

June 2015 Monthly Bulletin

Below 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.

Governance

- ▶ The Committee reviewed and approved the NCSWIC Monthly Bulletin template and the Introduction to NCSWIC presentation during the June 25th meeting.
- ▶ The Committee also reviewed and approved the restructured NCSWIC Strategic Plan where some components requiring annual updates were moved as part of the Appendix. Next, OEC will work with the Strategic Plan Update Lead, Budge Currier (CA SWIC), and NCSWIC Committee Chairs and Vice Chairs to begin content-related updates to the Plan.
- ▶ The Governance Guide Working Group continues to progress with the development of the Guide and is aiming for a mid-August release.
- ▶ Next Meeting: July 23, 2015 at 1:30 pm EDT

Training, Exercises, and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs)

- ▶ The Committee met for the second time on June 23, 2015 to follow up on items discussed during the kick-off meeting at the May NCSWIC in-person meeting in Jacksonville, FL.
- ▶ Committee members confirmed 2015 working product priorities, including efforts to compare and standardize academy-level definitions of interoperability, develop educational webinars for training and exercise programs, and coordinate with the OEC Technical Assistance Branch to provide input, as needed, on model COML certification programs.
- ▶ Next Meeting: July 28, 2015 at 3:00 pm EDT

Technology Policy (Joint with SAFECOM)

- ▶ Heather Robey (DHS OIC) briefed the Committee on OIC's Information Sharing Interoperability Working Group. The Committee will advise the Working Group on technical subject matter and will assist with determining the current data sharing landscape during its in-person meeting in August.
- ▶ The Committee has brainstormed ideas for new work products including LTE coverage analysis and challenges regarding digital vocoders for P25 systems.
- ▶ The Committee is updating the Cybersecurity Primer draft, based on input from the May in-person meeting.
- ▶ Next Meeting: July 21, 2015 at 3:00 pm EDT

Funding and Sustainment (Joint with SAFECOM)

- ▶ On June 17, the Committee hosted a presentation by Claude Craig, Director, Georgia PCEM, and Jeff Ownby, Deputy Director, Georgia ACEM, Whitfield County Emergency Management on the Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax that was recently approved to support the build-out of a new regional communications system.
- ▶ Next Meeting: July 15, 2015 at 4:00 pm EDT

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