

# NEW MEXICO SENTENCING COMMISSION

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## JUSTICE INFORMATION SHARING COUNCIL

10.00 a.m.

Judicial Information Division  
2905 Rodeo Park Dr. East Bldg. #5  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

JISC Present	Members	JISC Members Absent	Others Attending	NMSC Staff
Regina Chacon, Chair		Brandy Toward, AODA	Adrien Herrera, AOC	Amir Chapel
Tony Ortiz, Chair	Vice	Aaron Jones, NMAC	Sonia Abeyta, DPS	
Helen Miller, (for Genevieve Grant)		Richard Clark, Homeland Security		
Jerry Brinegar, NMCD		Daniel Calderon, PDD		
		Jeremy Howard, CYFD		

**Welcome:** Tony Ortiz, Vice Chair, called the meeting to order at 10.10 a.m. Committee members, guests, and staff introduced themselves.

**Approval of minutes for the August 4, 2015 meeting.** The minutes for the previous meeting will be reviewed and approved at the next JISC meeting.

**Staff report.** During the upcoming legislative session, there will be an effort to acquire funding so that the Department of Public Safety (DPS) can prepare criminal history reports for the use of the Judiciary. DPS has included needed funding for this task in its FY 2017 appropriation request. Information in the criminal history reports would be provided to judges for bond determinations and sentencing decisions. The Consolidated Offender Query will be one of the data bases used to prepare the criminal history reports. It was also noted that the timely provision of comprehensive criminal history reports to the Judiciary will be an integral element of the proposed constitutional amendment regarding bail reform.

New Mexico Corrections Department (NMCD) data has appeared on the COQ in the past, but is currently not included. The NMCD will investigate what is needed to get NMCD data back on the COQ.

**Further discussions regarding provision of electronic dispositions to the Department of Public Safety.** Regina Chacon reported that other states face the same challenges as New Mexico with regard to reporting of criminal case dispositions and they report to the federal government at or near the same rate as New Mexico. She did note that New Mexico is now positioned to apply for federal NICS Act Record Improvement Program (NARIP) Awards and will do so in the future.

Amir Chapel reported that other states have successfully applied for NARIP awards by focusing on the following: establishing uniform, automated reporting procedures; establishing systematic training programs to better ensure the accuracy and completeness of criminal history information; and enhancing the development of electronic data exchange between criminal justice entities.

Finally, Regina Chacon reported that information technology staff at DPS are analyzing methods to best use criminal case disposition information provided to DPS by the Administrative Office of the District Attorneys,

**Other business.** Jerry Brinegar reported that New Mexico is one of three states to be selected by the IJIS Institute to develop data standards for Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) reporting. PREA data is a relatively small component of corrections data. Jerry will update the JISC members on this work as it progresses.

**Next meeting.** The next JISC meeting will be held on March 29, 2016, at 10.00 a.m.

**Adjourn.** The meeting adjourned at 11.25 a.m.