



TRIBAL ACCESS PROGRAM

**FOR NATIONAL CRIME INFORMATION
ENSURING THE EXCHANGE OF CRITICAL DATA**

Overview of Tribal Access Program for National Crime Information (TAP)



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Federal law:

- Both Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) 2005 and Tribal Law and Order Act (TLOA) of 2010 provide authorization for tribal law enforcement agencies to access national crime information databases

Challenges:

- Tribal participation in national criminal justice information sharing depends upon state regulations, statutes, and policies in which tribal land is located
- Tribes may face barriers to accessing and entering information into national crime information databases via state networks



- Inconsistent access impacts both tribal and non-tribal jurisdictions
- If Tribal criminal justice community can't contribute to national crime databases - tribal records are unavailable to other jurisdictions
- Responding officers, victims, and entire communities are at risk
- DOJ conducted two pilots in 2010; one is still on-going and will be incorporated into TAP
- TAP is an outgrowth of the pilots and collaboration across the Department, with BIA and tribes
- TAP expands access to all national crime information databases to all authorized tribal civil and criminal justice agencies



- DOJ launched the TAP in August 2015 at DOJ CJIS Tribal Day
- Managed by the DOJ Chief Information Officer but is a collaboration with Office of Tribal Justice, SMART, COPS, FBI CJIS, and tribes
- TAP is composed of three elements:

ACCESS

DOJ serves as the CJIS Systems Agency (CSA) for federally recognized tribes:

DOJ assumes responsibility for granting network access, extending the model used by federal agencies to tribes.

DOJ ensures security training (i.e., personnel, IT, and physical), onboarding/vetting (agency and individual users), training and testing, and auditing.

TECHNOLOGY

DOJ provides integrated workstations:

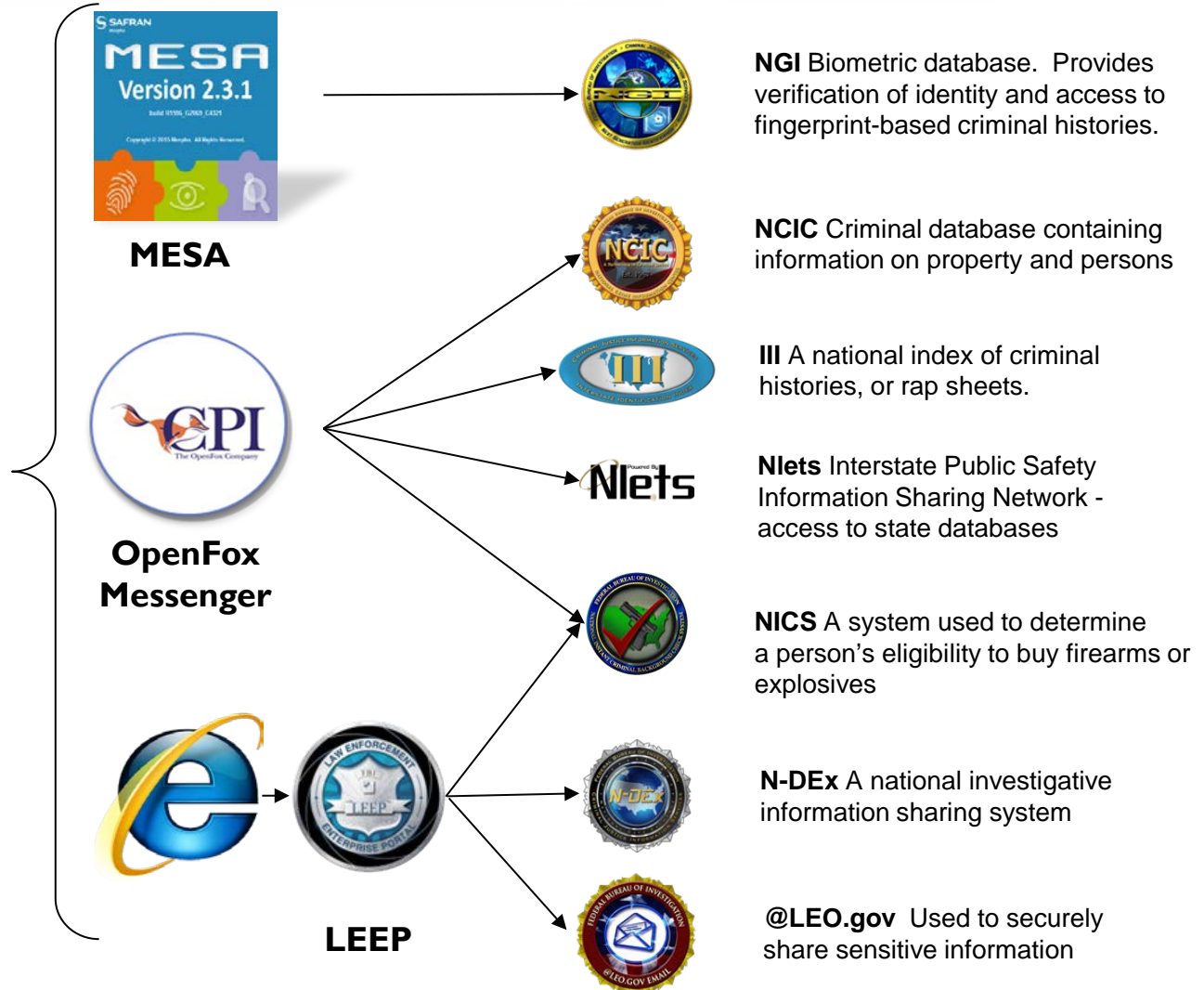
Workstations feature a computer, palm/fingerprint scanner, camera, flatbed scanner, and printer to provide access to and enter data into national crime information systems.

