2011 Fusion Center Assessment Individual Report

Arizona Counter Terrorism Information Center

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Introduction

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), in coordination with its interagency partnersⁱ and the National Network of Fusion Centers (National Network), conducted the 2011 Fusion Center Assessment (2011 Assessment) to demonstrate the value of the National Network in protecting and securing the homeland. Fusion centers are analytic hubs responsible for applying a local context to the national threat picture to support prevention and protection activities at the federal, state and local levels. This assessment is a critical element of a broader Fusion Center Performance Program that will measure the capability and performance of the National Network. The 2011 Assessment measures the maturity of fusion center capabilities, which will allow state and local leaders to identify areas to strengthen capabilities and to support investment requests. Assessment data will also allow the Federal Government to better target support to help fusion centers mitigate capability gaps and maintain those capabilities already in place.

In order to assess the capabilities of the National Network, the 2011 Assessment determined the progress of fusion center's achievement of the Critical Operational Capabilities (COCs) (Receive, Analyze, Disseminate, and Gather), which reflect the operational priorities of the National Network, and Enabling Capabilities (ECs) (Privacy/Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, Sustainment, Communications and Outreach, and Security), which strengthens the fusion process.

Scope and Methodology

The scope of the 2011 Assessment is the progress made by the National Network in achieving the COCs and ECs from October 1, 2010 to August 1, 2011. Individual Fusion Center Reports detail the result of each fusion center independently, providing Fusion Center Directors information necessary to develop Homeland Security Grant Program Investment Justifications, guide resource allocation in general, and improve center operations.

In order to determine the progress made in implementing the COCs and ECs, Fusion Center Directors responded to an online questionnaire. DHS and its federal partners validated this data by conducting thorough reviews of the submissions to ensure consistency of data and minimize data discrepancies. Following these reviews, DHS conducted structured interviews with Fusion Center Directors to address identified issues. DHS analyzed this validated assessment data to evaluate fusion center progress towards achievement of the COCs and ECs.

This report reflects fusion center scores for each COC and EC, as well as an overall score. The highest possible score a fusion center can receive is 100 points. As seen in the graphic below, the overall score is computed by adding all COC and EC scores. All four ECs equal the weight of one COC.



¹ Interagency partner participation included members of the Fusion Center Subcommittee of the Information Sharing and Access Interagency Policy Committee: Department of Defense, Department of Justice(DOJ), Nationwide Suspicious Activity Reporting Initiative Program Management Office, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Office of National Drug Control Policy, Program Manager for the Information Sharing Environment, and the DOJ Global Justice Information Sharing Initiative's Criminal Intelligence Coordinating Council which serves in an advisory role to the Subcommittee.

Arizona Counter Terrorism Information Center (ACTIC)

Overall Score: 75.0 National

76.8

Network Average:

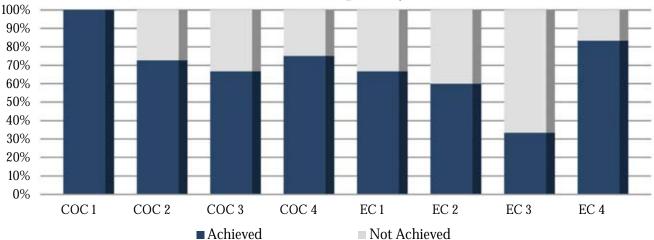
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, all hazards, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: 63 full time, 0 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2004

	Total	<u>Fus</u>	ion Center		National 1	<u>Network</u>
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	5	20.0	100%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	8	14.5	72.7%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	4	13.3	66.7%	13.1	65.7%
COC 4: Gather	8	6	15.0	75.0%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	4	3.3	66.7%	4.1	82.2%
EC 2: Sustainment	5	3	3.0	60.0%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	1	1.7	33.3%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	5	4.2	83.3%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

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COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC I is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The ACTIC has achieved 5 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	5	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	Yes
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

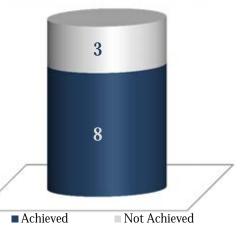
COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The **ACTIC has achieved 8 of these attributes**.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	8	20	14.5	72.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	No
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	No
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	No
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The ACTIC has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes		Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	4	20	13.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	No
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	Yes
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No

COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The ACTIC has achieved 6 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Not Achieved

Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	6	20	15.0	75.0%

Attributes	Capability		
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes		
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes		
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes		
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes		
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	Yes		
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	No		
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	No		
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes		

<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

<u>**Definition:**</u> The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans

For fusion centers to successfully engage in information sharing, they must share information in a manner that protects the rights of citizens. Fusion centers implement privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. **EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The ACTIC has achieved**

4 of these attributes.

EC Score:	3.3
Percent:	66.7 %

Number of Attributes Achieved



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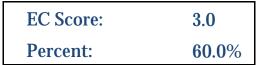
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	4	5	3.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	No
3. Fusion center's policies, processes, and mechanisms for receiving, cataloging, and retaining information (provided to the center) comply with 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
4. Fusion center trains all personnel who access criminal intelligence systems in 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
5. Fusion center has identified a Privacy/CRCL Officer for the center	Yes
6. Fusion center has a privacy policy outreach plan	No

EC 2: Sustainment

Definition: The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

To ensure the long term growth and maturation of the National Network of Fusion Centers, fusion centers must develop and execute strategies aimed at ensuring their long-term sustainment and reflecting the return on the investment of resources. By implementing strategies, fusion centers can more efficiently and effectively apply resources to achieve and maintain critical and enabling capabilities and perform core missions. EC 2 has 5 attributes, each worth 1 point. The ACTIC has achieved 3 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



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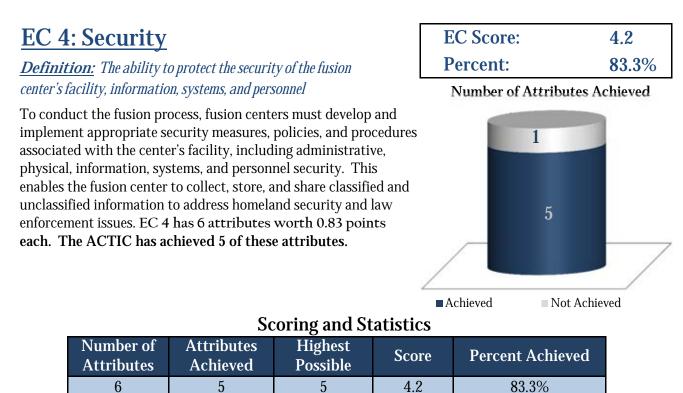
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	3	5	3.0	60.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	Yes
2. Fusion center conducts an annual financial audit	Yes
3. Fusion center completes annual operational cost assessment	Yes
4. Fusion center conducts an exercise at least once a year	No
5. Fusion center measures its performance and determines the effectiveness of its operations relative to expectations it or its governing entity have defined	No

EC Score: EC 3: Communications and 1.7 **Outreach Percent:** 33.3% **Definition:** The ability to develop and execute a communications and Number of Attributes Achieved outreach plan By establishing and enhancing collaborative relationships with fusion center stakeholders, fusion centers can expand their customer base and enhance information flow with these partners. 2 Successful communications and outreach activities enable fusion centers to engage law enforcement, as well as multidisciplinary partners in the fusion process. The 3 attributes of EC 3 are worth 1.67 points. The ACTIC has achieved 1 of these attributes. 1 Achieved Not Achieved **Scoring and Statistics**

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
3	1	5	1.7	33.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	Yes
2. Fusion center has an approved communication plan	No
3. Fusion center has a process for capturing success stories	No



Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved security plan that addresses personnel, physical and information security	No
2. Fusion center trains all personnel on the fusion center's security plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has a designated Security Liaison	Yes
4. Fusion center's Security Liaison (or other organization's Security Liaison) completes annual training	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to the Central Verification System (CVS)	Yes
6. Fusion center's Security Liaison (or other organization's Security Liaison) is trained on how to use CVS	Yes

Appendix I. Strengthening Fusion Center Capabilities through Gap Mitigation

Federal, state, and local fusion center stakeholders share a common goal of supporting a nationwide capacity for receiving, analyzing, disseminating and gathering threat information. The purpose of gap mitigation is to assist fusion centers in fully achieving and maintaining their capacity to execute the COCs, the ECs, and additional priority areas. Building these capabilities requires support across four key components:

- 1. <u>Policies and Processes:</u> By having documented policies and processes, a fusion center has the ability to focus organizational resources on the consistent, standardized, and effective execution of the capability.
- 2. <u>**People:**</u> By having people with the appropriate training, skills, and knowledge, the fusion center has the expertise to execute the capability.
- 3. <u>Technology</u>: By having access to relevant technology, the fusion center has the ability to execute the capability in a timely, efficient, and cost effective manner.
- 4. <u>**Partners:**</u> By working with partners, the fusion center has the ability to execute and deliver the capability to meet evolving customer needs and requirements.

In 2012, the Federal Government will continue to focus its support for fusion centers through the delivery and deployment of gap mitigation resources. These gap mitigation resources provide fusion centers with the knowledge, skills, and tools necessary to enable the effective execution of the fusion process.

Informed by the results of the 2011 Fusion Center Assessment (2011 Assessment), both in terms of fusion centers' capabilities and of the effectiveness of federal support, the Federal Government identified those resources that can most effectively support fusion centers with mitigating identified capability gaps. As part of this process, the Federal Government identified over 40 new or existing activities to support gap mitigation efforts in 2012. These activities are aligned to the four COCs, the four ECs, and an additional priority area of Governance.

The full menu of 2012 gap mitigation activities will be shared with Fusion Center Directors and also included in the 2011 Fusion Center Assessment Final Report. By leveraging the resources identified in this document, the National Network of Fusion Centers can enhance their capabilities in a manner that not only increases the efficacy and efficiency of individual fusion centers but also supports the maturation of an integrated National Network.

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Alabama Fusion Center (AFC)

Overall Score: 59.9

76.8

National Network Average:

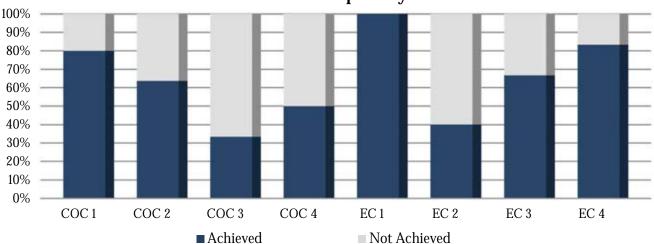
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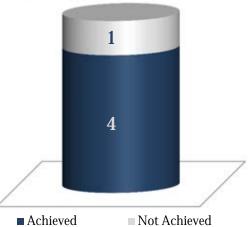
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to threats. **7C7** %[gWa df]gXCZ) UHf]Vi hgzk cfh 4 points each. The AFC has achieved 4 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	20	16.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	No
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

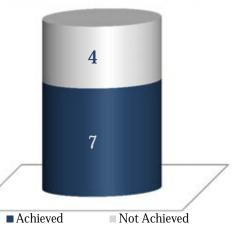
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	7	20	12.7	63.6%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	No
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conductgthreat assessments within its AOF	Yes
7. Fusion center contributegto or conductga statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributegto national-level risk assessments	No
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	No
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	No

COC 3: Disseminate

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	2	20	6.7	33.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	No
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	No
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	No
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No

COC 4: Gather

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

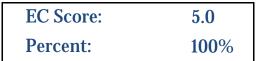
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8	4	20	10.0	50.0%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes			
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes			
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	No			
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	No			
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	No			
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	No			
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	Yes			
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes			

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Achieved

Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	6	5	5.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

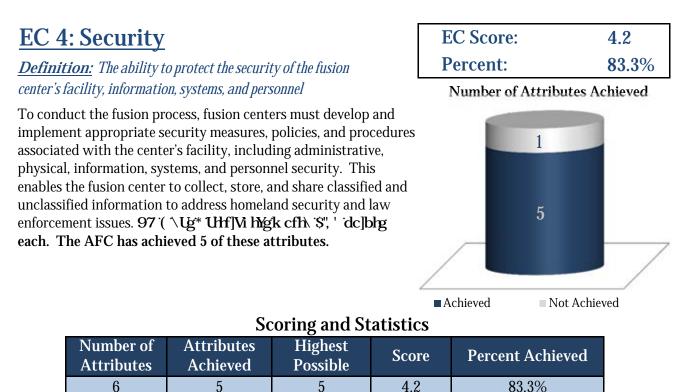
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	2	5	2.0	40.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	No
2. Fusion center conducts an annual financial audit	No
3. Fusion center completes annual operational cost assessment	Yes
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EC Score: EC 3: Communications and 3.3 **Outreach Percent:** 66.7% **Definition:** The ability to develop and execute a communications and Number of Attributes Achieved outreach plan By establishing and enhancing collaborative relationships with fusion center stakeholders, fusion centers can expand their 1 customer base and enhance information flow with these partners. Successful communications and outreach activities enable fusion centers to engage law enforcement, as well as multidisciplinary partners in the fusion process. The 3 attributes of EC 3 are 2 worth 1.67 points. The AFC has achieved 2 of these attributes. Achieved Not Achieved **Scoring and Statistics**

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
3	2	5	3.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
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Alaska Information and Analysis Center (AKIAC)

Overall Score: 74.0

76.8

National Network Average:

Demographic Information

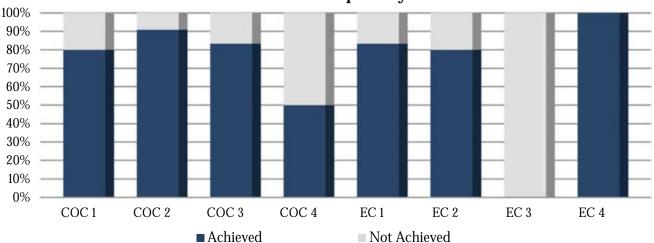
RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All hazards

Staffing Levels: 9 full time, 0 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2009

	Total	<u>Fus</u>	ion Center		National 1	<u>Network</u>
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	4	16.0	80.0%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	10	18.2	90.9%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	5	16.7	83.3%	13.1	65.7%
COC 4: Gather	8	4	10.0	50.0%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	5	4.2	83.3%	4.1	82.2%
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EC 3: Communications	3	0	0.0	0.0%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	6	5.0	100%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

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COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC 1 is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The AKIAC has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Numbe Attribu	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	20	16.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	No
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	Yes
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

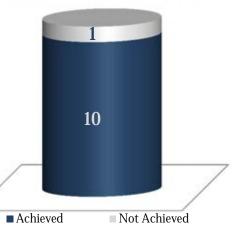
COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The **AKIAC has achieved 10 of these attributes**.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	10	20	18.2	90.9%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	No
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AO	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	Yes
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

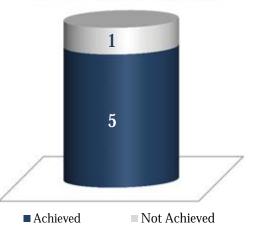
COC 3: Disseminate

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	5	20	16.7	83.3%

Attributes	Capability		
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	No		
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes		
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	Yes		
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	Yes		
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes		
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	Yes		

COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	4	20	10.0	50.0%

Attributes	Capability		
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	No		
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	No		
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes		
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes		
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	No		
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	Yes		
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	No		
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes		

<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

<u>Definition</u>: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans

For fusion centers to successfully engage in information sharing, they must share information in a manner that protects the rights of citizens. Fusion centers implement privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. **EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The AKIAC has achieved**

5 of these attributes.

EC Score:	4.2
Percent:	83.3 %

Number of Attributes Achieved

Achieved Not Achieved

Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	5	5	4.2	83.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	Yes
3. Fusion center's policies, processes, and mechanisms for receiving, cataloging, and retaining information (provided to the center) comply with 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
4. Fusion center trains all personnel who access criminal intelligence systems in 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
5. Fusion center has identified a Privacy/CRCL Officer for the center	Yes
6. Fusion center has a privacy policy outreach plan	No

EC 2: Sustainment

Definition: The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

To ensure the long term growth and maturation of the National Network of Fusion Centers, fusion centers must develop and execute strategies aimed at ensuring their long-term sustainment and reflecting the return on the investment of resources. By implementing strategies, fusion centers can more efficiently and effectively apply resources to achieve and maintain critical and enabling capabilities and perform core missions. **EC 2 has 5 attributes, each worth 1 point. The AKIAC has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



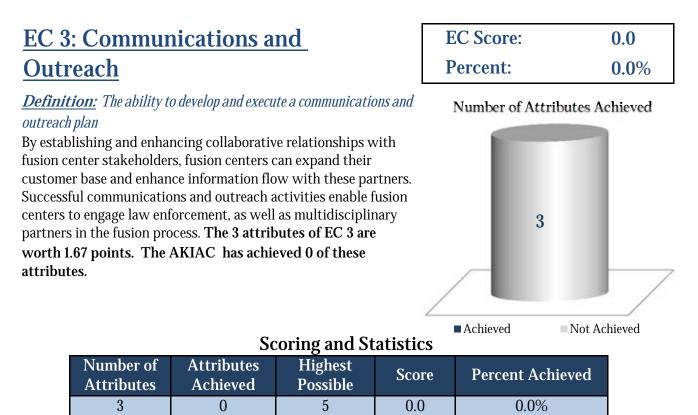
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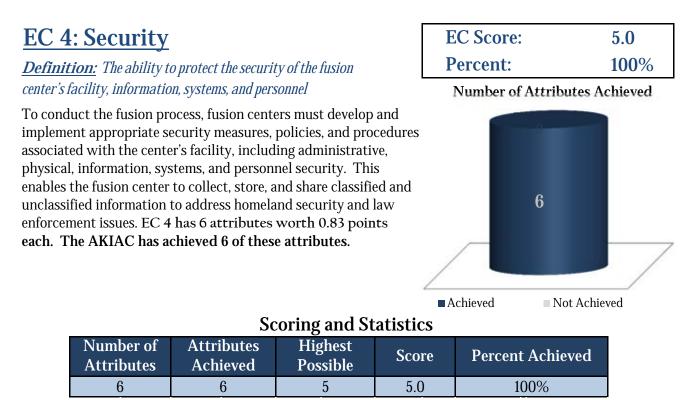
Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	5	4.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	No
2. Fusion center conducts an annual financial audit	Yes
3. Fusion center completes annual operational cost assessment	Yes
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Arkansas State Fusion Center (ASFC)

Overall Score:59.2

76.8

National Network Average:

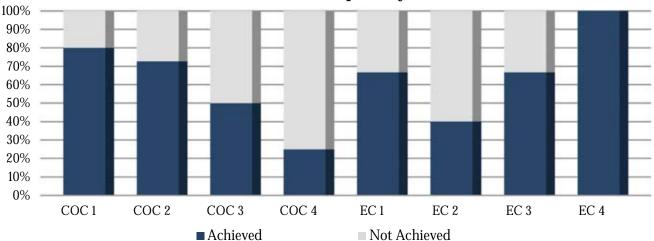
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, all threats, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: 8 full time, 0 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2009

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Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	20	16.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	No
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
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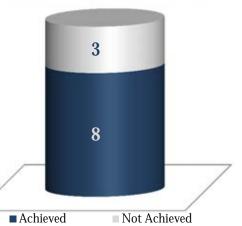
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	8	20	14.5	72.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	No
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AO	Yes
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8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	No
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	No
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	3	20	10.0	50.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	No
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	No
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No

COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The ASFC has achieved 2 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	2	20	5.0	25.0%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes			
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	No			
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	No			
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	No			
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	No			
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	No			
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	No			
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EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and **Civil Liberties**

Definition: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans

For fusion centers to successfully engage in information sharing, they must share information in a manner that protects the rights

of citizens. Fusion centers implement privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The ASFC has achieved 4 of these attributes.

