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2001 Workgroups Are Still Accepting New Participants

In an effort to "leave no state government behind," the NECCC is still accepting new participants onto the 2001 workgroups. With the vast array of eGovernment questions the NECCC workgroups are addressing combined with the unyielding demand from citizens and businesses for solutions, the NECCC encourages any and all qualified personnel to participate in their area of knowledge or interest.



Choose between:

- Citizen Confidence, Trust & Voting**
- Project-Based eGovernment and eGovernment Best Practices**
- eProcurement or**
- Research and Development**

To get involved contact either
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eGovernment Best Practice Awards Nominations

The E-Gov 2001 Government Solution Center Awards Committee invites you to nominate your "Best Practice" for delivering Electronic Government services. Twenty honorees will be selected from the nominations received for the E-Gov 2001 "Pioneer Award." Each program selected to be an E-Gov 2001 Pioneer will participate in an all-Government exhibit at the E-Gov 2001 Exposition, to be held July 10 - 11, 2001 at the Washington Convention Center, in Washington, DC.

The Government Solutions Center (GSC) is a focal point of the Exposition and the E-Gov professional educational program. This is excellent opportunity for leaders in E-Government implementation to demonstrate the impact their efforts have on how the public sector does business in the Information Age. Each program selected to participate in the GSC will receive the E-Gov 2001 "Pioneers Award" at the Conference closing lunch ceremony, Thursday, July 12, 2001.

You are invited to nominate your organization's Best Practice. A complete description of the Government Solutions Center, the selection process and criteria, the nomination form, and the benefits accorded to participants can be obtained on the E-Gov home page <<http://www.e-gov.com/participate.asp>> by selecting 'Participate in E-Gov.' Please note that GSC nominations are due no later than Friday, March 30, 2001.



To stay up to speed on all the NECCC activities

Check out the website at:

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NECCC/NGA eSignatures Workgroup Updates

The four eSignatures workgroups were created as a joint venture between the National Governors' Association and NECCC to address the issues arising from the recently enacted *Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act* and UETA legislation. The eSign workgroups will act as complements to each other and follow the same time schedule for deliverables as the new 2001 workgroups. You will also be able to see their presentations at the 5th Annual NECCC Conference in Las Vegas, Nevada this December.

The workgroup is well on its way to developing its first draft addressing the varying levels of certainty desired for identifying a person, attributing a signature to them and assuring the integrity of a document signed by them.

To date, the workgroup has defined three types of risks: risk of monetary loss, reputation risk, and productivity risk. In addressing these risks and evaluating authenticity, reliability, and integrity, the workgroup is defining four levels of trust: rudimentary, basic, medium, and high.

eSignatures—Security

Co-chaired by Nancy Rainosek of Texas and Valerie McNevin of Colorado, the security workgroup has already defined five deliverables: a definition of security and its roles led by Valerie McNevin (CO), the life cycles/stages that an electronic document goes through from creation to destruction led by Michael Totherton (AZ), the processes for classifying data across all agencies led by Claudia Boldman (MA), best practices led by Nancy Rainosek (TX), and potential legislation led by Jerry Johnson (TX).

The Security workgroup is also looking at ways to assign a level of security to a document that stays with the document wherever it goes including other jurisdictions if the document leaves its original jurisdiction.

eSignatures—Interoperability

Chaired by Russ Savage of Arizona, the interoperability workgroup is focused on the best ways to establish electronic signing practices while addressing general reciprocity issues between states.

eSignatures—Policy

Co-chaired by Dan Greenwood of Massachusetts and John Aveni of New York, the policy workgroup will identify those eGovernment policy issues most important to the states by conducting a survey of state information, procurement, finance and other relevant government officials. This workgroup will also complete an in-depth analysis on the following sub-issues: "Consumer Protections on the Internet," "Government Records," and Citizen Participation in Online Government v. The Digital Divide." Lastly, this workgroup acts as a clearinghouse for, identifier of, and consensus builder on policy issues unique to eGovernment initiatives.

eSignatures—Legal

Co-chaired by Marc Hiller of New York and Bill Kellington of Washington, the legal workgroup is focusing on the interpretation of eRecords provisions and the development of performance standards and best practices on record retention.

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Send e-mail to: btupa@nasact.org

Your State or Agency could be in the next issue!

News from States...

STATE OF WYOMING

Update from Joe Ahern

The State of Wyoming is pouring a solid foundation that will support the building of eGovernment/eCommerce while standardizing core functions to match our vision of cooperation and sharing across agency lines. This foundation consists of:

1. eGovernment/eCommerce will enable participation by overcoming geography and extending the workplace, thus empowering citizens to do more for themselves through the use of a single electronic service delivery platform. The public and private sectors will partner to provide the highest levels of convenience, efficiency and security.

This goal is now in the building stage. The State's ePortal with a common services layer (docking station) is being built and tested during the first half of 2001.

2. Information Technology Oversight Panel (ITOP) now has (as a result of House Bill HB0276) the, "...statutory authority to develop and enforce an Enterprise Strategy that will clearly define the policies, standards and vision for the State of Wyoming".

The ITOP consists of 4 Agency Directors and the Director of the Department of Administration and Information.

3. UETA is being sponsored as Senate File SF0116. The passage of UETA will enable a proven and consistent deployment of electronic processes that will effect government and citizens.

UETA passage appears likely. The act is currently intact and well sponsored.

4. PKI, as part of an Enterprise eMail Server Appropriations bill has very strong support and appears headed for approval.

The ability to cross agency lines and adopt a uniform email platform that will be facilitated by a cross agency funding model will set a precedent that will enable sharing through consolidation.

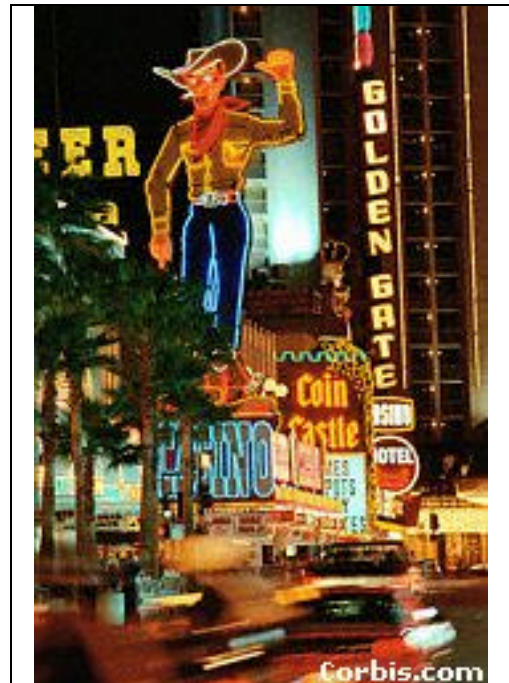
5. The On-Line Government Commission (OLGC) is statutory and consists of the State's 5 elected officials. This committee provides the highest level of sponsorship for the eGovernment/eCommerce strategy.

Governor Jim Geringer (R) and the other 4 elected officials have been instrumental in the development, evaluation and implementation of the eWyoming projects.

For more information on happenings in the state of Wyoming contact Joe Ahern at jahern@state.wy.us

Mark Your Calendars Now!

The 5th Annual NECCC Conference is scheduled to be held at Caesar's Palace in Las Vegas, Nevada December 10-12, 2001
Check for conference updates on the NECCC website



Interested Sponsoring the 5th Annual NECCC Conference?
Contact Evie Barry for more detail at ebarry@nasact.org or call 859-276-1147