TRAINING

DOJ provides enhanced training and assistance:

TAP provides online and in-person training; assists tribes in analyzing needs and identifying/providing appropriate solutions to maximize the value of national crime information.

Technology: TAP Kiosk Workstation



TAP Kiosk/Workstation



Monitor

Slideout
Keyboard

LiveScan

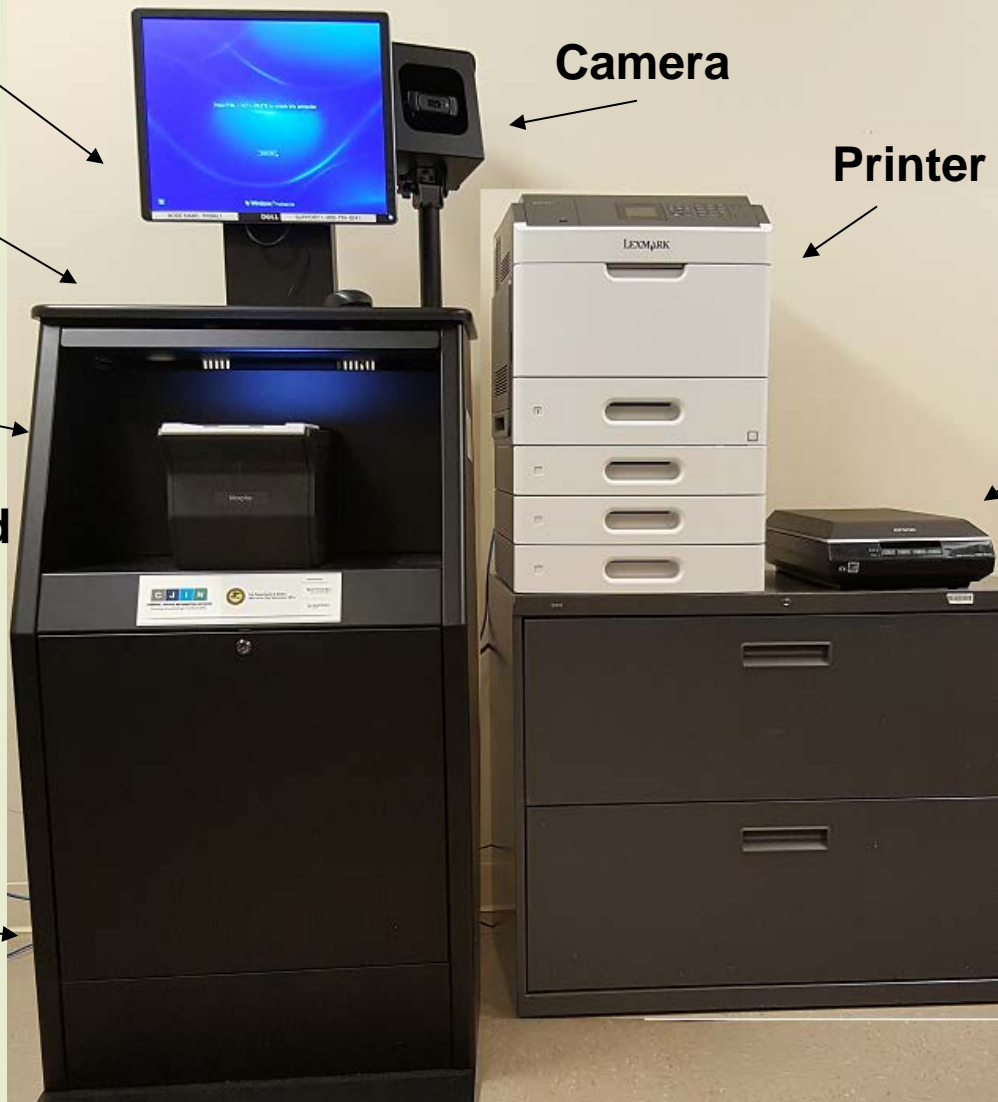
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Kiosk