EC Score:	3.3
Percent:	66.7 %

Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	4	5	3.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	No
3. Fusion center's policies, processes, and mechanisms for receiving, cataloging, and retaining information (provided to the center) comply with 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
4. Fusion center trains all personnel who access criminal intelligence systems in 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
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<u>**Definition:**</u> The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

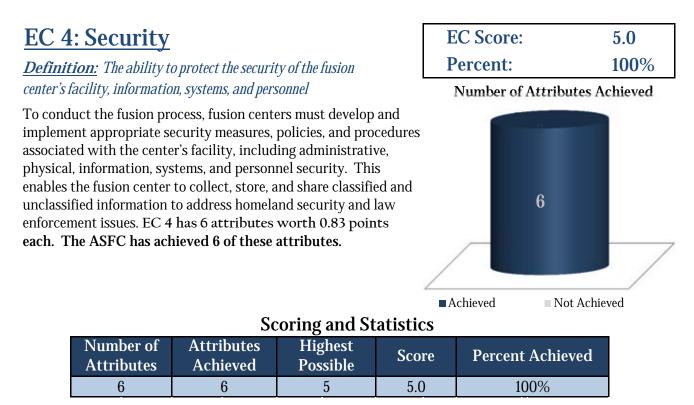
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5	2	5	2.0	40.0%

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1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	No
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3. Fusion center completes annual operational cost assessment	No
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Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
3	2	5	3.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
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2011 Fusion Center Assessment Individual Report

Boston Regional Intelligence Center

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Boston Regional Intelligence Center (BRIC)

Overall Score: 66.9 National 76.8

Network Average:

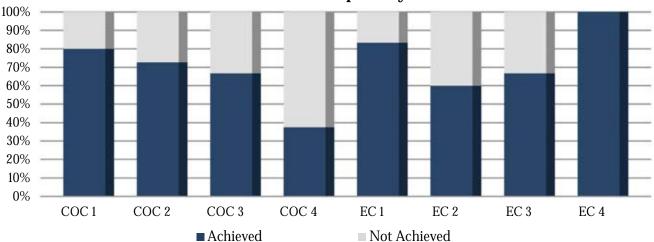
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Recognized Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, all hazards, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: 40 full time, 0 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2005

	Total	<u>Fusion Center</u>			National 1	<u>Network</u>
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	4	16.0	80.0%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	8	14.5	72.7%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	4	13.3	66.7%	13.1	65.7%
COC 4: Gather	8	3	7.5	37.5%	15.4	76.9%
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EC 2: Sustainment	5	3	3.0	60.0%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	2	3.3	66.7%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	6	5.0	100%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC 1 is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The BRIC has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	20	16.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	No
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	Yes
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

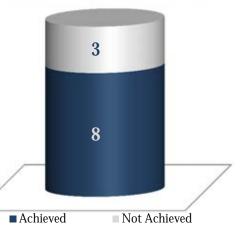
COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The **BRIC has achieved 8 of these attributes**.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of	Attributes	Highest	Score	Percent Achieved
Attributes	Achieved	Possible	Score	
11	8	20	14.5	72.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	No
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	No
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	No
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The BRIC has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes		Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	4	20	13.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	No
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	No
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	Yes
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	Yes
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	Yes

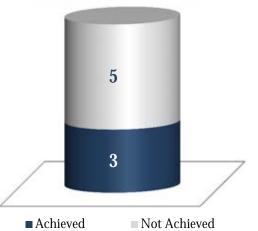
COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The BRIC has achieved 3 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



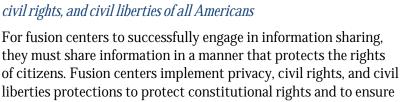
Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	3	20	7.5	37.5%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	No
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	No
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	No
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	No
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	No
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<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

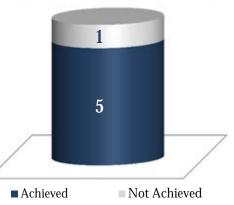
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

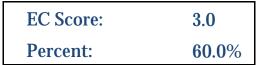
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	5	5	4.2	83.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
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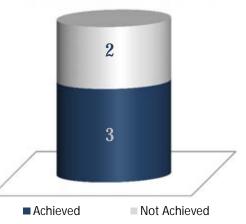
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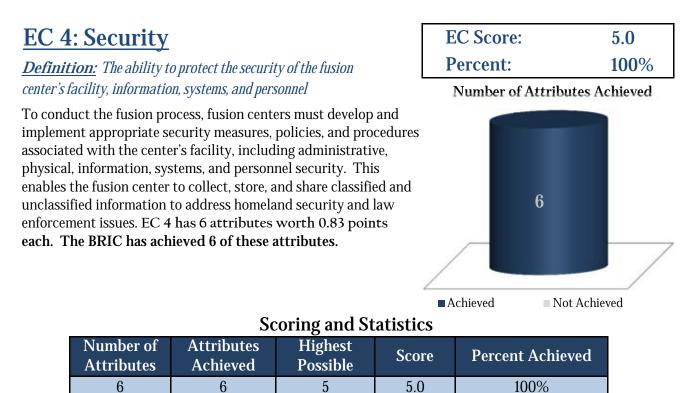
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5	3	5	3.0	60.0%

Attributes	Capability
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California State Threat Assessment Center (STAC)

Overall Score:75.5National
Network Average:76.8

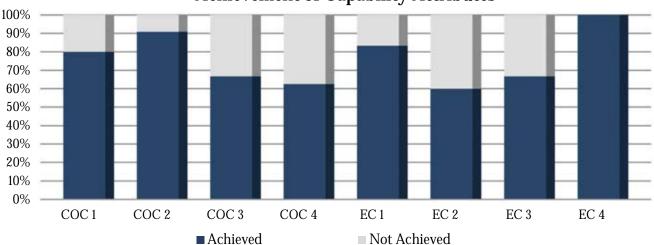
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: 17 full time, 2 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2005

	Total	<u>Fus</u>	ion Center	National 1	<u>Network</u>	
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	20	16.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
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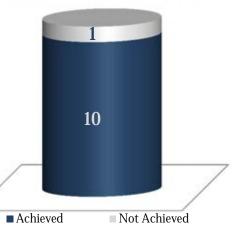
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

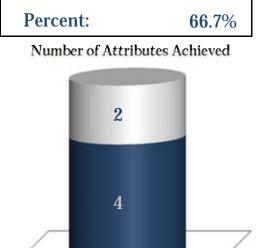
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	10	20	18.2	90.9%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	No
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The STAC has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



13.3

Achieved Not Achieved

COC Score:

Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	4	20	13.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	No
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	Yes
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	Yes
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No

COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The STAC has achieved 5 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



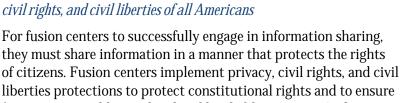
Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	5	20	12.5	62.5%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	No			
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	No			
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes			
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	No			
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	Yes			
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	Yes			
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	Yes			
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes			

<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

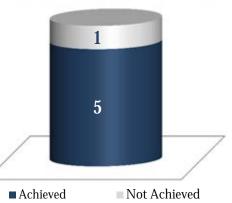
<u>Definition</u>: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans



fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. **EC 1 has** 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The STAC has achieved 5 of these attributes.

EC Score:	4.2
Percent:	83.3%

Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	<u>8</u> So		Percent Achieved
6	5	5	4.2	83.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	Yes
3. Fusion center's policies, processes, and mechanisms for receiving, cataloging, and retaining information (provided to the center) comply with 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
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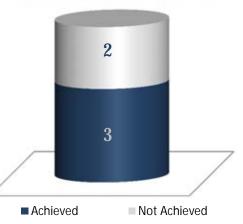
EC 2: Sustainment

<u>**Definition:**</u> The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

To ensure the long term growth and maturation of the National Network of Fusion Centers, fusion centers must develop and execute strategies aimed at ensuring their long-term sustainment and reflecting the return on the investment of resources. By implementing strategies, fusion centers can more efficiently and effectively apply resources to achieve and maintain critical and enabling capabilities and perform core missions. **EC 2 has 5 attributes, each worth 1 point. The STAC has achieved 3 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



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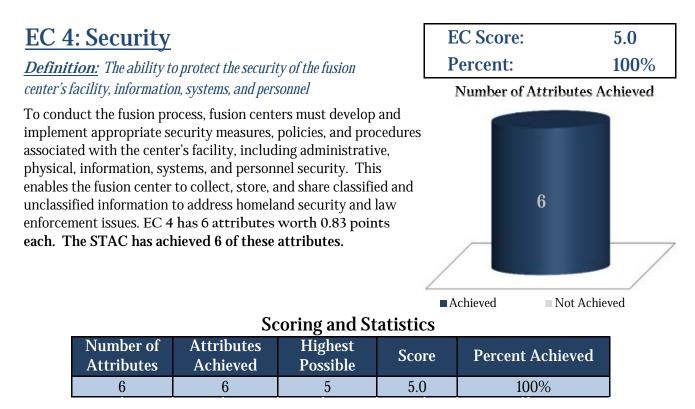
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	3	5	3.0	60.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	Yes
2. Fusion center conducts an annual financial audit	Yes
3. Fusion center completes annual operational cost assessment	Yes
4. Fusion center conducts an exercise at least once a year	No
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EC Score: EC 3: Communications and 3.3 **Outreach Percent:** 66.7% **Definition:** The ability to develop and execute a communications and Number of Attributes Achieved outreach plan By establishing and enhancing collaborative relationships with fusion center stakeholders, fusion centers can expand their 1 customer base and enhance information flow with these partners. Successful communications and outreach activities enable fusion centers to engage law enforcement, as well as multidisciplinary partners in the fusion process. The 3 attributes of EC 3 are 2 worth 1.67 points. The STAC has achieved 2 of these attributes. Achieved Not Achieved **Scoring and Statistics**

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Attributes	Capability
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Appendix I. Strengthening Fusion Center Capabilities through Gap Mitigation

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Central California Intelligence Center

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¹ Interagency partner participation included members of the Fusion Center Subcommittee of the Information Sharing and Access Interagency Policy Committee: Department of Defense, Department of Justice(DOJ), Nationwide Suspicious Activity Reporting Initiative Program Management Office, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Office of National Drug Control Policy, Program Manager for the Information Sharing Environment, and the DOJ Global Justice Information Sharing Initiative's Criminal Intelligence Coordinating Council which serves in an advisory role to the Subcommittee.

Central California Intelligence Center (CCIC)

National Network Average: 76.8

96.7

Overall Score:

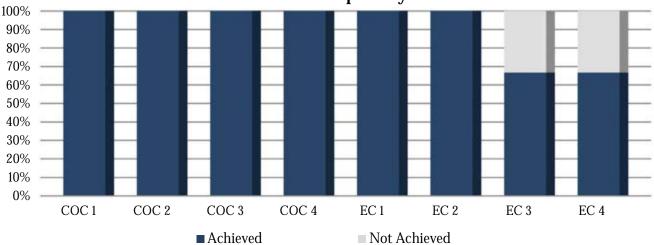
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Recognized Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: N/A Year Fusion Center Established: 2004

	Total	Total <u>Fusion Center</u>			<u>National</u>	Network
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	5	20.0	100%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	11	20.0	100%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	6	20.0	100%	13.1	65.7%
COC 4: Gather	8	8	20.0	100%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	6	5.0	100%	4.1	82.2%
EC 2: Sustainment	5	5	5.0	100%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	2	3.3	66.7%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	4	3.3	66.7%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

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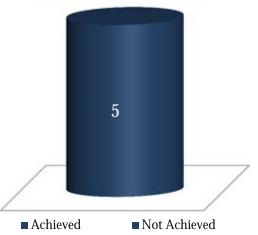
COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC I is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The CCIC has achieved 5 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



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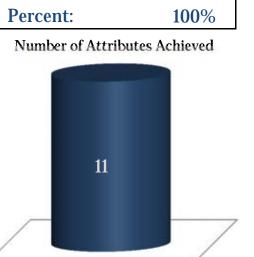
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5	5	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	Yes
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The **CCIC has achieved 11 of these attributes**.



Not Achieved

20.0

COC Score:

Achieved

Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	11	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
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9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	6	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	8	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes			
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes			
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes			
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes			
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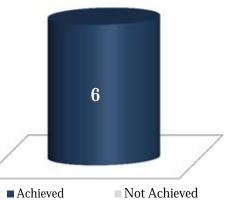
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For fusion centers to successfully engage in information sharing, they must share information in a manner that protects the rights of citizens. Fusion centers implement privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The CCIC has achieved 6 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



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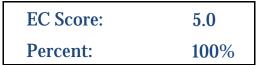
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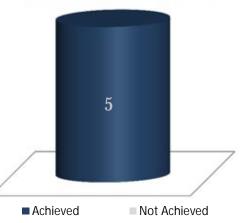
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Number of Attributes Achieved



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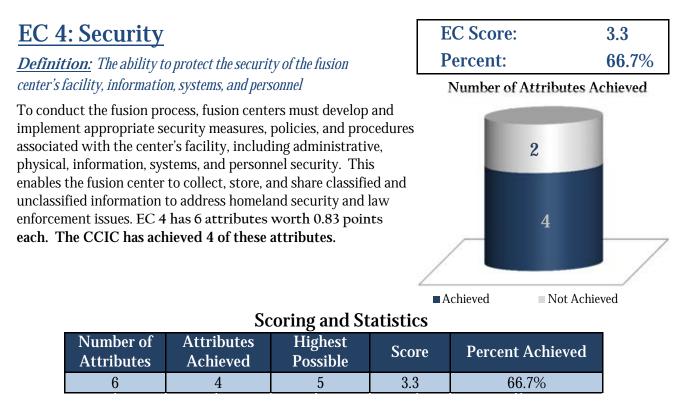
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Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
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This report reflects fusion center scores for each COC and EC, as well as an overall score. The highest possible score a fusion center can receive is 100 points. As seen in the graphic below, the overall score is computed by adding all COC and EC scores. All four ECs equal the weight of one COC.



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Commonwealth Fusion Center (CFC)

Overall Score: 68.7

76.8

National Network Average:

Demographic Information

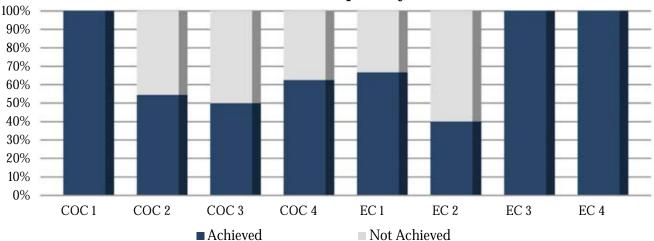
RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes

Staffing Levels: 41 full time, 5 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2004

	Total	<u>Fus</u>	ion Center		National 1	Network
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	5	20.0	100%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	6	10.9	54.5%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	3	10.0	50.0%	1' '%	65"+%
COC 4: Gather	8	5	12.5	62.5%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	4	3.3	66.7%	4.1	82.2%
EC 2: Sustainment	5	2	2.0	40.0%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	3	5.0	100%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	6	5.0	100%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

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COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC 1 is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The CFC has achieved 5 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



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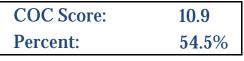
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	5	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	Yes
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The **CFC has achieved 6 of these attributes**.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	6	20	10.9	54.5%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	No
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	No
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessment	No
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	No
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	No

COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The CFC has achieved 3 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	3	20	10.0	50.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	No
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	No
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No

COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	5	20	12.5	62.5%

Attributes	Capability	
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes	
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes	
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes	
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes	
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	No	
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	No	
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	No	
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes	

EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and **Civil Liberties**

Definition: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans

For fusion centers to successfully engage in information sharing,

they must share information in a manner that protects the rights of citizens. Fusion centers implement privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The CFC has achieved 4 of these attributes.

EC Score:	3.3
Percent:	66.7 %

Number of Attributes Achieved



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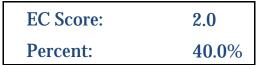
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	4	5	3.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability	
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes	
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	No	
3. Fusion center's policies, processes, and mechanisms for receiving, cataloging, and retaining information (provided to the center) comply with 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes	
4. Fusion center trains all personnel who access criminal intelligence systems in 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes	
5. Fusion center has identified a Privacy/CRCL Officer for the center	Yes	
6. Fusion center has a privacy policy outreach plan	No	

EC 2: Sustainment

Definition: The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

To ensure the long term growth and maturation of the National Network of Fusion Centers, fusion centers must develop and execute strategies aimed at ensuring their long-term sustainment and reflecting the return on the investment of resources. By implementing strategies, fusion centers can more efficiently and effectively apply resources to achieve and maintain critical and enabling capabilities and perform core missions. **EC 2 has 5 attributes, each worth 1 point. The CFC has achieved 2 of these attributes.**



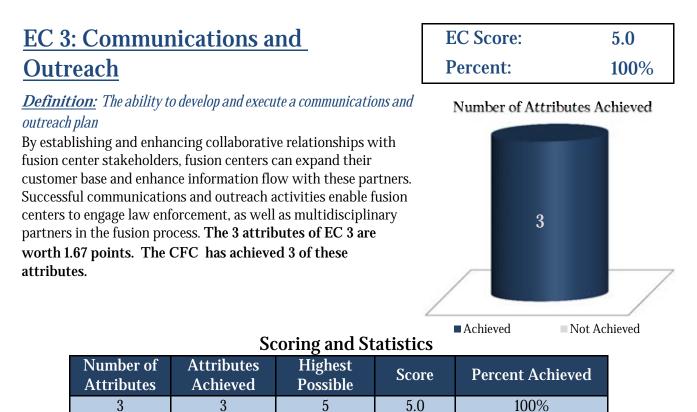
Number of Attributes Achieved



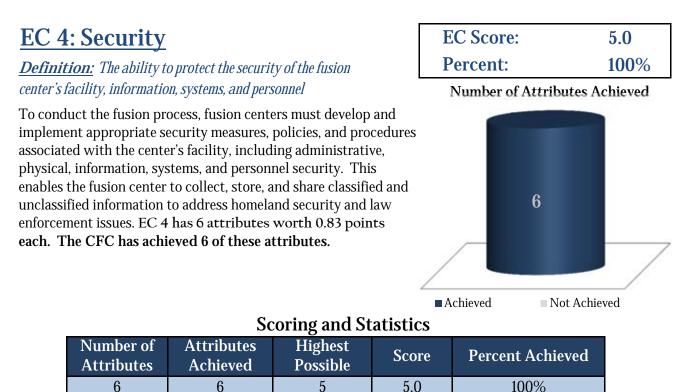
Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	2	5	2.0	40.0%

Attributes	Capability	
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	No	
2. Fusion center conducts an annual financial audit	No	
3. Fusion center completes annual operational cost assessment	Yes	
4. Fusion center conducts an exercise at least once a year	Yes	
5. Fusion center measures its performance and determines the effectiveness of its operations relative to expectations it or its governing entity have defined	No	



Attributes	Capability	
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	Yes	
2. Fusion center has an approved communication plan	Yes	
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Attributes	Capability	
1. Fusion center has an approved security plan that addresses personnel, physical and information security	Yes	
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3. Fusion center has a designated Security Liaison	Yes	
4. Fusion center's Security Liaison (or other organization's Security Liaison) completes annual training	Yes	
5. Fusion center has access to the Central Verification System (CVS)	Yes	
6. Fusion center's Security Liaison (or other organization's Security Liaison) is trained on how to use CVS	Yes	

Appendix I. Strengthening Fusion Center Capabilities through Gap Mitigation

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- 1. <u>Policies and Processes:</u> By having documented policies and processes, a fusion center has the ability to focus organizational resources on the consistent, standardized, and effective execution of the capability.
- 2. <u>**People:**</u> By having people with the appropriate training, skills, and knowledge, the fusion center has the expertise to execute the capability.
- 3. <u>Technology</u>: By having access to relevant technology, the fusion center has the ability to execute the capability in a timely, efficient, and cost effective manner.
- 4. <u>**Partners:**</u> By working with partners, the fusion center has the ability to execute and deliver the capability to meet evolving customer needs and requirements.

