

# September 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. The bulletin highlights recent articles posted to the SAFECOM-NCSWIC Blog and provides contact information for new SWICs.

## Governance

- ▶ The Governance Committee met on September 13, 2017, in-person meeting in Des Moines, Iowa
- ▶ Members discussed the NCSWIC's use of Social Media, reviewed outcomes from the NCSWIC Intellectual Capital Assessment, and brainstormed preliminary ideas for the next iteration of the Governance Guide
- ▶ The committee also established their 2018 priorities
- ▶ During the November in-person meeting, the committee will host a session to walk through the Homeland Security Information Network and the NCSWIC website
- ▶ Next Meeting: November 7, 2017, in Norman, Oklahoma

## Planning, Training, and Exercise

- ▶ The Planning, Training, and Exercise (PTE) Committee met on September 26, 2017
- ▶ The committee reviewed Region IV's Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC) Mission Readiness Package
- ▶ The committee discussed a potential format for the committee's EMAC product, including a Technical Assistance (TA) offering and developing standardized templates
- ▶ The committee will discuss EMAC products further during the November In-Person Meeting in Norman, Oklahoma
- ▶ Next meeting: October 24, 2017, at 3 pm ET

## Technology Policy (Joint with SAFECOM)

- ▶ The Technology Policy Committee met on September 19, 2017
- ▶ Received updates from the Identity, Credential, and Access Management (ICAM) Working Group
- ▶ Received updates from the Next Generation (NG) 9-1-1 Working Group
- ▶ Continued discussions on committee work products such as the Request for Proposal (RFP) Best Practices for Land Mobile Radio (LMR) Subscriber Units "Do's and Don'ts" document, a key component of the RFP Best Practices for LMR Subscriber Units Toolkit to be developed
- ▶ Discussed the need to review and provide inputs to the Ten Keys to Obtaining a Resilient Local Access Network ("10 Keys") document
- ▶ Agreed to focus on RFP Best Practices for LMR Subscriber Units Toolkit development and Fiscal Year 2018 planning in preparation for the November 7, 2017 In-person Committee Meeting
- ▶ Next Meeting: October 11, 2017, at 3:00 PM ET

## ICAM Working Group

- ▶ The ICAM Working Group is continuing to focus on creating discipline-specific education and outreach materials for fire, law enforcement, EMS, 9-1-1, and emergency management
- ▶ The materials in development will examine ICAM challenges, impacts, and opportunities specific to the disciplines
- ▶ ICAM solutions are most prevalent in the law enforcement community today, and the working group aims to leverage that work to advance ICAM in the other disciplines.
- ▶ Next Meeting: TBD

## NG 9-1-1 Working Group

- ▶ The NG 9-1-1 Working Group held its second meeting on September 28, 2017
- ▶ The working group reviewed the NG911 Work Stream Analysis Report documenting the various NG 9-1-1 activities impacting NG 9-1-1 among SAFECOM member organizations
- ▶ The working group agreed to focus on collecting and sharing resources to support stakeholder efforts to fund, assess readiness, and complete the transition to NG 9-1-1
- ▶ Next Meeting: October 26, 2017, at 1:00 PM ET

### Funding and Sustainment (Joint with SAFECOM)

- ▶ The SAFECOM/NCSWIC Funding and Sustainment Committee met on September 20, 2017; the Committee:
  - Received an update on the FY18 SAFECOM Guidance development, and anticipated changes to the FY18 Guidance. OEC will be coordinating with Stakeholders to update priorities, policies, and technical standards. In October, FY18 Guidance materials will be sent to the Funding and Sustainment Committee for their review and input.
  - Discussed and reviewed the revised “Maintenance and Sustainment” section of the “Lifecycle Guide”
- ▶ Hosted the “Phase I Lifecycle Guide” Webinar on September 27, 2017:
  - Provided SAFECOM and NCSWIC members the opportunity to review the Phase I sections of the Lifecycle Guide, and to provide comments and feedback
  - Phase II sections are in development and will be reviewed during the November 2017 SAFECOM/NCSWIC In-Person Meeting
  - Developed and finalized Agenda for the November 2017 In-Person Committee Meeting
- ▶ Next Meeting: October 18, 2017, at 3:00 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](http://www.dhs.gov/safecom/blog)
- ▶ Recently posted articles:
  - [COMU Training Calendar Released](#)
  - [OEC Building Collaborative Relationships with Federally Recognized Tribes](#)
- ▶ 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!
  - We are continually looking for new articles. If it is something relevant in your state, it would probably help other states too!
  - Please send draft articles to [NCSWICGovernance@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:NCSWICGovernance@hq.dhs.gov)

### New SWIC Contact Information

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