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eCourts Project Nears Completion

The eCourts project takes all court data exchange into a paperless environment. Shay Cleary from the State Court Administrator’s Office walked Policy Group members through the timeline for completing the project.

Timeline

- Imaging, eSignature, business workflow tools and public wi-fi have been implemented statewide
- End of 2015 - eFiling & eService implemented statewide
- Other agency document integration work underway
- Minnesota Government Access implementation underway (corrections/probation, social services completed)
- Goal is to complete eCourts project by mid-summer 2016

MN.IT Provides Cybersecurity Update

MN.IT Assistant Commissioner Chris Buse provided an overview for Policy Group members about MN.IT’s efforts to stem the risks and damage from cybersecurity attacks. Buse said cyber threats are MN.IT’s top priority several reasons -- threats are more advanced now than ever before, there’s an ever-increasing interest in doing more with technology, and there’s a greater public demand to prevent and resolve compromised systems.

MN.IT’s strategy is to take the infrastructure that’s been built and optimize it against today’s threats. They are finalizing a new Information Security Strategic Plan which will focus on risk management, tools for understanding risk posture and building better security systems.

Buse said that because IT is so connected from cities to states to private businesses, levels of government must pass security threat information back and forth to protect the larger IT environment. MN.IT is following a law enforcement information sharing model in attempting to accomplish this. But identifying those who attack systems is extremely difficult. BCA Superintendent Drew Evans said the BCA will soon have a special agent who will work with the FBI and focus on cyberattack crimes.

Task Force Subcommittee Updates

Three of four Task Force subcommittees identified during the strategic planning process have begun meeting to better define their activities moving forward. The fourth subcommittee, Education and Innovation, does not yet have enough participants to meet. Subcommittee leaders will provide updates at the March Policy Group meeting.

Policy Group 2016 Meeting Schedule

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BCA Reorganization Redefines Agency Number Two Role

BCA Superintendent Drew Evans walked Policy Group members through the BCA’s redesigned organizational structure. Evans said until now, a single Assistant Superintendent also led the BCA’s investigative division, giving the appearance of priority to that division. The new structure better represents the three equal arms of BCA services – lab, investigations, and MNJIS.

Because language in statute identifies the role of CriMNet Executive Director in the Policy Group/Task Force model, the Deputy Superintendent of MNJIS role includes both titles. Dana Gotz remains in that position. Catherine Knutson will continue as Deputy Superintendent leading the lab. A new Deputy Superintendent of Investigations (replacing Superintendent Evans, who held the role of Assistant Superintendent until his promotion to Superintendent) will be identified at the next Policy Group meeting.

Project Update: Criminal History System Replacement

BCA product managers provided progress report on development of the state’s new Criminal History System.

The system will include all capabilities in the current system, plus improvements including enhanced filtering and searches, and a more readable rap sheet. The project team has been working with a large group of criminal justice stakeholders to identify specific interests and needs in the new system.

The look of the new system continues to evolve, but Policy Group members saw a few screenshots of what’s been built so far. The system is scheduled for statewide implementation in 2017.

Project Update: Crime Reporting System

The base system is built, and all existing data has been migrated from the mainframe of the current system. The 2015 state crime book (published in July 2016) will come out of the new system. The BCA will begin testing summary data submissions to the FBI in January and pilot agency vendors will begin testing submissions in February. The goal is to have the state completely transitioned to NIBRS reporting before 2021, the date proposed by the federal NIBRS initiative to move state and federal agencies away from summary reporting.

A sub-project of the new system underway now will bring incident data into CRS for law enforcement investigative use.

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