In 2012, the Federal Government will continue to focus its support for fusion centers through the delivery and deployment of gap mitigation resources. These gap mitigation resources provide fusion centers with the knowledge, skills, and tools necessary to enable the effective execution of the fusion process.

Informed by the results of the 2011 Fusion Center Assessment (2011 Assessment), both in terms of fusion centers' capabilities and of the effectiveness of federal support, the Federal Government identified those resources that can most effectively support fusion centers with mitigating identified capability gaps. As part of this process, the Federal Government identified over 40 new or existing activities to support gap mitigation efforts in 2012. These activities are aligned to the four COCs, the four ECs, and an additional priority area of Governance.

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2011 Fusion Center Assessment Individual Report

Central Florida Intelligence Exchange

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Introduction

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), in coordination with its interagency partnersⁱ and the National Network of Fusion Centers (National Network), conducted the 2011 Fusion Center Assessment (2011 Assessment) to demonstrate the value of the National Network in protecting and securing the homeland. Fusion centers are analytic hubs responsible for applying a local context to the national threat picture to support prevention and protection activities at the federal, state and local levels. This assessment is a critical element of a broader Fusion Center Performance Program that will measure the capability and performance of the National Network. The 2011 Assessment measures the maturity of fusion center capabilities, which will allow state and local leaders to identify areas to strengthen capabilities and to support investment requests. Assessment data will also allow the Federal Government to better target support to help fusion centers mitigate capability gaps and maintain those capabilities already in place.

In order to assess the capabilities of the National Network, the 2011 Assessment determined the progress of fusion center's achievement of the Critical Operational Capabilities (COCs) (Receive, Analyze, Disseminate, and Gather), which reflect the operational priorities of the National Network, and Enabling Capabilities (ECs) (Privacy/Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, Sustainment, Communications and Outreach, and Security), which strengthens the fusion process.

Scope and Methodology

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Central Florida Intelligence Exchange (CFIX)

National Network Average: 76.8

70.3

Demographic Information

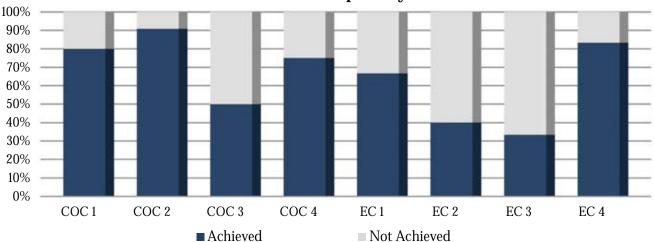
RAC Category: Recognized Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, all hazards Staffing Levels: 15 full time, 0 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2007

Overall Score:

	Total	Fusion Center			National 1	<u>Network</u>
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	4	16.0	80.0%	17.1	85.6%
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EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	4	3.3	66.7%	4.1	82.2%
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Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

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Achievement of Capability Attributes

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COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	20	16.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	No
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible Score	Score	Percent Achieved
11	10	20	18.2	90.9%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	No
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	Yes
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	3	20	10.0	50.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	No
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	Yes
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	No
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No

COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	6	20	15.0	75.0%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes			
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes			
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes			
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes			
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	Yes			
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	No			
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	No			
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes			

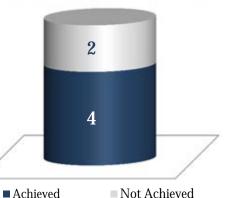
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Number of Attributes Achieved

For fusion centers to successfully engage in information sharing, they must share information in a manner that protects the rights of citizens. Fusion centers implement privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. **EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The CFIX has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



Scoring and Statistics

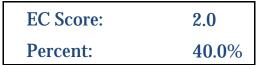
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	4	5	3.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

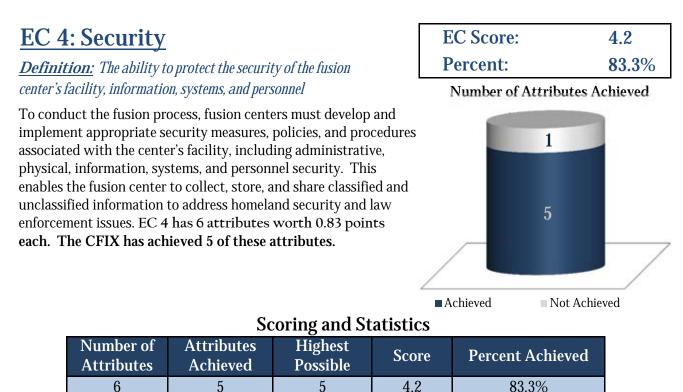
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	2	5	2.0	40.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	No
2. Fusion center conducts an annual financial audit	No
3. Fusion center completes annual operational cost assessment	Yes
4. Fusion center conducts an exercise at least once a year	Yes
5. Fusion center measures its performance and determines the effectiveness of its operations relative to expectations it or its governing entity have defined	No

EC 3: Communications and **EC Score**: 1.7 **Outreach Percent:** 33.3% **Definition:** The ability to develop and execute a communications and Number of Attributes Achieved outreach plan By establishing and enhancing collaborative relationships with fusion center stakeholders, fusion centers can expand their customer base and enhance information flow with these partners. 2 Successful communications and outreach activities enable fusion centers to engage law enforcement, as well as multidisciplinary partners in the fusion process. The 3 attributes of EC 3 are worth 1.67 points. The CFIX has achieved 1 of these attributes. 1 Achieved Not Achieved **Scoring and Statistics**

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
3	1	5	1.7	33.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	No
2. Fusion center has an approved communication plan	No
3. Fusion center has a process for capturing success stories	Yes



Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved security plan that addresses personnel, physical and information security	Yes
2. Fusion center trains all personnel on the fusion center's security plan	No
3. Fusion center has a designated Security Liaison	Yes
4. Fusion center's Security Liaison (or other organization's Security Liaison) completes annual training	Yes
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Colorado Information Analysis Center

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Colorado Information Analysis Center (CIAC)Overall Score:93.3National
Network Average:76.8

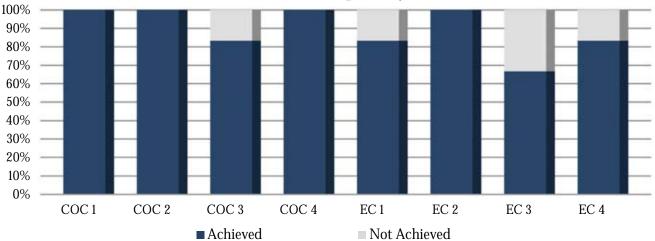
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, all hazards, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: 28 full time, 5 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2005

	Total	<u>Fus</u>	ion Center		National 1	<u>Network</u>
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	5	20.0	100%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	11	20.0	100%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	5	16.7	83.3%	13.1	65.7%
COC 4: Gather	8	8	20.0	100%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	5	4.2	83.3%	4.1	82.2%
EC 2: Sustainment	5	5	5.0	100%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	2	3.3	66.7%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	5	4.2	83.3%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

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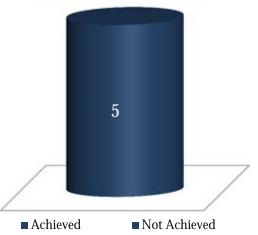
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<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC I is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The CIAC has achieved 5 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



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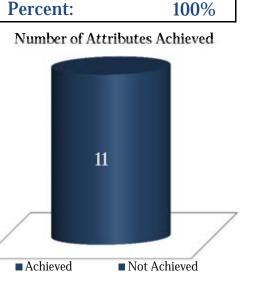
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	5	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	Yes
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The **CIAC has achieved 11 of these attributes**.



20.0

COC Score:

Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	11	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	Yes
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The CIAC has achieved 5 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	5	20	16.7	83.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	Yes
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	Yes
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No

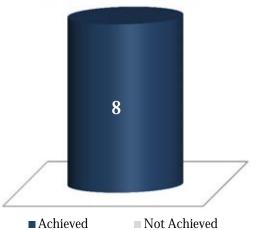
COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The CIAC has achieved 8 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



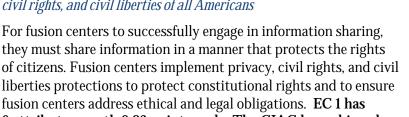
Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	8	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes			
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes			
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes			
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes			
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	Yes			
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	Yes			
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	Yes			
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes			

<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

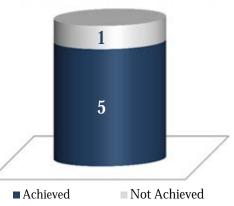
<u>Definition</u>: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans



6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The CIAC has achieved 5 of these attributes.

EC Score:	4.2
Percent:	83.3%

Number of Attributes Achieved



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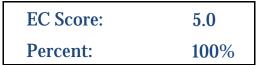
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved	
6	5	5	4.2	83.3%	

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	Yes
3. Fusion center's policies, processes, and mechanisms for receiving, cataloging, and retaining information (provided to the center) comply with 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
4. Fusion center trains all personnel who access criminal intelligence systems in 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
5. Fusion center has identified a Privacy/CRCL Officer for the center	Yes
6. Fusion center has a privacy policy outreach plan	No

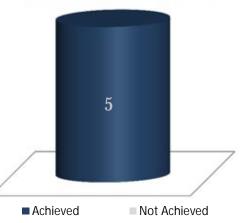
EC 2: Sustainment

Definition: The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

To ensure the long term growth and maturation of the National Network of Fusion Centers, fusion centers must develop and execute strategies aimed at ensuring their long-term sustainment and reflecting the return on the investment of resources. By implementing strategies, fusion centers can more efficiently and effectively apply resources to achieve and maintain critical and enabling capabilities and perform core missions. **EC 2 has 5 attributes, each worth 1 point. The CIAC has achieved 5 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



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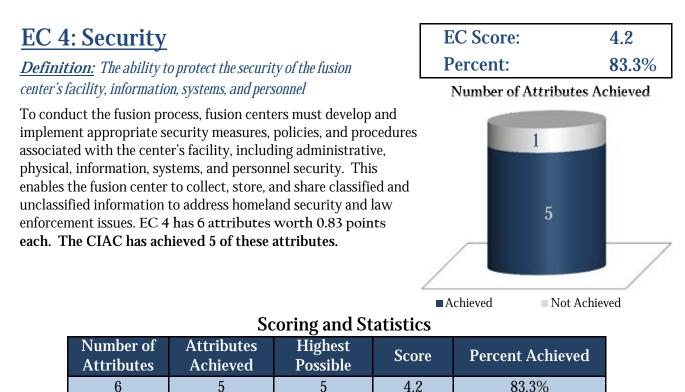
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	5	5	5.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	Yes
2. Fusion center conducts an annual financial audit	Yes
3. Fusion center completes annual operational cost assessment	Yes
4. Fusion center conducts an exercise at least once a year	Yes
5. Fusion center measures its performance and determines the effectiveness of its operations relative to expectations it or its governing entity have defined	Yes

EC 3: Communications and **EC Score:** 3.3 **Outreach Percent:** 66.7% **Definition:** The ability to develop and execute a communications and Number of Attributes Achieved outreach plan By establishing and enhancing collaborative relationships with fusion center stakeholders, fusion centers can expand their 1 customer base and enhance information flow with these partners. Successful communications and outreach activities enable fusion centers to engage law enforcement, as well as multidisciplinary partners in the fusion process. The 3 attributes of EC 3 are 2 worth 1.67 points. The CIAC has achieved 2 of these attributes. Achieved Not Achieved **Scoring and Statistics**

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
3	2	5	3.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	Yes
2. Fusion center has an approved communication plan	No
3. Fusion center has a process for capturing success stories	Yes



Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved security plan that addresses personnel, physical and information security	Yes
2. Fusion center trains all personnel on the fusion center's security plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has a designated Security Liaison	Yes
4. Fusion center's Security Liaison (or other organization's Security Liaison) completes annual training	No
5. Fusion center has access to the Central Verification System (CVS)	Yes
6. Fusion center's Security Liaison (or other organization's Security Liaison) is trained on how to use CVS	Yes

Appendix I. Strengthening Fusion Center Capabilities through Gap Mitigation

Federal, state, and local fusion center stakeholders share a common goal of supporting a nationwide capacity for receiving, analyzing, disseminating and gathering threat information. The purpose of gap mitigation is to assist fusion centers in fully achieving and maintaining their capacity to execute the COCs, the ECs, and additional priority areas. Building these capabilities requires support across four key components:

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Cincinnati/Hamilton County Regional Terrorism Early Warning Group (CHCRTEWG)

Overall Score: 95.4

76.8

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National Network Average:

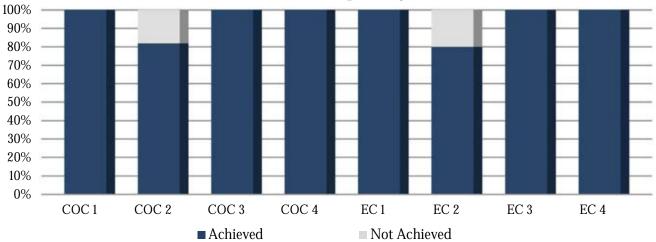
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Recognized Fusion Center Mission: Counterterrorism Staffing Levels: 9 full time, 1 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2004

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Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

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Number of Attributes Achieved



3

Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score Perce	
5	5	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	Yes
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
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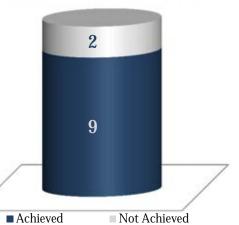
COC 2: Analyze

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Number of Attributes Achieved



4

Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	9	20	16.4	81.8%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	No
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8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	Yes
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	No

COC 3: DisseminateCOC Score:20.0Definition:The ability to further disseminate threatPercent:100%information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entitiesNumber of Attributes AchievedFusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligenceNumber of Attributes AchievedFusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligenceImage: Coc Score:20.0Percent:100%Number of Attributes AchievedImage: Coc Score:20.0Percent:100%Number of Attributes AchievedFusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligenceImage: Coc Score:20.0Percent:100%Number of Attributes AchievedFusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligenceImage: Coc Score:20.0Percent:100%Number of Attributes AchievedImage: Coc Score:20.0Percent:100%Number of Attributes AchievedImage: Coc Score:100%Image: Coc

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Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	6	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	Yes
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	Yes
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	Yes

COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The CHCRTEWG has achieved 8 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Not Achieved

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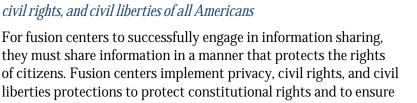
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Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	8	20	20.0	100%

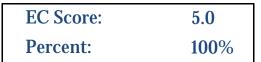
Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes			
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes			
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes			
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes			
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	Yes			
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	Yes			
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	Yes			
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes			

<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

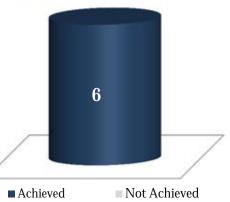
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fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The CHCRTEWG has 6 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



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Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	6	5	5.0	100%

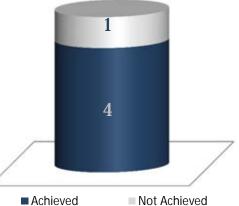
Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	Yes
3. Fusion center's policies, processes, and mechanisms for receiving, cataloging, and retaining information (provided to the center) comply with 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
4. Fusion center trains all personnel who access criminal intelligence systems in 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
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6. Fusion center has a privacy policy outreach plan	Yes

EC 2: Sustainment

Definition: The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

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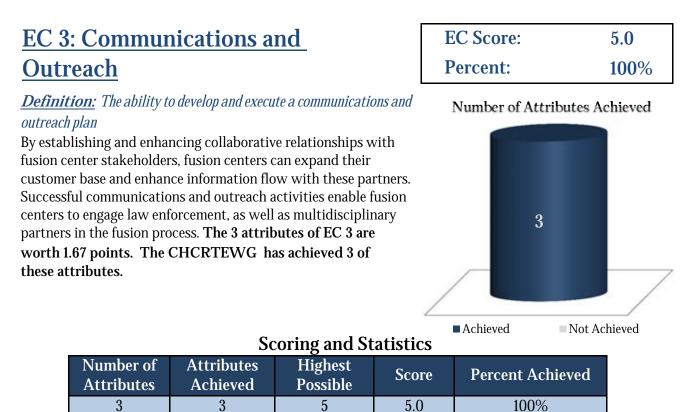


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5	4	5	4.0	80.0%

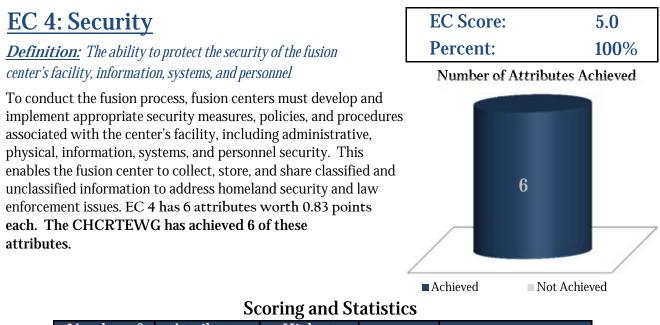
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Achievement of the Attributes for EC 3

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	Yes
2. Fusion center has an approved communication plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has a process for capturing success stories	Yes

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Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	6	5	5.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved security plan that addresses personnel, physical and information security	Yes
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3. Fusion center has a designated Security Liaison	Yes
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This report reflects fusion center scores for each COC and EC, as well as an overall score. The highest possible score a fusion center can receive is 100 points. As seen in the graphic below, the overall score is computed by adding all COC and EC scores. All four ECs equal the weight of one COC.