Computer

Camera

Printer

Scanner



LiveScan Device for Finger and Palm Prints



The screenshot displays the LiveScan software interface. On the left, a hand is being scanned by the device. The software interface includes a top navigation bar with 'SAFRAN Morpho', 'MorphoESA', 'TAP TRIBAL ACCESS PROGRAM', and 'Fingerprints'. A central panel shows a user profile with ID '545000199' and a list of functions: Demographics, Portrait, SMT's, Fingerprints (selected), Palms, Print Card, and Finalize. The main area is titled 'Place right four fingers on scanner' and features a 'Scan' tab, 'Exceptions', and 'Print Summary' sub-tabs. An 'Acquisition Status' section shows a diagram of a hand with 'Slaps' on the fingers and buttons for 'Force Scan', 'Rescan', and 'Bypass'. A large window on the right displays the captured fingerprint image. At the bottom, there are 'Pause', 'Cancel', 'Previous', and 'Next' buttons.

TAP Scanner and Historical Inked Card



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**POLICE DEPARTMENT
CITY OF NEW YORK**

Signature of Person Fingerprinted: [Redacted]

Amputations, Deformities, Scars, Marks: [Redacted]

Date of: [Redacted]

Signature of Person Taking Fingerprints: [Signature]

Indexed By:

Classified By:

Name: [Redacted] Last First Middle

Address:

Alias Record No. Born City State Country

CRIMES

Class. Date Ref.

Sex Race Date of Birth Ht. Day Year Wt. Build Hair Eyes Occupation

1. Right Thumb 2. Right Index 3. Right Middle 4. Right Ring 5. Right Little

6. Left Thumb 7. Left Index 8. Left Middle 9. Left Ring 10. Left Little

Left Four Fingers Taken Simultaneously Left Thumb Right Thumb Right Four Fingers Taken Simultaneously

All Information to be Typewritten



Agencies include:

- Law Enforcement / Police Departments
- Criminal Courts
- Prosecutors Office
- Pretrial Services
- Corrections
- Parole and Probation

- Document tribal arrests and tribal court dispositions
- Access to investigative records to include DOJ Components
- Access unclassified criminal and national security intelligence products
- Access officer safety-related information including gang members & known or suspected terrorists
- Prevent guns from being transferred to prohibited persons
- Enter No Contact Orders
- Secure, encrypted email to exchange sensitive information
- Search and enter information about persons and property



