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# Best Practice Toolkit: Data Analysis Recommendation Assistant (DARA)

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## What Is It?

**Data Analysis Recommendation Assistant (DARA)** allows Alma users to work smarter by leveraging, the cloud, the community, the size of Alma using AI (Artificial Intelligence), ML (Machine Learning), and Alma Analytics.

Reviewing **Data Analysis Recommendation Assistant (DARA)** Recommendations:

- Feature Recommendations: Based on use of features across the community and specific institution setup, recommend use of a feature that is not in use
- Analytics Based Recommendations: Population is based on a report
- System based Recommendations: System determines recommendations based on internal DARA logic

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## Why Review DARA?

DARA assists the library by recommending workflow efficiencies, suggesting features, and validating configurations.

By default, DARA generates all recommendation types. If you think that a type is not relevant to your institution, you can configure DARA to not generate recommendations of this type. Additionally, it is possible to remove roles that are configured to see a recommendation type. For more information, see [DARA Recommendations](#).

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## Before You Start

As always in Alma, confirm you have the proper role assigned to you. For each Recommendation Type has a require role associated with it.

For example: Unavailable Portfolios requires

- Electronic Inventory Operator
- Repository Manager
- Purchasing Operator
- Purchasing Manager

Additional Recommendation Types include:

- Automate MD Import Profiles
- Automatic Usage Data

- Convert Audio/Video Files to Streaming/HTML5 format
- Description Templates
- Fully Utilize Digital Asset Management Flows
- High Request Load
- Identical OCLC Control Number
- Job Failure
- Link Electronic Resources to the Community
- Link Local Electronic Collections to the CZ
- Link Standalone Portfolios to CZ
- Load Usage Data
- Missing Items
- My Electronic Resources by Provider
- New Alma Viewer
- No Data Processed
- No Job Instance
- Unavailable Portfolios
- Upload Electronic Holdings
- Validate Order Information for Orders Created by API

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## Related Articles

In addition to the ExLibris Knowledge Center links above, there is the [Getting to Know DARA](#) training - 58 minutes in length.