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Chicago Crime Prevention and Information Center (CPIC)

Overall Score:74.0National
Network Average:76.8

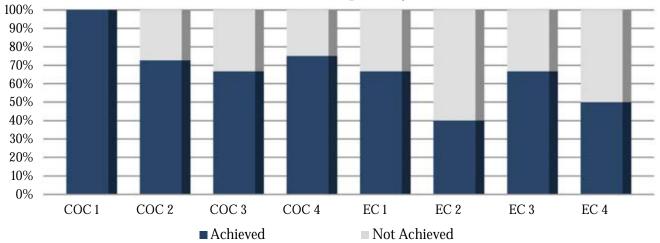
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Recognized Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, all hazards, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: N/A Year Fusion Center Established: 2005

	Total	<u>Fus</u>	ion Center		National 1	<u>Network</u>
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	5	20.0	100%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	8	14.5	72.7%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	4	13.3	66.7%	1' '%	65"+%
COC 4: Gather	8	6	15.0	75.0%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	4	3.3	66.7%	4.1	82.2%
EC 2: Sustainment	5	2	2.0	40.0%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	2	3.3	66.7%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	3	2.5	50.0%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC I is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The CPIC has achieved 5 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	5	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	Yes
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

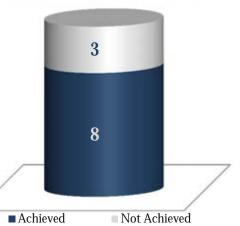
COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The **CPIC has achieved 8 of these attributes**.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	8	20	14.5	72.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	No
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	No
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	No

COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The CPIC has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes		Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	4	20	13.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	No
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	No
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	Yes

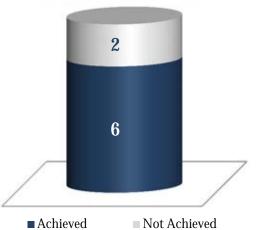
COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The CPIC has achieved 6 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	6	20	15.0	75.0%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes			
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes			
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes			
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes			
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	No			
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EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and **Civil Liberties**

Definition: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans



they must share information in a manner that protects the rights of citizens. Fusion centers implement privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The CPIC has achieved 4 of these attributes.

EC Score:	3.3
Percent:	66.7 %

Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	4	5	3.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
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Definition: The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

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Number of Attributes Achieved



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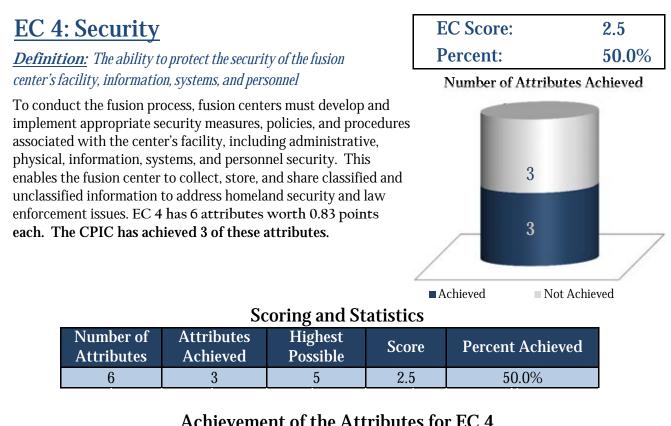
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	2	5	2.0	40.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	Yes
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3. Fusion center completes annual operational cost assessment	No
4. Fusion center conducts an exercise at least once a year	Yes
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EC Score: EC 3: Communications and 3.3 **Outreach Percent:** 66.7% **Definition:** The ability to develop and execute a communications and Number of Attributes Achieved outreach plan By establishing and enhancing collaborative relationships with fusion center stakeholders, fusion centers can expand their 1 customer base and enhance information flow with these partners. Successful communications and outreach activities enable fusion centers to engage law enforcement, as well as multidisciplinary partners in the fusion process. The 3 attributes of EC 3 are 2 worth 1.67 points. The CPIC has achieved 2 of these attributes. Achieved Not Achieved **Scoring and Statistics**

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
3	2	5	3.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	Yes
2. Fusion center has an approved communication plan	No
3. Fusion center has a process for capturing success stories	Yes



Achievement of the Attributes for LC 4				
Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has an approved security plan that addresses personnel, physical and information security	Yes			
2. Fusion center trains all personnel on the fusion center's security plan	Yes			
3. Fusion center has a designated Security Liaison	Yes			
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Connecticut Intelligence Center (CTIC)

Overall Score:75.2

76.8

National Network Average:

Demographic Information

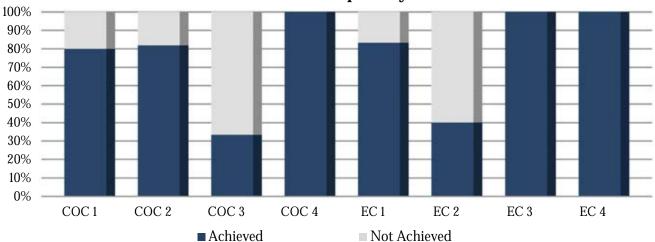
RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes

Staffing Levels: N/A Year Fusion Center Established: 2005

	Total	<u>Fus</u>	ion Center	<u>National</u>	Network	
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	4	16.0	80.0%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	9	16.4	81.8%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	2	6.7	33.3%	13.1	65.7%
COC 4: Gather	8	8	20.0	100%	15.4	76.9%
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Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

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Achievement of Capability Attributes

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COC 1: Receive

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	20	16.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	No
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
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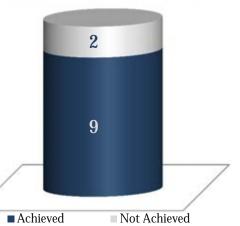
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	9	20	16.4	81.8%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	No
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	Yes
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	No
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The CTIC has achieved 2 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	2	20	6.7	33.3%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes			
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	No			
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	No			
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	No			
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes			
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No			

COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The CTIC has achieved 8 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



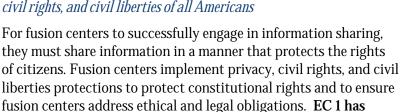
Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	8	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes			
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes			
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes			
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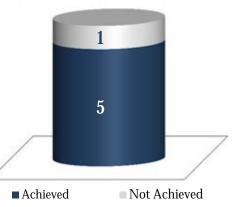
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6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The CTIC has achieved 5 of these attributes.



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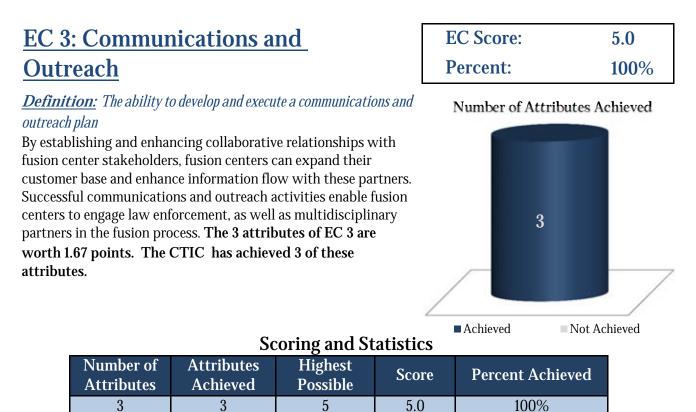
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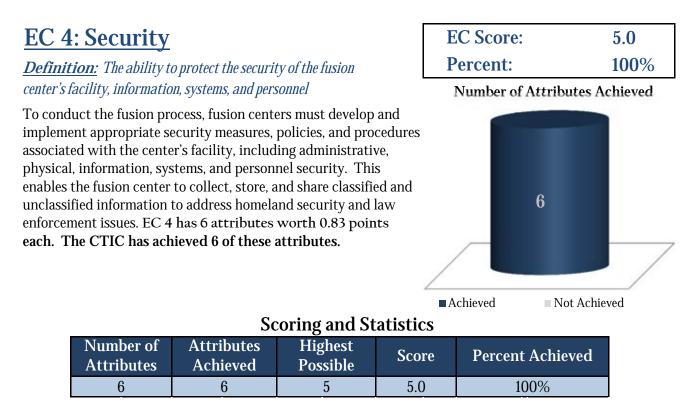
Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	2	5	2.0	40.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	No
2. Fusion center conducts an annual financial audit	No
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2011 Fusion Center Assessment Individual Report

Delaware Information Analysis Center

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Delaware Information Analysis Center (DIAC)Overall Score:92.2National
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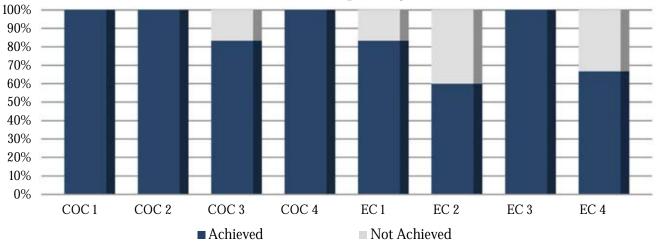
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, all hazards, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: 14 full time, 0 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2005

	Total	<u>Fusion Center</u>			National 1	<u>Network</u>
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	5	20.0	100%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	11	20.0	100%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	5	16.7	83.3%	13.1	65.7%
COC 4: Gather	8	8	20.0	100%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	5	4.2	83.3%	4.1	82.2%
EC 2: Sustainment	5	3	3.0	60.0%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	3	5.0	100%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	4	3.3	66.7%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

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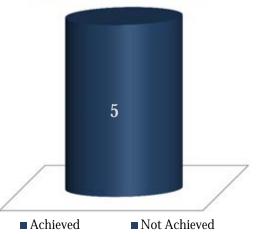
COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC I is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The DIAC has achieved 5 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



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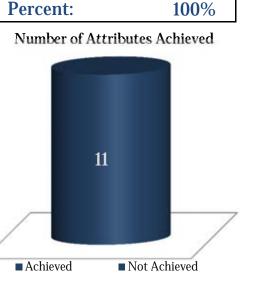
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5	5	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	Yes
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The **DIAC has achieved 11 of these attributes**.



20.0

COC Score:

Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	11	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
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9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
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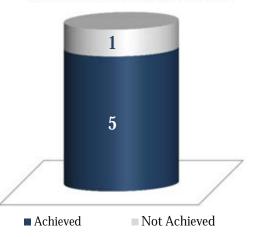
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	5	20	16.7	83.3%

Attributes	Capability
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1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	No
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	Yes
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Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

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Number of Attributes Achieved



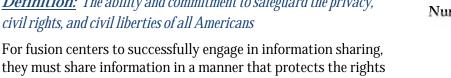
Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	8	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability			
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EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and **Civil Liberties**

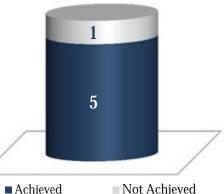
Definition: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans



of citizens. Fusion centers implement privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The DIAC has achieved 5 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



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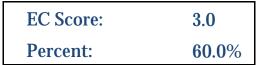
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

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5	3	5	3.0	60.0%

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EC 3: Communications and		EC Score:	5.0
<u>Outreach</u>		Percent:	100%
<u>Definition:</u> The ability to develop and execute a conoutreach plan		Number of A	Attributes Achieved
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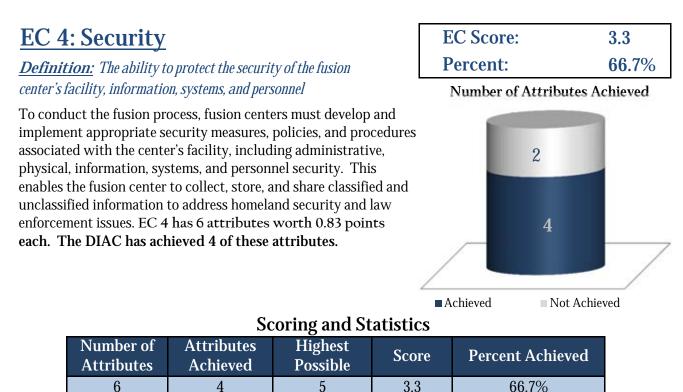
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Network Average:76.8

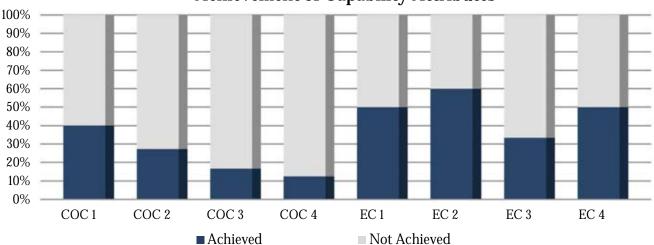
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Recognized Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, all hazards, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: 3 full time, 0 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2011

	Total	<u>Fus</u>	National 1	<u>Network</u>		
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	2	8.0	40.0%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	3	5.5	27.3%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	1	3.3	16.7%	1' .%	6).+%
COC 4: Gather	8	1	2.5	12.5%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	3	2.5	50.0%	4.1	82.2%
EC 2: Sustainment	5	3	3.0	60.0%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	1	1.7	33.3%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	3	2.5	50.0%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

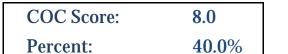
Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners



Number of Attributes Achieved

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC 1 is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The DSEMIIC has achieved 2 of these attributes.**



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	2	20	8.0	40.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	No
2. Fusion center a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	No
3. Fusion center has staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	No
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The **DSEMIIC has achieved 3 of these attributes**.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	3	20	5.5	27.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	No
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	No
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	No
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	No
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	No
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	No
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	No
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	No
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The DSEMIIC has achieved 1 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



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Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	1	20	3.3	16.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	No
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	No
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	No
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	No
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No

COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The DSEMIIC has achieved 1 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



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Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	1	20	2.5	12.5%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	No			
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	No			
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	No			
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	No			
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	No			
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	No			
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	No			
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes			

<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

<u>Definition</u>: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans



Number of Attributes Achieved

For fusion centers to successfully engage in information sharing, they must share information in a manner that protects the rights of citizens. Fusion centers implement privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The DSEMIIC has 3 of these attributes.



Scoring and Statistics

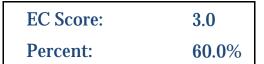
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	3	5	2.5	50.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	No
3. Fusion center's policies, processes, and mechanisms for receiving, cataloging, and retaining information (provided to the center) comply with 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
4. Fusion center trains all personnel who access criminal intelligence systems in 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
5. Fusion center has identified a Privacy/CRCL Officer for the center	No
6. Fusion center has a privacy policy outreach plan	No

EC 2: Sustainment

<u>**Definition:**</u> The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

To ensure the long term growth and maturation of the National Network of Fusion Centers, fusion centers must develop and execute strategies aimed at ensuring their long-term sustainment and reflecting the return on the investment of resources. By implementing strategies, fusion centers can more efficiently and effectively apply resources to achieve and maintain critical and enabling capabilities and perform core missions. **EC 2 has 5 attributes, each worth 1 point. The DSEMIIC has achieved 3 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

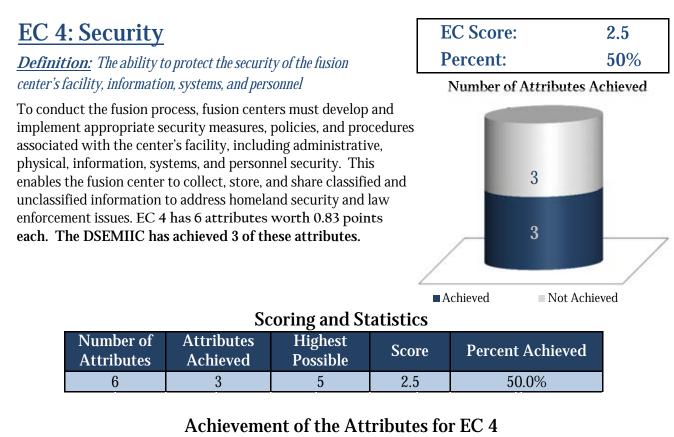
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	3	5	3.0	60.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	No
2. Fusion center conducts an annual financial audit	Yes
3. Fusion center completes annual operational cost assessment	Yes
4. Fusion center conducts an exercise at least once a year	Yes
5. Fusion center measures its performance and determines the effectiveness of its operations relative to expectations it or its governing entity have defined	No

EC Score: EC 3: Communications and 1.7 **Outreach Percent:** 33.3% **Definition:** The ability to develop and execute a communications and Number of Attributes Achieved outreach plan By establishing and enhancing collaborative relationships with fusion center stakeholders, fusion centers can expand their customer base and enhance information flow with these partners. 2 Successful communications and outreach activities enable fusion centers to engage law enforcement, as well as multidisciplinary partners in the fusion process. The 3 attributes of EC 3 are worth 1.67 points. The DSEMIIC has achieved 1 of these attributes. 1 Achieved Not Achieved Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
3	1	5	1.7	33.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	Yes
2. Fusion center has an approved communication plan	No
3. Fusion center has a process for capturing success stories	No



Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved security plan that addresses personnel, physical and information security	Yes
2. Fusion center trains all personnel on the fusion center's security plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has a designated Security Liaison	Yes
4. Fusion center's Security Liaison (or other organization's Security Liaison) completes annual training	No
5. Fusion center has access to the Central Verification System (CVS)	No
6. Fusion center's Security Liaison (or other organization's Security Liaison) is trained on how to use CVS	No

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Appendix I. Strengthening Fusion Center Capabilities through Gap Mitigation

Federal, state, and local fusion center stakeholders share a common goal of supporting a nationwide capacity for receiving, analyzing, disseminating and gathering threat information. The purpose of gap mitigation is to assist fusion centers in fully achieving and maintaining their capacity to execute the COCs, the ECs, and additional priority areas. Building these capabilities requires support across four key components:

- 1. <u>Policies and Processes:</u> By having documented policies and processes, a fusion center has the ability to focus organizational resources on the consistent, standardized, and effective execution of the capability.
- 2. <u>**People:**</u> By having people with the appropriate training, skills, and knowledge, the fusion center has the expertise to execute the capability.
- 3. <u>Technology</u>: By having access to relevant technology, the fusion center has the ability to execute the capability in a timely, efficient, and cost effective manner.
- 4. <u>**Partners:**</u> By working with partners, the fusion center has the ability to execute and deliver the capability to meet evolving customer needs and requirements.

In 2012, the Federal Government will continue to focus its support for fusion centers through the delivery and deployment of gap mitigation resources. These gap mitigation resources provide fusion centers with the knowledge, skills, and tools necessary to enable the effective execution of the fusion process.

Informed by the results of the 2011 Fusion Center Assessment (2011 Assessment), both in terms of fusion centers' capabilities and of the effectiveness of federal support, the Federal Government identified those resources that can most effectively support fusion centers with mitigating identified capability gaps. As part of this process, the Federal Government identified over 40 new or existing activities to support gap mitigation efforts in 2012. These activities are aligned to the four COCs, the four ECs, and an additional priority area of Governance.

The full menu of 2012 gap mitigation activities will be shared with Fusion Center Directors and also included in the 2011 Fusion Center Assessment Final Report. By leveraging the resources identified in this document, the National Network of Fusion Centers can enhance their capabilities in a manner that not only increases the efficacy and efficiency of individual fusion centers but also supports the maturation of an integrated National Network.

2011 Fusion Center Assessment Individual Report

Delaware Valley Intelligence Center

Revised March 2012



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Introduction

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), in coordination with its interagency partnersⁱ and the National Network of Fusion Centers (National Network), conducted the 2011 Fusion Center Assessment (2011 Assessment) to demonstrate the value of the National Network in protecting and securing the homeland. Fusion centers are analytic hubs responsible for applying a local context to the national threat picture to support prevention and protection activities at the federal, state and local levels. This assessment is a critical element of a broader Fusion Center Performance Program that will measure the capability and performance of the National Network. The 2011 Assessment measures the maturity of fusion center capabilities, which will allow state and local leaders to identify areas to strengthen capabilities and to support investment requests. Assessment data will also allow the Federal Government to better target support to help fusion centers mitigate capability gaps and maintain those capabilities already in place.

