

CJIS Criminal Justice Information System (CJIS) Blueprint News



Project Status **YELLOW**

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CISS – What’s in it for YOU?

- The right data.
- In the right format.
- At the right time.
- Supporting critical business processes.
- Improving public service.
- Improving public safety.

What is the CJIS Blueprint Project?

The *CJIS Blueprint Project* is an initiative to assess the current business and technological capabilities of our CJIS partners to identify their future needs and develop a blueprint or plan of action to achieve results. To help us with this initiative, MTG Management Consultants, LLC, has begun the first phase by working with CJIS partners to develop an “as is” logical model view of our current information exchanges (i.e., what exists now). Once the current environment, or as-is logical model, has been fully mapped out, MTG will begin Phase 2. Phase 2 is essentially a vision of the future, or where we want to be, which is called the “to be” logical model. Together, these two models will help us to identify the gaps between where we are and where we want to be. This gap analysis will be the basis for developing system requirements for the new CJIS.

Transition

The CJIS Blueprint Project continues to be in transition. By the time of this publication, you should have received the To-Be Business/Logical Model Report. It provides a vision for what the future CISS environment could look like. The Gap Analysis report is in the final stages of completion. It compares the current CJIS environment with the anticipated CISS environment. The gaps – along with recommended gap-reduction strategies – will form the basis for developing CISS requirements and moving the project forward.

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Where Are the Gaps?

The gap analysis examines the gaps in three areas. They are:

Business Gaps – The gaps related to current versus future business functions of both the justice agencies and the CISS program.

The gap analysis identifies a baseline and a target for each business, functional, and technology component.

Functional Gaps – The gaps related to current versus future functional capabilities and integration needs.

Technology Gaps – The gaps related to current versus future technological capabilities.

The actual analysis includes a detailed description of the gaps and identifies a baseline and a target for each business, functional, and technology component.

The results of the gap analysis will be the basis for the development of CISS requirements – defining what it will take to reduce or eliminate the gaps. The following table provides a high-level overview of the gap analysis results:

Gap Analysis Overview	Gaps								
	Significant			Moderate			None		
Business Gaps				✓					
Functional Gaps	✓								
Technology Gaps					✓				



Addressing Strategic Issues

Many of the issues identified in the gap analysis are tactical, constituting actions necessary to gain a specific goal or objective. During the course of the gap analysis, several strategic issues were also identified. They are issues that are important or essential in relation to the overall CISS program. The resolution of these issues is critical to the success of the CISS program. Strategic issues include:

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- Program scope.
- Program management.
- Project prioritization and sequencing.
- Program funding.
- Lack of agency case management systems.
- Adaptability of agency case management systems.
- Agency staff time limitations.
- LAW agency participation.
- Application and infrastructure support.

The gap analysis makes recommendations on how to address these issues.

What Are Requirements?

Requirements are a detailed listing of each functional and technical condition needed to achieve the CISS environment. In this case, the requirements will be organized in categories defined by the Global Justice Reference Architecture (JRA). The requirements will be included in the CISS Request for Proposal (RFP).

The CISS requirements will necessitate a thorough vetting by the CISS stakeholders. A meeting will be set up in the near future to conduct the review.

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JIEM Update

MTG continues to refine the Justice Information Exchange Model (JIEM). At latest count, there are a total of 514 as-is exchanges; 167 are electronic and

347 are paper exchanges. There are 133 “new” exchanges identified in the JIEM planning sessions. All of these will be electronic. MTG is now categorizing the exchanges according to criticality, the most critical being those that have an immediate impact on public safety. CISS solution providers will be asked to develop the most critical exchanges first.

CISS RFI

A Request for Information (RFI) was released to the solution-provider community on March 31. The purpose of the RFI was to gather information about the solution providers available in this market and the solutions they can offer. Nineteen responses were received. Based on our need for more information, three vendors were selected to make presentations to Connecticut officials on June 4 and 5.

Next Steps

As the CJIS Blueprint Project moves toward the development of the CISS RFP, the involvement of stakeholders is critical. In addition to vetting the requirements, the committees of the CJIS Governing Board will need to become actively involved in tactical and strategic decision making, as well as planning for the initiation of the CISS program. It is an exciting time to be involved!

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Project Status

The CJIS Blueprint Project remains in yellow status due to a delay with the CISS To-Be Business/Logic Model document. That delay was primarily due to the complexity of the proposed future technology environment and additional effort in diagramming new data exchanges. The delay in the to-be report has pushed the gap analysis and subsequent deliverables back.



Next Month – An Overview of the CISS Acquisition Process

