes that ensures a user is securely signed in and acting on their own behalf.
* **Confirmation, Binding, Notice and Consent:** defines the set of processes that binds a verified person through confirming information, providing notice and gaining consent.
* **Verified Organization:** defines the set of trusted processes used to verify that an organization is real, identifiable, and can truthfully claim that organization’s identity.

We are currently **alpha testing** the PCTF and also using an **assessment process** to formalize the acceptance of trusted digital identities as provided by the Province or Territories.

* The Province of Alberta is in the final stages of acceptance – the assessment process is now completed, and the letter of acceptance is now being finalized by TBS for approval.
* Feedback from lessons learned and the alpha testing will be provide back to the teams developing PCTF Components. Feedback will be incorporated into the components, with the goal of releasing a ‘beta’ version of the PCTF in Q1-2019