In order to assess the capabilities of the National Network, the 2011 Assessment determined the progress of fusion center's achievement of the Critical Operational Capabilities (COCs) (Receive, Analyze, Disseminate, and Gather), which reflect the operational priorities of the National Network, and Enabling Capabilities (ECs) (Privacy/Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, Sustainment, Communications and Outreach, and Security), which strengthens the fusion process.

Scope and Methodology

The scope of the 2011 Assessment is the progress made by the National Network in achieving the COCs and ECs from October 1, 2010 to August 1, 2011. Individual Fusion Center Reports detail the result of each fusion center independently, providing Fusion Center Directors information necessary to develop Homeland Security Grant Program Investment Justifications, guide resource allocation in general, and improve center operations.

In order to determine the progress made in implementing the COCs and ECs, Fusion Center Directors responded to an online questionnaire. DHS and its federal partners validated this data by conducting thorough reviews of the submissions to ensure consistency of data and minimize data discrepancies. Following these reviews, DHS conducted structured interviews with Fusion Center Directors to address identified issues. DHS analyzed this validated assessment data to evaluate fusion center progress towards achievement of the COCs and ECs.

This report reflects fusion center scores for each COC and EC, as well as an overall score. The highest possible score a fusion center can receive is 100 points. As seen in the graphic below, the overall score is computed by adding all COC and EC scores. All four ECs equal the weight of one COC.



¹ Interagency partner participation included members of the Fusion Center Subcommittee of the Information Sharing and Access Interagency Policy Committee: Department of Defense, Department of Justice(DOJ), Nationwide Suspicious Activity Reporting Initiative Program Management Office, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Office of National Drug Control Policy, Program Manager for the Information Sharing Environment, and the DOJ Global Justice Information Sharing Initiative's Criminal Intelligence Coordinating Council which serves in an advisory role to the Subcommittee.

Delaware Valley Intelligence Center (DVIC)

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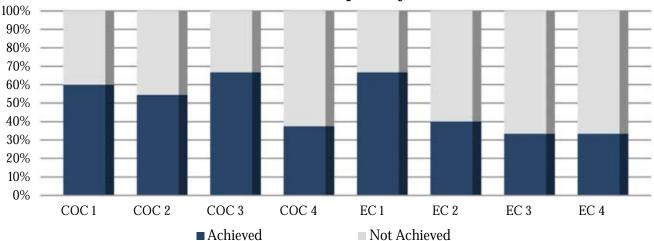
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Recognized Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, all hazards, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: 6 full time, 3 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2011

	Total	<u>Fus</u>	ion Center	National 1	<u>Network</u>	
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	3	12.0	60.0%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	6	10.9	54.5%	16.4	81.8%
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COC 4: Gather	8	3	7.5	37.5%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	4	3.3	66.7%	4.1	82.2%
EC 2: Sustainment	5	2	2.0	40.0%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	1	1.7	33.3%	3.3	65.7%
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Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.

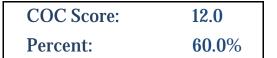


Achievement of Capability Attributes

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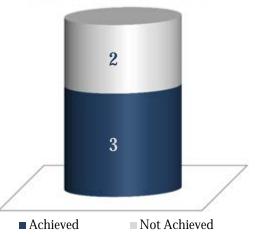
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<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners



Number of Attributes Achieved

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. **7C7** %[gWa df]gXxcZ) UHf]Vi hgzk cflh 4 points each. The DVIC has achieved 3 of these attributes.



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	3	20	12.0	60.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	No
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	Yes
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	No
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

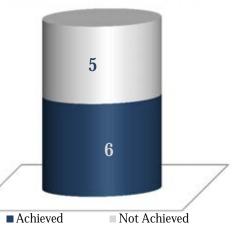
COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. **7C7** &\Ug%UHf]Vi MgžYUW k cfh\% &dc]bhg"H\Y DVIC has achieved 6 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



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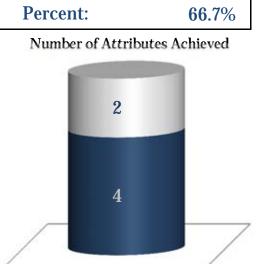
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	6	20	10.9	54.5%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	No
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	No
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	No
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	No
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	No
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

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Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

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13.3

Achieved Not Achieved

COC Score:

Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	4	20	13.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	No
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	Yes
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No

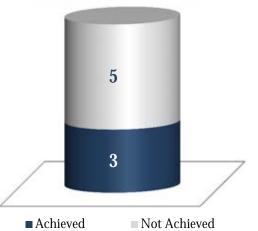
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COC Score:	7.5
Percent:	37.5%

Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	3	20	7.5	37.5%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	No			
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	No			
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4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes			
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	No			
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they must share information in a manner that protects the rights of citizens. Fusion centers implement privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The DVIC has achieved 4 of these attributes.

EC Score:	3.3
Percent:	66.7%

Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	4	5	3.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
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Number of Attributes Achieved



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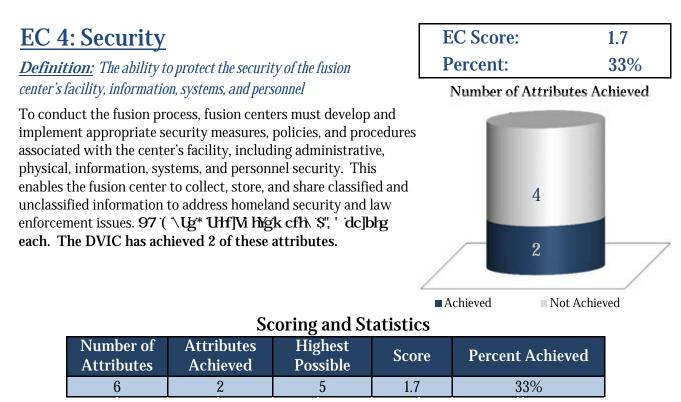
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	2	5	2.0	40.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	No
2. Fusion center conducts an annual financial audit	Yes
3. Fusion center completes annual operational cost assessment	Yes
4. Fusion center conducts an exercise at least once a year	No
5. Fusion center measures its performance and determines the effectiveness of its operations relative to expectations it or its governing entity have defined	No

EC 3: Communications and **EC Score**: 1.7 **Outreach Percent:** 33.3% **Definition:** The ability to develop and execute a communications and Number of Attributes Achieved outreach plan By establishing and enhancing collaborative relationships with fusion center stakeholders, fusion centers can expand their customer base and enhance information flow with these partners. 2 Successful communications and outreach activities enable fusion centers to engage law enforcement, as well as multidisciplinary partners in the fusion process. The 3 attributes of EC 3 are worth 1.67 points. The DVIC has achieved 1 of these attributes. 1 Achieved Not Achieved **Scoring and Statistics**

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
3	1	5	1.7	33.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	Yes
2. Fusion center has an approved communication plan	No
3. Fusion center has a process for capturing success stories	No



Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved security plan that addresses personnel, physical and information security	No
2. Fusion center trains all personnel on the fusion center's security plan	No
3. Fusion center has a designated Security Liaison	Yes
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Florida Fusion Center (FFC)

Overall Score:93.3

76.8

National Network Average:

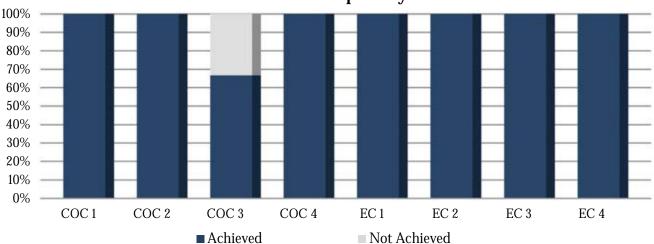
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, all hazards, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: N/A Year Fusion Center Established: 2007

	Total	<u>Fusion Center</u>			National 1	<u>Network</u>
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	5	20.0	100%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	11	20.0	100%	16.4	81.8%
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COC 4: Gather	8	8	20.0	100%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	6	5.0	100%	4.1	82.2%
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Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

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COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC 1 is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The FFC has achieved 5 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	5	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	Yes
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

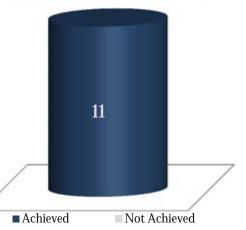
COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The FFC has achieved 11 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

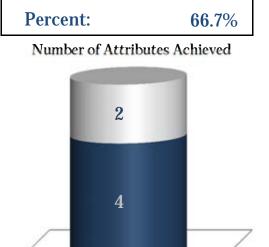
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	11	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	Yes
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The FFC has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



13.3

Achieved Not Achieved

COC Score:

Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	4	20	13.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	No
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	Yes
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No

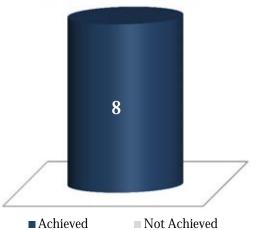
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Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	8	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes			
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes			
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes			
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes			
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	Yes			
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	Yes			
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	Yes			
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes			

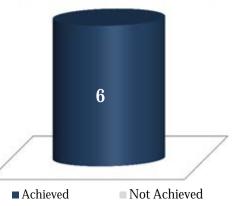
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<u>Definition</u>: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans

For fusion centers to successfully engage in information sharing, they must share information in a manner that protects the rights of citizens. Fusion centers implement privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The FFC has achieved 6 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

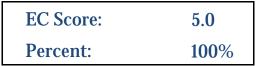
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	6	5	5.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	Yes
3. Fusion center's policies, processes, and mechanisms for receiving, cataloging, and retaining information (provided to the center) comply with 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
4. Fusion center trains all personnel who access criminal intelligence systems in 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
5. Fusion center has identified a Privacy/CRCL Officer for the center	Yes
6. Fusion center has a privacy policy outreach plan	Yes

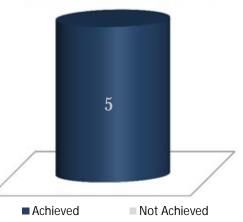
EC 2: Sustainment

Definition: The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

To ensure the long term growth and maturation of the National Network of Fusion Centers, fusion centers must develop and execute strategies aimed at ensuring their long-term sustainment and reflecting the return on the investment of resources. By implementing strategies, fusion centers can more efficiently and effectively apply resources to achieve and maintain critical and enabling capabilities and perform core missions. **EC 2 has 5 attributes, each worth 1 point. The FFC has achieved 5 of these attributes.**



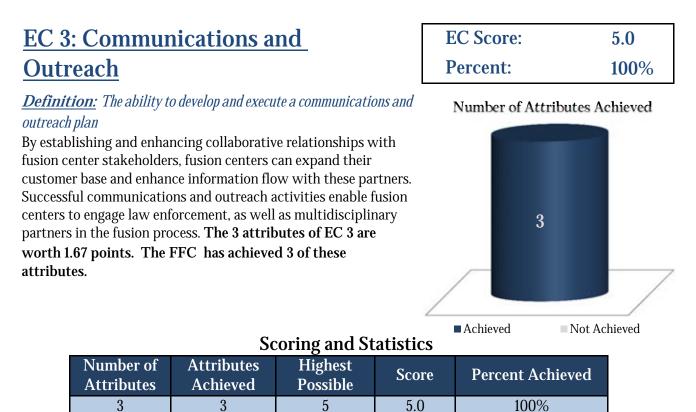
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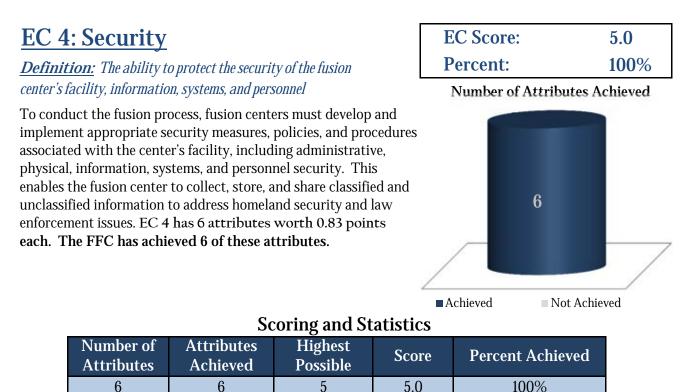
Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	5	5	5.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	Yes
2. Fusion center conducts an annual financial audit	Yes
3. Fusion center completes annual operational cost assessment	Yes
4. Fusion center conducts an exercise at least once a year	Yes
5. Fusion center measures its performance and determines the effectiveness of its operations relative to expectations it or its governing entity have defined	Yes



Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	Yes
2. Fusion center has an approved communication plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has a process for capturing success stories	Yes



Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved security plan that addresses personnel, physical and information security	Yes
2. Fusion center trains all personnel on the fusion center's security plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has a designated Security Liaison	Yes
4. Fusion center's Security Liaison (or other organization's Security Liaison) completes annual training	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to the Central Verification System (CVS)	Yes
6. Fusion center's Security Liaison (or other organization's Security Liaison) is trained on how to use CVS	Yes

Appendix I. Strengthening Fusion Center Capabilities through Gap Mitigation

Federal, state, and local fusion center stakeholders share a common goal of supporting a nationwide capacity for receiving, analyzing, disseminating and gathering threat information. The purpose of gap mitigation is to assist fusion centers in fully achieving and maintaining their capacity to execute the COCs, the ECs, and additional priority areas. Building these capabilities requires support across four key components:

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Georgia Information Sharing and Analysis Center (GISAC)

Overall Score: 90.7 National 76.8

Network Average:

Demographic Information

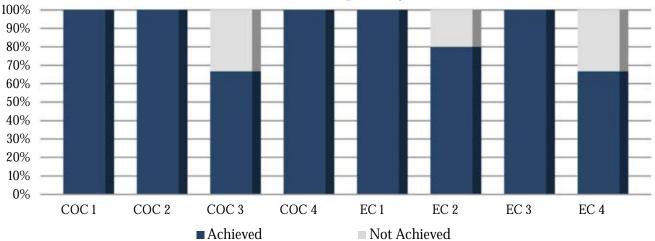
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Number of Attributes Achieved



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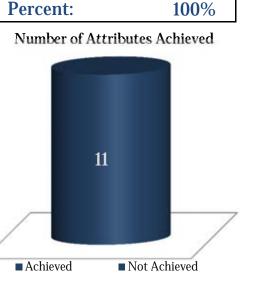
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20.0

COC Score:

Scoring and Statistics

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11	11	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
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9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes		Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	4	20	13.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	Yes
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	No
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No

COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

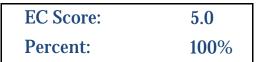
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	8	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes			
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes			
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes			
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes			
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	Yes			
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	Yes			
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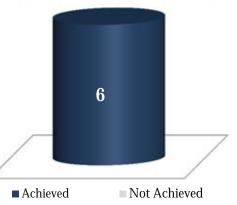
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Number of Attributes Achieved



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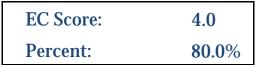
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6	6	5	5.0	100%

Attributes	Capability	
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes	
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	Yes	
3. Fusion center's policies, processes, and mechanisms for receiving, cataloging, and retaining information (provided to the center) comply with 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes	
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Definition: The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

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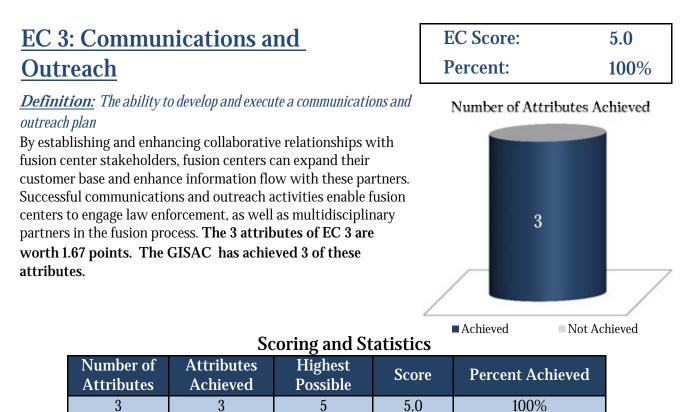
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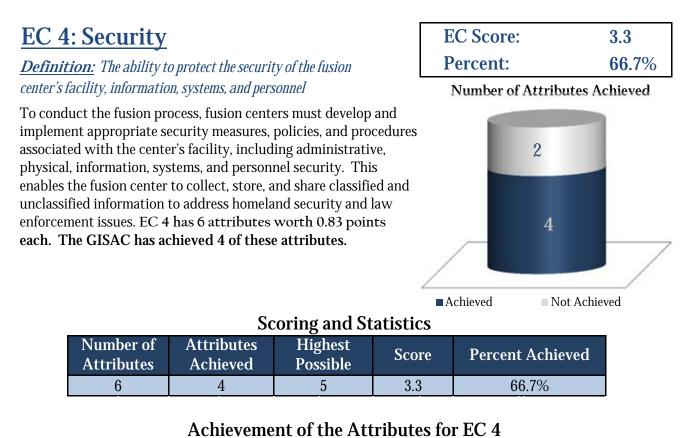
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Attributes	Capability
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2011 Fusion Center Assessment Individual Report

Houston Regional Intelligence Service Center

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Introduction

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In order to assess the capabilities of the National Network, the 2011 Assessment determined the progress of fusion center's achievement of the Critical Operational Capabilities (COCs) (Receive, Analyze, Disseminate, and Gather), which reflect the operational priorities of the National Network, and Enabling Capabilities (ECs) (Privacy/Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, Sustainment, Communications and Outreach, and Security), which strengthens the fusion process.

Scope and Methodology

The scope of the 2011 Assessment is the progress made by the National Network in achieving the COCs and ECs from October 1, 2010 to August 1, 2011. Individual Fusion Center Reports detail the result of each fusion center independently, providing Fusion Center Directors information necessary to develop Homeland Security Grant Program Investment Justifications, guide resource allocation in general, and improve center operations.

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This report reflects fusion center scores for each COC and EC, as well as an overall score. The highest possible score a fusion center can receive is 100 points. As seen in the graphic below, the overall score is computed by adding all COC and EC scores. All four ECs equal the weight of one COC.



¹ Interagency partner participation included members of the Fusion Center Subcommittee of the Information Sharing and Access Interagency Policy Committee: Department of Defense, Department of Justice(DOJ), Nationwide Suspicious Activity Reporting Initiative Program Management Office, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Office of National Drug Control Policy, Program Manager for the Information Sharing Environment, and the DOJ Global Justice Information Sharing Initiative's Criminal Intelligence Coordinating Council which serves in an advisory role to the Subcommittee.

Houston Regional Intelligence Service Center (HRISC)

Overall Score:91.5National
Network Average:76.8

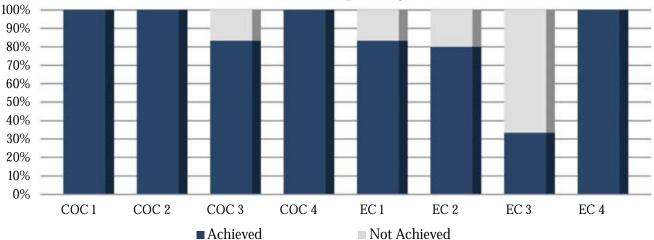
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Recognized Fusion Center Mission: Counterterrorism Staffing Levels: 13 full time, 2 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2006

	Total	<u>Fus</u>	ion Center		<u>National Network</u>		
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent	
COC 1: Receive	5	5	20.0	100%	17.1	85.6%	
COC 2: Analyze	11	11	20.0	100%	16.4	81.8%	
COC 3: Disseminate	6	5	16.7	83.3%	13.1	65.7%	
COC 4: Gather	8	8	20.0	100%	15.4	76.9%	
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	5	4.2	83.3%	4.1	82.2%	
EC 2: Sustainment	5	4	4.0	80.0%	3.4	68.3%	
EC 3: Communications	3	1	1.7	33.3%	3.3	65.7%	
EC 4: Security	6	6	5.0	100%	4.0	79.4%	

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

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COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC I is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The HRISC has achieved 5 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



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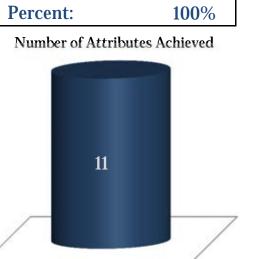
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5	5	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	Yes
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The HRISC has achieved 11 of these attributes.



