

February 2017 Monthly Bulletin

This bulletin is a snapshot of the work products and initiatives currently being developed by members of the four National Council of Statewide Interoperability Coordinators (NCSWIC) committees. Additionally, this bulletin highlights upcoming meetings and conferences relevant to Statewide Interoperability Coordinators (SWICs) and provides contact information for new SWICs.

Governance

- The Governance Committee met on February 23, 2017, to review the status of quarter one products and continue discussions on the NCSWIC Intellectual Capital Assessment
 - o Q1: 2017 NCSWIC Strategic Plan Complete
 - o Q1: 2016 NCSWIC Annual Report Complete
 - o Q1: 2016 NCSWIC Annual Summary Fact Sheet Complete
 - o Q1: Statewide Governance & Planning Integrated Project Team (IPT) Products In Progress
- Members continued to review two products developed by OEC's Statewide Governance and Planning IPT
- Next Meeting: March 23, 2017, at 1:30 pm ET

Charter Update Working Group

- Working group members met on February 20, 2017, to finalize the first section of the NCSWIC Charter, including the Background, Mission, and Vision
- The working group continues to work on the second section of the Charter: Goals, Objectives, Strategic Plan and Membership
- Next Meeting: March 6, 2017, at 3:00 pm ET

Planning, Training, and Exercise

- ▶ On March 28, 2017 at 3:00 PM EDT, the committee will host a webinar on improvement planning and implementation
- Next In-Person Meeting: March 8, 2017, in Glynco, Georgia

Technology Policy (Joint with SAFECOM)

- The Technology Policy Committee met on February 21, 2017, to continue discussions on the definition of "Public Safety Grade," which will be featured in a Public Safety Grade White Paper and is intended to be endorsed by the public safety community
- Members also reviewed and discussed the following work products developed by the Identity, Credentialing, and Access Management (ICAM) Working Group
 - O ICAM Trustmark Framework Position Paper: The Position Paper encourages the public safety community to leverage and adopt the Trustmark Framework in effort to achieve a federated ICAM solution
 - O ICAM Trustmark Framework Brochure: The Brochure will accompany the release of the ICAM Trustmark Framework Position Paper and is intended to provide public safety stakeholders with background and supplemental information on the Trustmark Framework
- Members continue to develop the May 2017 in-person committee meeting agenda
- Next meeting: March 21, 2017, at 3:00 pm ET

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ICAM Working Group

- The ICAM Working Group met on February 21, 2017 to discuss, finalize, and approve the ICAM Trustmark Framework Brochure and the ICAM 101 Executive Briefing, a two-page fact sheet designed to provide public safety executives and officials with a high-level overview of ICAM
- Members also discussed and finalized plans to host ICAM Trustmark Framework Webinar on March 16, 2017, at 2pm ET, to educate SAFECOM and NCSWIC members on the Trustmark Framework and will provide members an opportunity to ask questions prior to the Executive Committee votes on the related work products.
- Members expressed interest developing an index or guide of ICAM reference materials.
- Next meeting: March 21, 2017, at 2:00 pm ET

Funding and Sustainment (Joint with SAFECOM)

- ▶ The Joint Funding and Sustainment Committee met on February 15, 2017, and received updates on revisions to the SAFECOM Grant Guidance from the Office of Emergency Communications (OEC) National Emergency Communications Plan and Grants Branch
- Members reviewed and approved the Life Cycle Template to present to the SAFECOM and NCSWIC Executive Committee and discussed adding additional equipment to Estimating the Life Cycle
- Members were also encouraged to identify a NCSWIC Committee Co-Chair following Victoria Garcia's departure
- Next meeting: March 15, 2017, at 4:00 PM ET

SAFECOM/NCSWIC Blog

- ▶ Check out the SAFECOM/NCSWIC Blog to stay informed about SAFECOM and NCSWIC achievements, product development, community outreach, and updates from your peers and the Office of Emergency Communications www.dhs.gov/safecom/blog
- Recently posted articles:
 - o Southwest Border Communications Working Group Addresses Opportunities Under New Administration
- Looking for an opportunity to increase your writing portfolio or share your knowledge or experiences with your peers? Consider submitting an article for the Blog!
 - o We are continually looking for new articles. If it is something relevant in your state, it would probably help other states too!
 - o Please send draft articles to NCSWICGovernance@hq.dhs.gov

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