



## **NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF STATE CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICERS INFORMATION SHARING INITIATIVES PROGRAM**

State chief information officers are often challenged to stay within a fixed budget while managing multiple information sharing initiatives and providing the most effective government services possible. The Office of Justice Programs' Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), in partnership with the National Association of State Chief Information Officers (NASCIO), provides states with technical assistance and mentoring to support the governance and management of information sharing initiatives.

The information sharing initiatives program is designed for chief information officers (CIOs) at the state, county, municipal, and federal levels. This enterprise architecture approach provides a comprehensive framework to manage business processes, relationships, organization and personnel, operations, and supporting information technology ensuring alignment with each state's overall strategy to help state CIOs make sound decisions for managing information-related assets.

NASCIO provides a wide range of resources and technical assistance on enterprise architecture and its value across all levels of government, including:

- *The States and Enterprise Architecture: How far have we come? Findings from the NASCIO 2005 EA Assessment*, which provides a point-in-time look at the level of adoption and sophistication of state enterprise architecture programs
- *Enterprise Architecture Business Case Summary*, which is a collection of success stories from a variety of sources. NASCIO members have found that success stories provide an invaluable dimension of the underlying analysis when presenting the business case for enterprise architecture-related projects.
- *Perspectives: Government Information Sharing—Calls to Action*, which describes the major barriers to information sharing within and across government lines of and ways to overcome them.

The Adaptive Enterprise Architecture Development Program has the following benefits:

- Provides effective methodology and structure to assist governments as they build capacity and introduce cost-effective measures that support the use of information technology in transforming government.
- Enhances government's ability to effectively and efficiently deliver timely citizen services.
- Promotes interoperability within government, industry, and academia.
- Promotes ongoing evaluation of enterprise needs.

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