Not Achieved

20.0

COC Score:

Achieved

Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	11	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	Yes
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

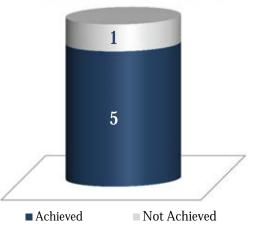
COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The HRISC has achieved 5 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	5	20	16.7	83.3%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes			
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes			
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	Yes			
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	Yes			
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes			
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No			

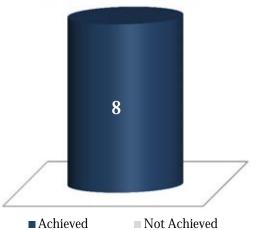
COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The HRISC has achieved 8 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

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Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved	
8	8	20	20.0	100%	

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes			
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes			
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes			
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes			
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	Yes			
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	Yes			
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	Yes			
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes			

<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

<u>Definition</u>: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans

For fusion centers to successfully engage in information sharing, they must share information in a manner that protects the rights of citizens. Fusion centers implement privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. **EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The HRISC has achieved**

5 of these attributes.

EC Score:	4.2
Percent:	83.3%

Number of Attributes Achieved

Achieved Not Achieved

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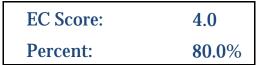
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	5	5	4.2	83.3%

Attributes	Capability
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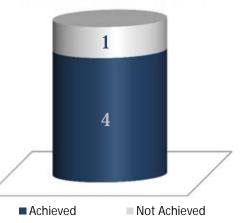
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Number of Attributes Achieved



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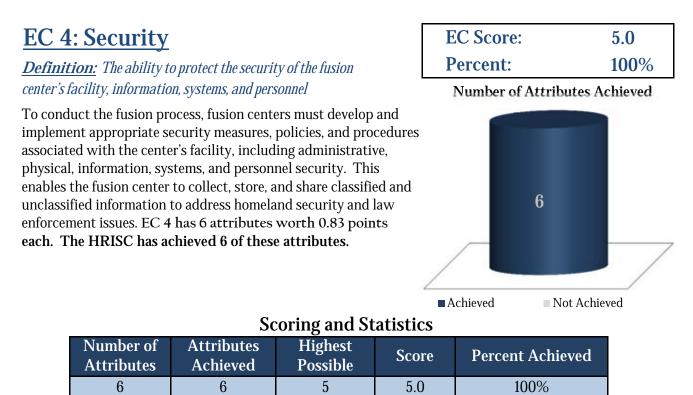
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EC Score: EC 3: Communications and 1.7 **Outreach Percent:** 33.3% **Definition:** The ability to develop and execute a communications and Number of Attributes Achieved outreach plan By establishing and enhancing collaborative relationships with fusion center stakeholders, fusion centers can expand their customer base and enhance information flow with these partners. 2 Successful communications and outreach activities enable fusion centers to engage law enforcement, as well as multidisciplinary partners in the fusion process. The 3 attributes of EC 3 are worth 1.67 points. The HRISC has achieved 1 of these attributes. 1 Achieved Not Achieved **Scoring and Statistics**

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
3	1	5	1.7	33.3%

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Idaho Criminal Intelligence Center (IC²)

Overall Score:53.4

76.8

National Network Average:

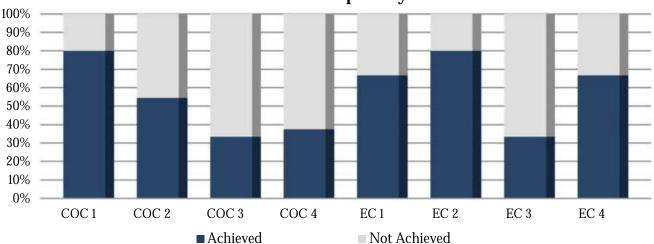
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes Staffing Levels: 8 full time, 4 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2009

	Total	Fusion Center			<u>National Network</u>	
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	4	16.0	80.0%	17.1	85.6%
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Number of Attributes Achieved



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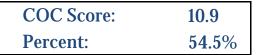
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5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

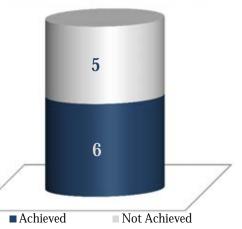
COC 2: Analyze

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	6	20	10.9	54.5%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	No
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	No
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	No
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	No
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	No

COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The IC² has achieved 2 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	2	20	6.7	33.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	No
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	No
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	No
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No

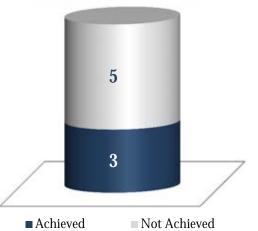
COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The IC² has achieved 3 of these attributes.

COC Score:	7.5
Percent:	37.5%

Number of Attributes Achieved



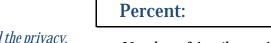
Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	3	20	7.5	37.5%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	No
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	No
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	No
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7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	No
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes

<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

<u>Definition</u>: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans



EC Score:

Number of Attributes Achieved

3.3

66.7%

For fusion centers to successfully engage in information sharing, they must share information in a manner that protects the rights of citizens. Fusion centers implement privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. **EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The IC² has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	4	5	3.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	No
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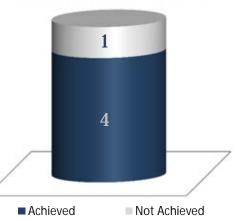
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Definition: The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

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Number of Attributes Achieved



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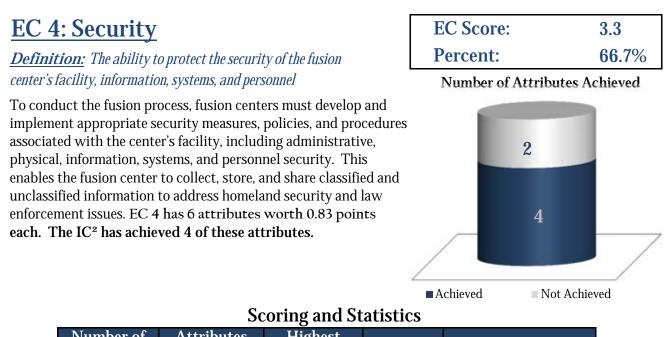
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EC Score: EC 3: Communications and 1.7 **Outreach Percent:** 33.3% **Definition:** The ability to develop and execute a communications and Number of Attributes Achieved outreach plan By establishing and enhancing collaborative relationships with fusion center stakeholders, fusion centers can expand their customer base and enhance information flow with these partners. 2 Successful communications and outreach activities enable fusion centers to engage law enforcement, as well as multidisciplinary partners in the fusion process. The 3 attributes of EC 3 are worth 1.67 points. The IC² has achieved 1 of these attributes. 1 Achieved Not Achieved Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
3	1	5	1.7	33.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	Yes
2. Fusion center has an approved communication plan	No
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Indiana Intelligence Fusion Center

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Indiana Intelligence Fusion Center (IIFC)

Overall Score:82.5

76.8

National Network Average:

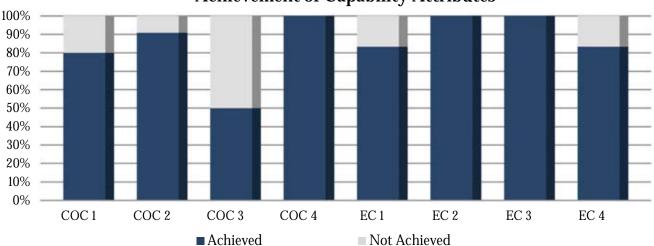
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, all hazards Staffing Levels: 42 full time, 1 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2006

	Total <u>Fusion Center</u>				National 1	<u>Network</u>
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	4	16.0	80.0%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	10	18.2	90.9%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	3	10.0	50.0%	13.1	65.7%
COC 4: Gather	8	8	20.0	100%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	5	4.2	83.3%	4.1	82.2%
EC 2: Sustainment	5	5	5.0	100%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	3	5.0	100%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	5	4.2	83.3%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

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COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC 1 is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The IIFC has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	20	16.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	No
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The **IIFC has achieved 10 of these attributes**.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	10	20	18.2	90.9%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	3	20	10.0	50.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
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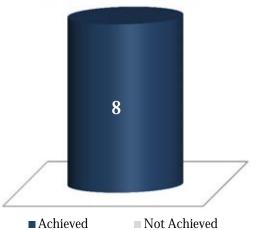
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Number of Attributes Achieved



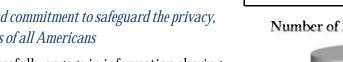
Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	8	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability				
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes				
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes				
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes				
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EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and **Civil Liberties**

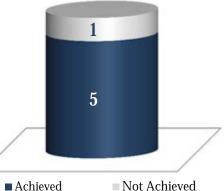
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EC Score:	4.2
Percent:	83.3%

Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

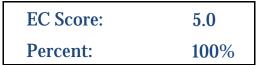
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	5	5	4.2	83.3%

Attributes	Capability
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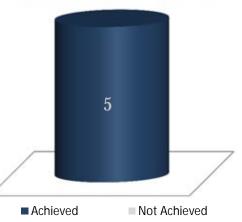
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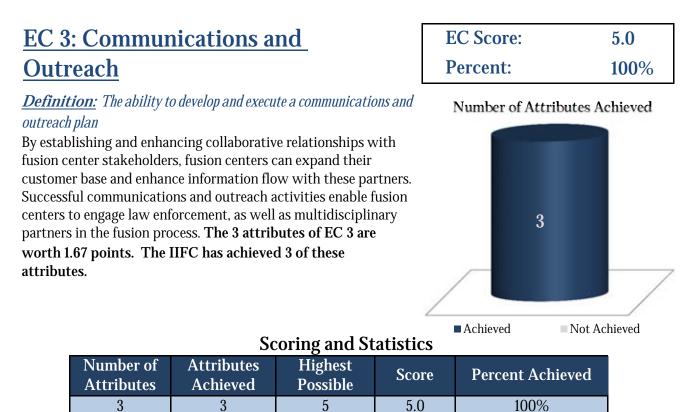
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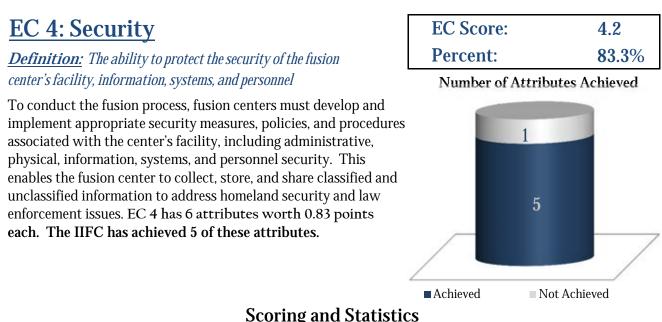
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Iowa Intelligence Fusion Center (Iowa IFC)

Overall Score: 77.4

76.8

National Network Average:

Demographic Information

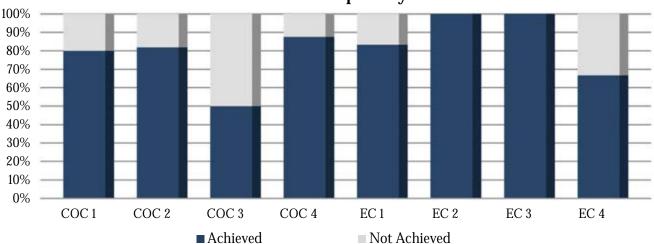
RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes

Staffing Levels: NA Year Fusion Center Established: 2007

	Total	<u>Fus</u>	ion Center	National 1	Network	
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	4	16.0	80.0%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	9	16.4	81.8%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	3	10.0	50.0%	13.1	65.7%
COC 4: Gather	8	7	17.5	87.5%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	5	4.2	83.3%	4.1	82.2%
EC 2: Sustainment	5	5	5.0	100%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	3	5.0	100%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	4	3.3	66.7%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

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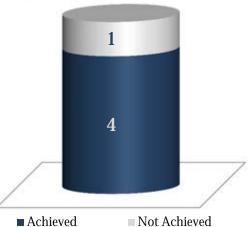
COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC I is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The Iowa IFC has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	20	16.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	No
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

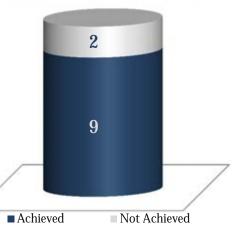
COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The **Iowa IFC has achieved 9 of these attributes**.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	9	20	16.4	81.8%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	No
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	No
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

COC 3: Disseminate

<u>Definition</u>: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The Iowa IFC has achieved 3 of these attributes**.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	3	20	10.0	50.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	No
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	No
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	Yes
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No

COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The Iowa IFC has achieved 7 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	7	20	17.5	87.5%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	No
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	Yes
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	Yes
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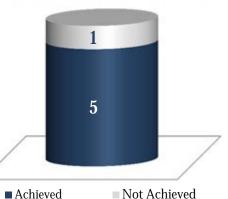
<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

<u>Definition</u>: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans



Number of Attributes Achieved

For fusion centers to successfully engage in information sharing, they must share information in a manner that protects the rights of citizens. Fusion centers implement privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The Iowa IFC has 5 of these attributes.



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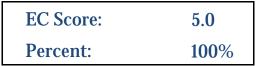
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	5	5	4.2	83.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
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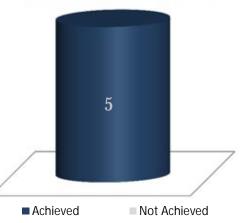
EC 2: Sustainment

Definition: The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

To ensure the long term growth and maturation of the National Network of Fusion Centers, fusion centers must develop and execute strategies aimed at ensuring their long-term sustainment and reflecting the return on the investment of resources. By implementing strategies, fusion centers can more efficiently and effectively apply resources to achieve and maintain critical and enabling capabilities and perform core missions. **EC 2 has 5 attributes, each worth 1 point. The Iowa IFC has achieved 5 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	5	5	5.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	Yes
2. Fusion center conducts an annual financial audit	Yes
3. Fusion center completes annual operational cost assessment	Yes
4. Fusion center conducts an exercise at least once a year	Yes
5. Fusion center measures its performance and determines the effectiveness of its operations relative to expectations it or its governing entity have defined	Yes

EC 3: Communications and Outreach

<u>Definition</u>: The ability to develop and execute a communications and outreach plan

By establishing and enhancing collaborative relationships with fusion center stakeholders, fusion centers can expand their customer base and enhance information flow with these partners. Successful communications and outreach activities enable fusion centers to engage law enforcement, as well as multidisciplinary partners in the fusion process. **The 3 attributes of EC 3 are worth 1.67 points. The Iowa IFC has achieved 3 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved

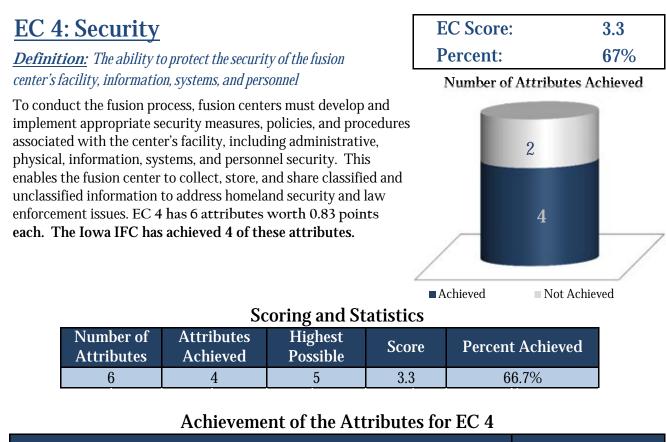
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Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
3	3	5	5.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	Yes
2. Fusion center has an approved communication plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has a process for capturing success stories	Yes



Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved security plan that addresses personnel, physical and information security	No
2. Fusion center trains all personnel on the fusion center's security plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has a designated Security Liaison	Yes
4. Fusion center's Security Liaison (or other organization's Security Liaison) completes annual training	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to the Central Verification System (CVS)	Yes
6. Fusion center's Security Liaison (or other organization's Security Liaison) is trained on how to use CVS	No

Appendix 1. Strengthening Fusion Center Capabilities through Gap Mitigation

Federal, state, and local fusion center stakeholders share a common goal of supporting a nationwide capacity for receiving, analyzing, disseminating and gathering threat information. The purpose of gap mitigation is to assist fusion centers in fully achieving and maintaining their capacity to execute the COCs, the ECs, and additional priority areas. Building these capabilities requires support across four key components:

- 1. <u>Policies and Processes:</u> By having documented policies and processes, a fusion center has the ability to focus organizational resources on the consistent, standardized, and effective execution of the capability.
- 2. <u>**People:**</u> By having people with the appropriate training, skills, and knowledge, the fusion center has the expertise to execute the capability.
- 3. <u>Technology</u>: By having access to relevant technology, the fusion center has the ability to execute the capability in a timely, efficient, and cost effective manner.
- 4. <u>**Partners:**</u> By working with partners, the fusion center has the ability to execute and deliver the capability to meet evolving customer needs and requirements.

In 2012, the Federal Government will continue to focus its support for fusion centers through the delivery and deployment of gap mitigation resources. These gap mitigation resources provide fusion centers with the knowledge, skills, and tools necessary to enable the effective execution of the fusion process.

Informed by the results of the 2011 Fusion Center Assessment (2011 Assessment), both in terms of fusion centers' capabilities and of the effectiveness of federal support, the Federal Government identified those resources that can most effectively support fusion centers with mitigating identified capability gaps. As part of this process, the Federal Government identified over 40 new or existing activities to support gap mitigation efforts in 2012. These activities are aligned to the four COCs, the four ECs, and an additional priority area of Governance.

The full menu of 2012 gap mitigation activities will be shared with Fusion Center Directors and also included in the 2011 Fusion Center Assessment Final Report. By leveraging the resources identified in this document, the National Network of Fusion Centers can enhance their capabilities in a manner that not only increases the efficacy and efficiency of individual fusion centers but also supports the maturation of an integrated National Network.

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Introduction

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), in coordination with its interagency partnersⁱ and the National Network of Fusion Centers (National Network), conducted the 2011 Fusion Center Assessment (2011 Assessment) to demonstrate the value of the National Network in protecting and securing the homeland. Fusion centers are analytic hubs responsible for applying a local context to the national threat picture to support prevention and protection activities at the federal, state and local levels. This assessment is a critical element of a broader Fusion Center Performance Program that will measure the capability and performance of the National Network. The 2011 Assessment measures the maturity of fusion center capabilities, which will allow state and local leaders to identify areas to strengthen capabilities and to support investment requests. Assessment data will also allow the Federal Government to better target support to help fusion centers mitigate capability gaps and maintain those capabilities already in place.