Agencies include:

- Civil Courts
- Tribal Public Housing
- Child Protective Services
- Children's Social Services (e.g. Foster Care)
- Head Start Program

- Register Sex Offenders
- Perform Background Investigations of persons having contact or control over Indian Children
- Respond to or investigate allegations of abuse, neglect, & exploitation of children
- Perform Background Investigation on public housing
- Enter Orders of Protection



- November 2015, DOJ selected 9 tribes to participate in the initial User Feedback Phase to test DOJ’s technology solution and training support; it also enabled tribes to identify and share best practices regarding use
 - Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma
 - Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla of Oregon
 - Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians of North Carolina
 - Gila River Indian Community
 - Keweenaw Bay Indian Community of Michigan
 - Pascua Yaqui Tribe of Arizona
 - Suquamish Indian Tribe of the Port Madison Reservation of Washington
 - Tulalip Tribes of Washington
 - White Mountain Apache Tribe of the Fort Apache Reservation of Arizona.
- Tribes continue to work on Whole of Government solutions
- User Feedback Phase tribes may act as mentors for 2017 tribes



- More than 60 tribal agencies are using TAP to:
 - Register Sex Offenders: +60 Sex Offender related transactions
 - Enter Orders of Protection: +80 Orders of Protection related transactions
 - Prevent Inappropriate Gun Transfers: +115 disqualifying entries have been made to prevent prohibited persons from purchasing firearms
 - Conduct Fingerprint Checks: +250 fingerprint submissions both civil and criminal purposes, with responses in minutes
 - Perform Investigative Use: +1600 NCIC transactions
- TAP has given DOJ better visibility into tribal as well as state challenges related to national information access. TAP learned lessons allow DOJ to better serve tribes and states; e.g.:
 - Tribes can now conduct background checks for certain volunteers
 - Tribal civil courts can directly enter orders of protection



- Located the suspect in the kidnapping of a vulnerable adult and recovered the victim safely by accessing investigative reports from other jurisdictions
- Able to identify an unknown deceased individual through fingerprints
- Stopped a known drug user with mental problems who was found incompetent to stand trial from purchasing a weapon
- Prevented a person convicted of DV from purchasing a firearm after PD identified an imminent threat to former spouse
- A tribe entered all their Orders of Protection via TAP into national systems since the state required victims to take the orders to the county Sheriff for entry
- Tribes can conduct emergency placement of children using BIA Purpose Code X and TAP
- Allowed near-real time decisions to be made about hiring and licensing



- DOJ will continue to make TAP services available to additional tribes in FY 2017.
- Submissions should be sent to TAP.App@usdoj.gov
- Key dates include:
 - October 24-December 2, 2016: Expression of Interest submission period
 - December 16, 2016: Notification to selected tribes
 - December 19-May 31, 2017: Education and Onboarding and Vetting
 - May 9-September 29, 2017: Deployment to selected tribes
- Learn more at <https://www.justice.gov/tribal/tap-program-phases>



- Tribes who have either an Adam Walsh Act Sex Offender Registry, or a tribal law enforcement agency which is not a federal Bureau of Indian Affairs police department
- Tribal government's willingness to participate
- Meets IT requirements of high speed access
- Diversity of the tribe in terms of size and geographic location
- Need for access – though our goal is to reach out to ALL tribes



- **Who should attend:** Tribal leadership should designate a main point of contact that will be the tribal liaison to TAP. This POC will be responsible for coordination across the various tribal agencies throughout the onboarding, training and deployment process. Civil and criminal agency leaders are encouraged to attend this also.

Tuesday, November 8, at 12 pm EST

Thursday, November 10, at 3 pm EST

Monday, November 14, at 1 pm EST

Wednesday, November 16, at 11 am EST

Monday, November 28, at 12 pm EST

- Sign up by sending an email to TAP.App@usdoj.gov



- Any questions?
- Web site: <https://www.justice.gov/tribal/tap>

Thank you for participating!