

Profiles in Data Sharing

Data Sharing Working Group

National Electronic Interstate Compact Enterprise (NEICE)

The National Electronic Interstate Compact Enterprise (NEICE) is a national electronic system for quickly and securely exchanging all the data and documents required by the Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children (ICPC) to place children across state lines. NEICE is a machine-to-machine information exchange system created to replace the previous paper-based information exchange.

The NEICE helps states meet the Family First Prevention Services Act (FFPSA), which requires all states join the national electronic interstate system for processing ICPC cases by 2027.

NEICE benefits both children and staff, greatly reducing the work and time required for states to exchange paperwork and information. Additionally, NEICE allows child welfare workers to communicate and provide timely updates to courts, relevant private service providers, and families.

Other benefits to states include:

- Reduced loss of case documentation through postal mail.
- Improved quality of the ICPC process by allowing states to monitor their ICPC cases, which reduces errors and allows states quick access to a case's status when the case is in process at the receiving state.
- Improved collection and analysis of reliable data to an extent not possible before.
- Financial savings in administrative, mailing and copying, and staff.

Lessons Learned



A machine-to-machine data exchange is much faster than paper. NEICE reduced processing time by two orders of magnitude (180-360 days \rightarrow 1-2 days).



National Information Exchange Model (NIEM) is a standards-based framework for constructing machine-to-machine information exchange specifications. It is especially useful in large enterprises with many developers and overlapping information needs.

Primary Stakeholders

Office of Management and Budget (OMB)

U.S. Department of Health and Human Service (HHS)

38+ U.S. States

American Public Human Services Association (APHSA)

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