In order to assess the capabilities of the National Network, the 2011 Assessment determined the progress of fusion center's achievement of the Critical Operational Capabilities (COCs) (Receive, Analyze, Disseminate, and Gather), which reflect the operational priorities of the National Network, and Enabling Capabilities (ECs) (Privacy/Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, Sustainment, Communications and Outreach, and Security), which strengthens the fusion process.

Scope and Methodology

The scope of the 2011 Assessment is the progress made by the National Network in achieving the COCs and ECs from October 1, 2010 to August 1, 2011. Individual Fusion Center Reports detail the result of each fusion center independently, providing Fusion Center Directors information necessary to develop Homeland Security Grant Program Investment Justifications, guide resource allocation in general, and improve center operations.

In order to determine the progress made in implementing the COCs and ECs, Fusion Center Directors responded to an online questionnaire. DHS and its federal partners validated this data by conducting thorough reviews of the submissions to ensure consistency of data and minimize data discrepancies. Following these reviews, DHS conducted structured interviews with Fusion Center Directors to address identified issues. DHS analyzed this validated assessment data to evaluate fusion center progress towards achievement of the COCs and ECs.

This report reflects fusion center scores for each COC and EC, as well as an overall score. The highest possible score a fusion center can receive is 100 points. As seen in the graphic below, the overall score is computed by adding all COC and EC scores. All four ECs equal the weight of one COC.



¹ Interagency partner participation included members of the Fusion Center Subcommittee of the Information Sharing and Access Interagency Policy Committee: Department of Defense, Department of Justice(DOJ), Nationwide Suspicious Activity Reporting Initiative Program Management Office, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Office of National Drug Control Policy, Program Manager for the Information Sharing Environment, and the DOJ Global Justice Information Sharing Initiative's Criminal Intelligence Coordinating Council which serves in an advisory role to the Subcommittee.

Joint Regional Intelligence Center (JRIC)

Overall Score:85.2

76.8

National Network Average: ____

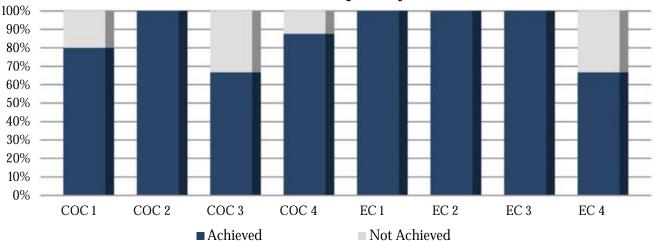
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Recognized Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, all hazards, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: 70 full time, 4 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2006

	Total	<u>Fus</u>	ion Center		National 1	<u>Network</u>
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
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Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

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Achievement of Capability Attributes

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

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5	4	20	16.0	80.0%

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1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
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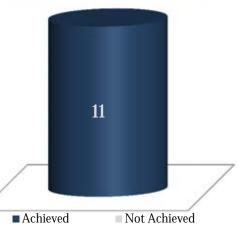
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	11	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	4	20	13.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
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3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	Yes
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	No
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Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The JRIC has achieved 7 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

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8	7	20	17.5	87.5%

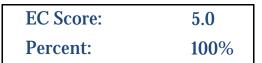
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4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes			
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	Yes			
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7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	Yes			
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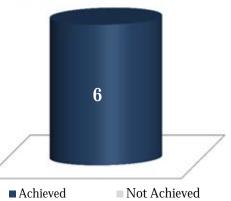
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6 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



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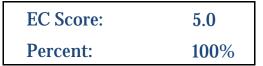
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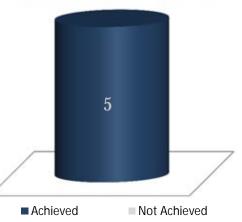
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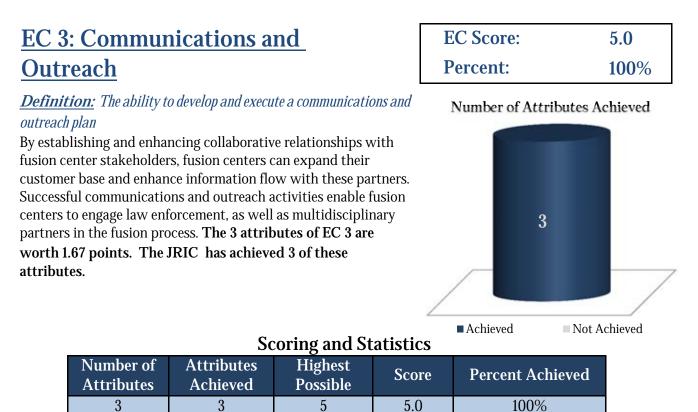
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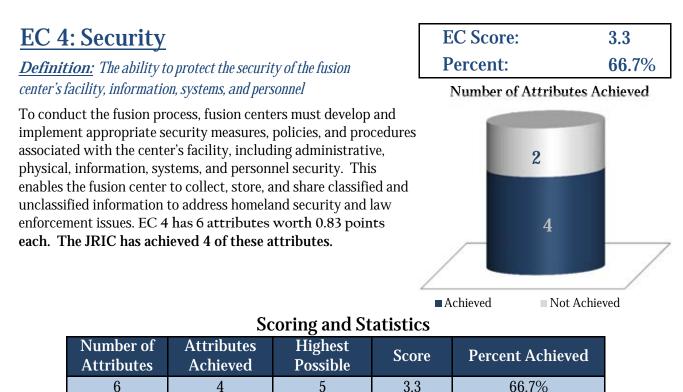
Scoring and Statistics

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Kansas City Regional Terrorism Early Warning Interagency Analysis Center

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Kansas City Regional Terrorism Early WarningOverall Score:94.2Interagency Analysis Center (KCTEWG)National
Network Average:76.8

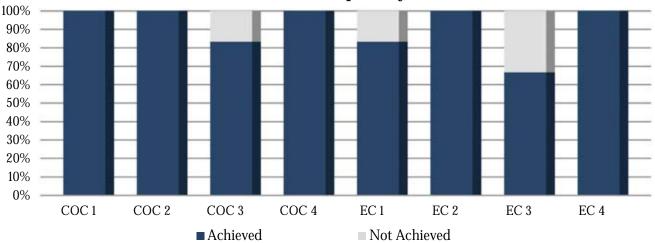
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Recognized Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, all hazards, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: 8 full time, 0 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2004

	Total	<u>Fusion Center</u>			National 1	<u>Network</u>
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	5	20.0	100%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	11	20.0	100%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	5	16.7	83.3%	13.1	65.7%
COC 4: Gather	8	8	20.0	100%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	5	4.2	83.3%	4.1	82.2%
EC 2: Sustainment	5	5	5.0	100%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	2	3.3	66.7%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	6	5.0	100%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

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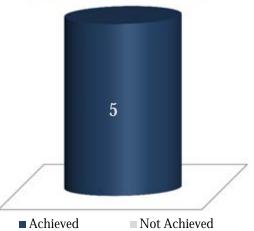
COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC I is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The KCTEWG has achieved 5 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	5	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	Yes
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

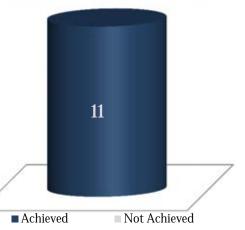
COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The **KCTEWG has achieved 11 of these attributes**.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

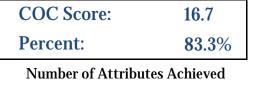
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	11	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	Yes
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The KCTEWG has achieved 5 of these attributes.**





Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	5	20	16.7	83.3%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes			
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes			
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	Yes			
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	Yes			
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes			
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No			

COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The KCTEWG has achieved 8 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Not Achieved

Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	8	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes			
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes			
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes			
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes			
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	Yes			
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	Yes			
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	Yes			
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes			

<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

<u>Definition</u>: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans



Number of Attributes Achieved

For fusion centers to successfully engage in information sharing, they must share information in a manner that protects the rights of citizens. Fusion centers implement privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. **EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each**. **The KCTEWG has 5 of these attributes**.



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved	
6	5	5	4.2	83.3%	

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	Yes
3. Fusion center's policies, processes, and mechanisms for receiving, cataloging, and retaining information (provided to the center) comply with 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
4. Fusion center trains all personnel who access criminal intelligence systems in 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
5. Fusion center has identified a Privacy/CRCL Officer for the center	Yes
6. Fusion center has a privacy policy outreach plan	No

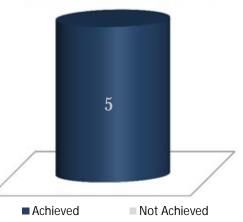
EC 2: Sustainment

<u>**Definition:**</u> The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

To ensure the long term growth and maturation of the National Network of Fusion Centers, fusion centers must develop and execute strategies aimed at ensuring their long-term sustainment and reflecting the return on the investment of resources. By implementing strategies, fusion centers can more efficiently and effectively apply resources to achieve and maintain critical and enabling capabilities and perform core missions. **EC 2 has 5 attributes, each worth 1 point. The KCTEWG has achieved 5 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



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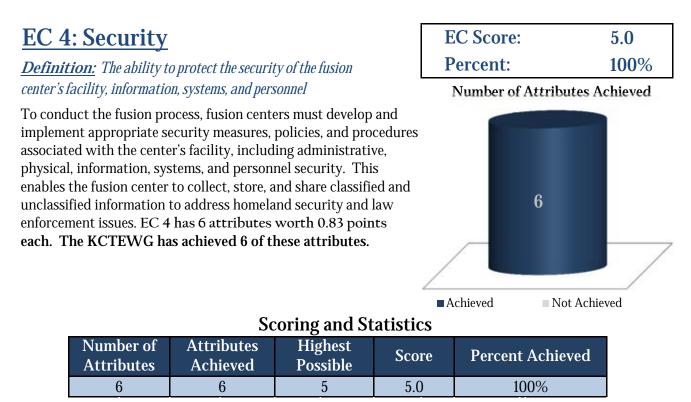
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	5	5	5.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	Yes
2. Fusion center conducts an annual financial audit	Yes
3. Fusion center completes annual operational cost assessment	Yes
4. Fusion center conducts an exercise at least once a year	Yes
5. Fusion center measures its performance and determines the effectiveness of its operations relative to expectations it or its governing entity have defined	Yes

EC 3: Communications and **EC Score**: 3.3 **Outreach Percent:** 66.7% **Definition:** The ability to develop and execute a communications and Number of Attributes Achieved outreach plan By establishing and enhancing collaborative relationships with fusion center stakeholders, fusion centers can expand their 1 customer base and enhance information flow with these partners. Successful communications and outreach activities enable fusion centers to engage law enforcement, as well as multidisciplinary partners in the fusion process. The 3 attributes of EC 3 are 2 worth 1.67 points. The KCTEWG has achieved 2 of these attributes. Achieved Not Achieved **Scoring and Statistics**

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
3	2	5	3.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	Yes
2. Fusion center has an approved communication plan	No
3. Fusion center has a process for capturing success stories	Yes



Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved security plan that addresses personnel, physical and information security	Yes
2. Fusion center trains all personnel on the fusion center's security plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has a designated Security Liaison	Yes
4. Fusion center's Security Liaison (or other organization's Security Liaison) completes annual training	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to the Central Verification System (CVS)	Yes
6. Fusion center's Security Liaison (or other organization's Security Liaison) is trained on how to use CVS	Yes

Appendix 1. Strengthening Fusion Center Capabilities through Gap Mitigation

Federal, state, and local fusion center stakeholders share a common goal of supporting a nationwide capacity for receiving, analyzing, disseminating and gathering threat information. The purpose of gap mitigation is to assist fusion centers in fully achieving and maintaining their capacity to execute the COCs, the ECs, and additional priority areas. Building these capabilities requires support across four key components:

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Kansas Intelligence Fusion Center (KIFC)

Overall Score: 69.0

76.8

National Network Average: ____

Demographic Information

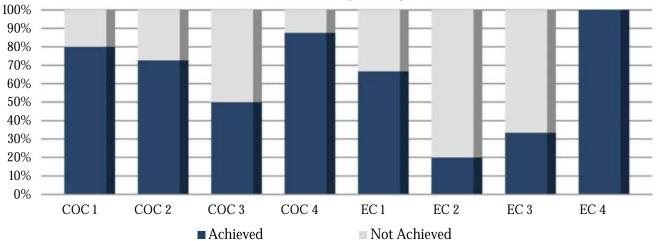
RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All hazards

Staffing Levels: 9 full time, 4 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2007

	Total	<u>Fusion Center</u>			National 1	Network
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Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

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Achievement of Capability Attributes

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	20	16.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	Yes
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	No
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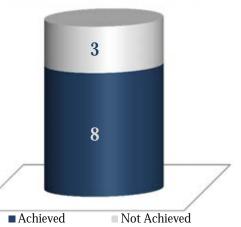
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	8	20	14.5	72.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	No
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	No
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	No

COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	3	20	10.0	50.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	No
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	No
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	Yes
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No

COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The KIFC has achieved 7 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	7	20	17.5	87.5%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	No
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	Yes
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	Yes
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes

EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and **Civil Liberties**

Definition: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans



EC Score:

For fusion centers to successfully engage in information sharing, they must share information in a manner that protects the rights of citizens. Fusion centers implement privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The KIFC has achieved 4 of these attributes.



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66.7%

Scoring and Statistics

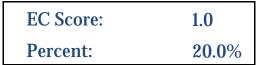
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	4	5	3.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	No
3. Fusion center's policies, processes, and mechanisms for receiving, cataloging, and retaining information (provided to the center) comply with 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
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6. Fusion center has a privacy policy outreach plan	No

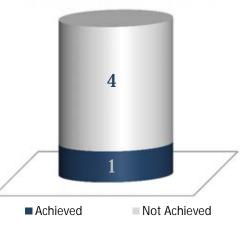
EC 2: Sustainment

Definition: The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

To ensure the long term growth and maturation of the National Network of Fusion Centers, fusion centers must develop and execute strategies aimed at ensuring their long-term sustainment and reflecting the return on the investment of resources. By implementing strategies, fusion centers can more efficiently and effectively apply resources to achieve and maintain critical and enabling capabilities and perform core missions. **EC 2 has 5 attributes, each worth 1 point. The KIFC has achieved 1 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



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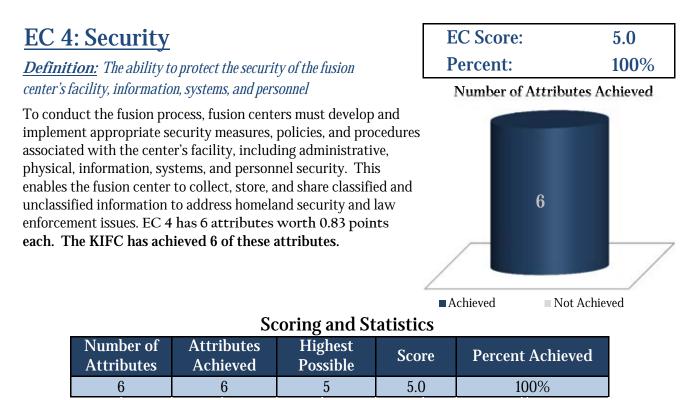
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	1	5	1.0	20.0%

Attributes	Capability
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EC 3: Communications and **EC Score**: 1.7 **Outreach Percent:** 33.3% **Definition:** The ability to develop and execute a communications and Number of Attributes Achieved outreach plan By establishing and enhancing collaborative relationships with fusion center stakeholders, fusion centers can expand their customer base and enhance information flow with these partners. 2 Successful communications and outreach activities enable fusion centers to engage law enforcement, as well as multidisciplinary partners in the fusion process. The 3 attributes of EC 3 are worth 1.67 points. The KIFC has achieved 1 of these attributes. 1 Achieved Not Achieved **Scoring and Statistics**

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
3	1	5	1.7	33.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	Yes
2. Fusion center has an approved communication plan	No
3. Fusion center has a process for capturing success stories	No



Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved security plan that addresses personnel, physical and information security	Yes
2. Fusion center trains all personnel on the fusion center's security plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has a designated Security Liaison	Yes
4. Fusion center's Security Liaison (or other organization's Security Liaison) completes annual training	Yes
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Kentucky Intelligence Fusion Center

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Kentucky Intelligence Fusion Center (KIFC)

Overall Score: 57.1 National 76.8

Network Average:

Demographic Information

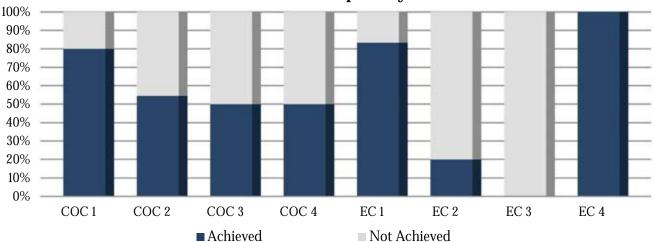
RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, counterterrorism

Staffing Levels: N/A Year Fusion Center Established: 2005

	Total	<u>Fus</u>	<u>Fusion Center</u>			Network
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	4	16.0	80.0%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	6	10.9	54.5%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	3	10.0	50.0%	1' .%	6).+%
COC 4: Gather	8	4	10.0	50.0%	15.4	76.9%
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EC 2: Sustainment	5	1	1.0	20.0%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	0	0.0	0.0%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	6	5.0	100%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

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COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC 1 is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The KIFC has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	20	16.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	No
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The **KIFC has achieved 6 of these attributes**.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	6	20	10.9	54.5%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	No
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	No
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conductgthreat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributegto or conductga statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributegto national-level risk assessments	Yes
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	No
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	No
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	No

COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The KIFC has achieved 3 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	3	20	10.0	50.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	No
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	Yes
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	No
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No

COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The KIFC has achieved 4 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	4	20	10.0	50.0%

Attributes	Capability				
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes				
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes				
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	No				
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	No				
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	No				
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	Yes				
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	No				
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes				

<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

<u>Definition</u>: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans



Number of Attributes Achieved

For fusion centers to successfully engage in information sharing, they must share information in a manner that protects the rights of citizens. Fusion centers implement privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The KIFC has achieved 5 of these attributes.



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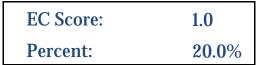
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6	5	5	4.2	83.3%

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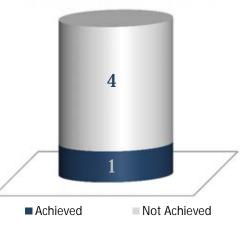
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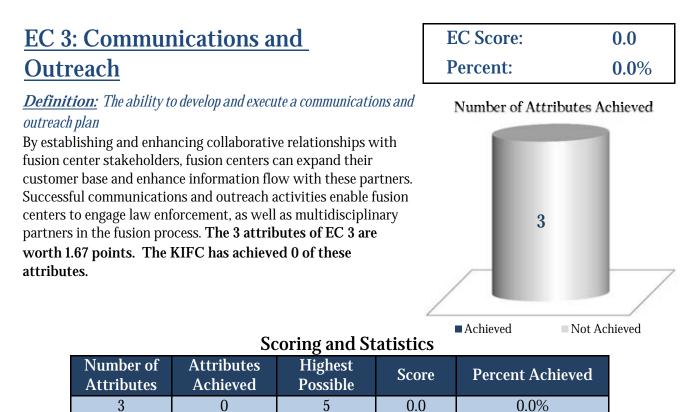
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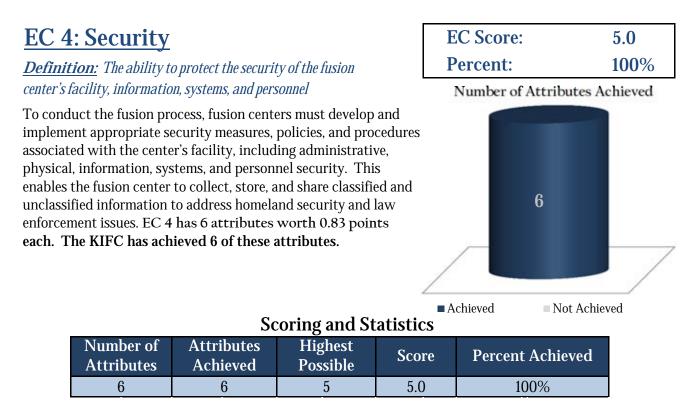
Scoring and Statistics

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Louisiana State Analytical and **Fusion** Exchange (LA-SAFE)

Overall Score: 88.7

76.8

National Networ<u>k Average:</u>_____

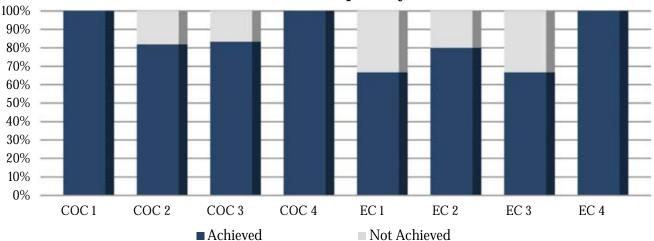
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, all hazards Staffing Levels: 22 full time, 4 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2004

	Total	ion Center		<u>National Network</u>		
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Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

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Achievement of Capability Attributes

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COC 1: Receive

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	5	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	Yes
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
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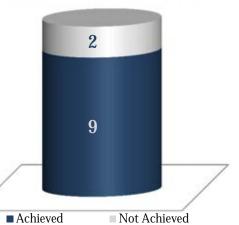
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	9	20	16.4	81.8%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	No
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	No

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

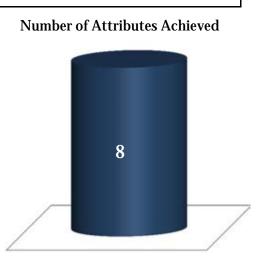
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	5	20	16.7	83.3%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes			
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes			
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	Yes			
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	Yes			
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes			
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No			

COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The LA-SAFE has achieved 8 of these attributes.



Achieved

COC Score:

Percent:

Not Achieved

20.0

100%

Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved	
8	8	20	20.0	100%	

Attributes	Capability				
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes				
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes				
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes				
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes				
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	Yes				
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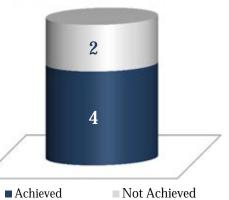
<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

<u>Definition</u>: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans



Number of Attributes Achieved

For fusion centers to successfully engage in information sharing, they must share information in a manner that protects the rights of citizens. Fusion centers implement privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The LA-SAFE has 4 of these attributes.



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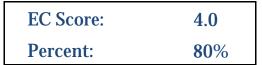
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	4	5	3.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	No
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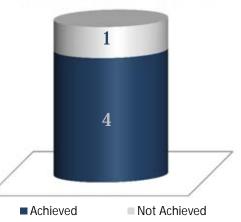
EC 2: Sustainment

Definition: The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

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Number of Attributes Achieved



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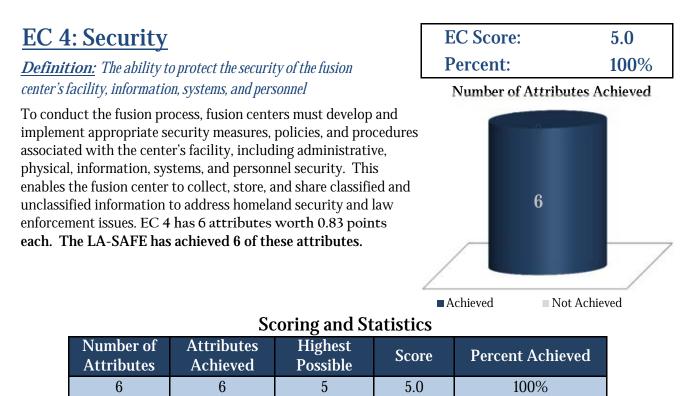
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	5	4.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	Yes
2. Fusion center conducts an annual financial audit	No
3. Fusion center completes annual operational cost assessment	Yes
4. Fusion center conducts an exercise at least once a year	Yes
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EC Score: EC 3: Communications and 3.3 **Outreach Percent:** 66.7% **Definition:** The ability to develop and execute a communications and Number of Attributes Achieved outreach plan By establishing and enhancing collaborative relationships with fusion center stakeholders, fusion centers can expand their 1 customer base and enhance information flow with these partners. Successful communications and outreach activities enable fusion centers to engage law enforcement, as well as multidisciplinary partners in the fusion process. The 3 attributes of EC 3 are 2 worth 1.67 points. The LA-SAFE has achieved 2 of these attributes. Achieved Not Achieved Scoring and Statistics

Scoring and Statistics							
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved			
3	2	5	3.3	66.7%			

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	Yes
2. Fusion center has an approved communication plan	No
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Montana All- reat Intelligence Center

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Montana All-Threat Intelligence Center (MATIC)

Overall Score:86.5National76.8

Network Average:

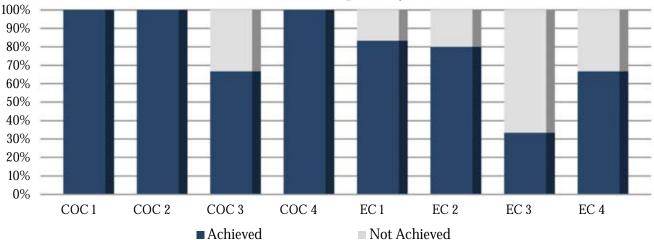
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, all threats, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: 22 full time, 2 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2004

	Total	<u>Fus</u>	<u>Fusion Center</u>			<u>Network</u>
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	5	20.0	100%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	11	20.0	100%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	4	13.3	66.7%	13.1	65.7%
COC 4: Gather	8	8	20.0	100%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	5	4.2	83.3%	4.1	82.2%
EC 2: Sustainment	5	4	4.0	80.0%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	1	1.7	33.3%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	4	3.3	66.7%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

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COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC I is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The MATIC has achieved 5 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



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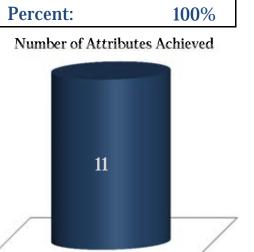
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved	
5	5	20	20.0	100%	

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	Yes
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The MATIC has achieved 11 of these attributes.



Not Achieved

20.0

COC Score:

Achieved

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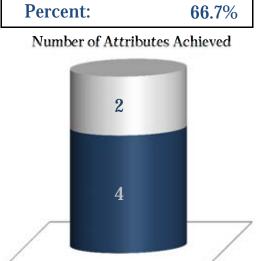
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	11	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	Yes
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The MATIC has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



Not Achieved

13.3

COC Score:

Achieved

Scoring and Statistics

Number Attribute	-	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6		4	20	13.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
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Number of Attributes Achieved



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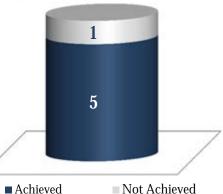
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

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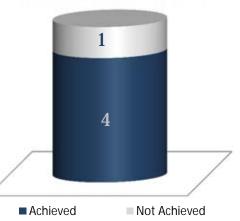
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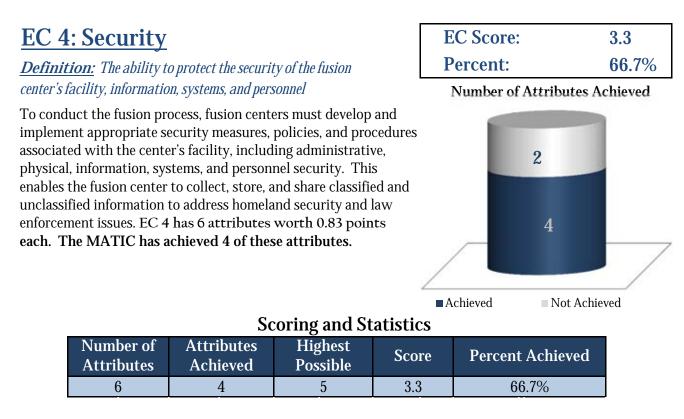
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Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
3	1	5	1.7	33.3%

Attributes	Capability
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Maryland Coordination and Analysis Center (MCAC)

Overall Score:76.5National
Network Average:76.8

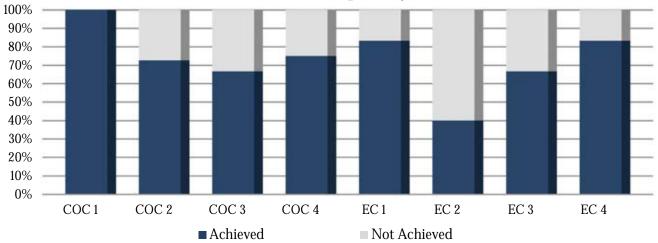
Demographic Information

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	Total	<u>Fus</u>	ion Center		National 1	<u>Network</u>
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
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COC 4: Gather	8	6	15.0	75.0%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	5	4.2	83.3%	4.1	82.2%
EC 2: Sustainment	5	2	2.0	40.0%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	2	3.3	66.7%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	5	4.2	83.3%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC I is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The MCAC has achieved 5 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	5	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	Yes
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

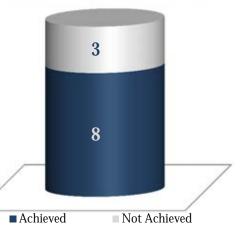
COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The MCAC has achieved 8 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	8	20	14.5	72.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	No
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	Yes
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	No
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	No

COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The MCAC has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes		Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	4	20	13.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	No
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	Yes
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No

COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The MCAC has achieved 6 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	6	20	15.0	75.0%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes			
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes			
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes			
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes			
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	No			
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	No			
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	Yes			
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes			

<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

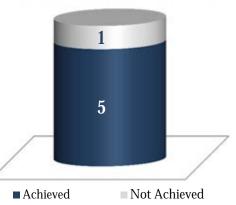
<u>Definition</u>: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans

For fusion centers to successfully engage in information sharing, they must share information in a manner that protects the rights of citizens. Fusion centers implement privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. **EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each**. The MCAC has achieved

5 of these attributes.

EC Score:	4.2
Percent:	83.3 %

Number of Attributes Achieved



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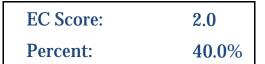
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	5	5	4.2	83.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	Yes
3. Fusion center's policies, processes, and mechanisms for receiving, cataloging, and retaining information (provided to the center) comply with 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
4. Fusion center trains all personnel who access criminal intelligence systems in 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
5. Fusion center has identified a Privacy/CRCL Officer for the center	Yes
6. Fusion center has a privacy policy outreach plan	No

EC 2: Sustainment

Definition: The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

To ensure the long term growth and maturation of the National Network of Fusion Centers, fusion centers must develop and execute strategies aimed at ensuring their long-term sustainment and reflecting the return on the investment of resources. By implementing strategies, fusion centers can more efficiently and effectively apply resources to achieve and maintain critical and enabling capabilities and perform core missions. **EC 2 has 5 attributes, each worth 1 point. The MCAC has achieved 2 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

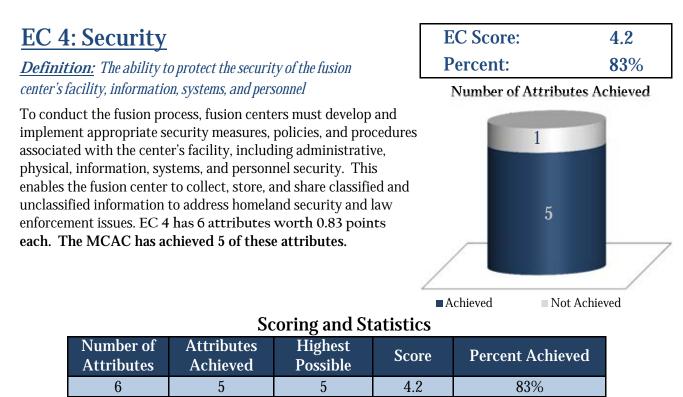
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	2	5	2.0	40.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	No
2. Fusion center conducts an annual financial audit	No
3. Fusion center completes annual operational cost assessment	Yes
4. Fusion center conducts an exercise at least once a year	Yes
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EC Score: EC 3: Communications and 3.3 **Outreach Percent:** 66.7% **Definition:** The ability to develop and execute a communications and Number of Attributes Achieved outreach plan By establishing and enhancing collaborative relationships with fusion center stakeholders, fusion centers can expand their 1 customer base and enhance information flow with these partners. Successful communications and outreach activities enable fusion centers to engage law enforcement, as well as multidisciplinary partners in the fusion process. The 3 attributes of EC 3 are 2 worth 1.67 points. The MCAC has achieved 2 of these attributes. Achieved Not Achieved Scoring and Statistics

Scoring and Statistics				
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
3	2	5	3.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	Yes
2. Fusion center has an approved communication plan	No
3. Fusion center has a process for capturing success stories	Yes



Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved security plan that addresses personnel, physical and information security	Yes
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Appendix I. Strengthening Fusion Center Capabilities through Gap Mitigation

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- 2. <u>**People:**</u> By having people with the appropriate training, skills, and knowledge, the fusion center has the expertise to execute the capability.
- 3. <u>Technology</u>: By having access to relevant technology, the fusion center has the ability to execute the capability in a timely, efficient, and cost effective manner.
- 4. <u>**Partners:**</u> By working with partners, the fusion center has the ability to execute and deliver the capability to meet evolving customer needs and requirements.

In 2012, the Federal Government will continue to focus its support for fusion centers through the delivery and deployment of gap mitigation resources. These gap mitigation resources provide fusion centers with the knowledge, skills, and tools necessary to enable the effective execution of the fusion process.

Informed by the results of the 2011 Fusion Center Assessment (2011 Assessment), both in terms of fusion centers' capabilities and of the effectiveness of federal support, the Federal Government identified those resources that can most effectively support fusion centers with mitigating identified capability gaps. As part of this process, the Federal Government identified over 40 new or existing activities to support gap mitigation efforts in 2012. These activities are aligned to the four COCs, the four ECs, and an additional priority area of Governance.

The full menu of 2012 gap mitigation activities will be shared with Fusion Center Directors and also included in the 2011 Fusion Center Assessment Final Report. By leveraging the resources identified in this document, the National Network of Fusion Centers can enhance their capabilities in a manner that not only increases the efficacy and efficiency of individual fusion centers but also supports the maturation of an integrated National Network.

2011 Fusion Center Assessment Individual Report

Maine Information and Analysis Center

Revised March 2012



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Introduction

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), in coordination with its interagency partnersⁱ and the National Network of Fusion Centers (National Network), conducted the 2011 Fusion Center Assessment (2011 Assessment) to demonstrate the value of the National Network in protecting and securing the homeland. Fusion centers are analytic hubs responsible for applying a local context to the national threat picture to support prevention and protection activities at the federal, state and local levels. This assessment is a critical element of a broader Fusion Center Performance Program that will measure the capability and performance of the National Network. The 2011 Assessment measures the maturity of fusion center capabilities, which will allow state and local leaders to identify areas to strengthen capabilities and to support investment requests. Assessment data will also allow the Federal Government to better target support to help fusion centers mitigate capability gaps and maintain those capabilities already in place.

In order to assess the capabilities of the National Network, the 2011 Assessment determined the progress of fusion center's achievement of the Critical Operational Capabilities (COCs) (Receive, Analyze, Disseminate, and Gather), which reflect the operational priorities of the National Network, and Enabling Capabilities (ECs) (Privacy/Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, Sustainment, Communications and Outreach, and Security), which strengthens the fusion process.

Scope and Methodology

The scope of the 2011 Assessment is the progress made by the National Network in achieving the COCs and ECs from October 1, 2010 to August 1, 2011. Individual Fusion Center Reports detail the result of each fusion center independently, providing Fusion Center Directors information necessary to develop Homeland Security Grant Program Investment Justifications, guide resource allocation in general, and improve center operations.

In order to determine the progress made in implementing the COCs and ECs, Fusion Center Directors responded to an online questionnaire. DHS and its federal partners validated this data by conducting thorough reviews of the submissions to ensure consistency of data and minimize data discrepancies. Following these reviews, DHS conducted structured interviews with Fusion Center Directors to address identified issues. DHS analyzed this validated assessment data to evaluate fusion center progress towards achievement of the COCs and ECs.

This report reflects fusion center scores for each COC and EC, as well as an overall score. The highest possible score a fusion center can receive is 100 points. As seen in the graphic below, the overall score is computed by adding all COC and EC scores. All four ECs equal the weight of one COC.



¹ Interagency partner participation included members of the Fusion Center Subcommittee of the Information Sharing and Access Interagency Policy Committee: Department of Defense, Department of Justice(DOJ), Nationwide Suspicious Activity Reporting Initiative Program Management Office, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Office of National Drug Control Policy, Program Manager for the Information Sharing Environment, and the DOJ Global Justice Information Sharing Initiative's Criminal Intelligence Coordinating Council which serves in an advisory role to the Subcommittee.

Maine Information and Analysis Center (MIAC)

Overall Score:74.8National
Network Average:76.8

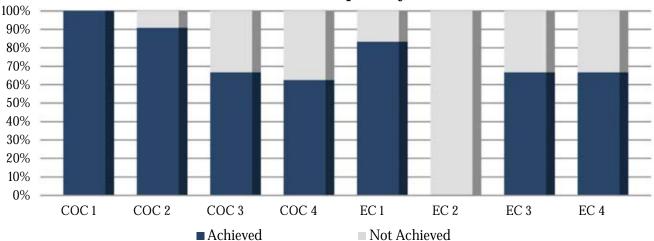
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: N/A Year Fusion Center Established: 2006

	Total	<u>Fus</u>	ion Center		<u>National</u>	<u>Network</u>
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	5	20.0	100%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	10	18.2	90.9%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	4	13.3	66.7%	13.1	65.7%
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EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	5	4.2	83.3%	4.1	82.2%
EC 2: Sustainment	5	0	0.0	0.0%	3.4	68.3%
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Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	5	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
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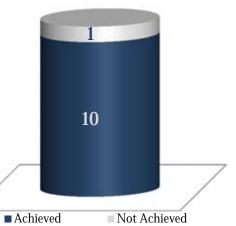
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	10	20	18.2	90.9%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	No
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
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8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	Yes
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	4	20	13.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
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3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	No
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Number of Attributes Achieved



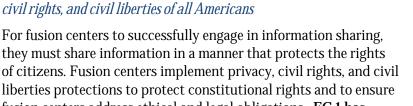
Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	5	20	12.5	62.5%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes			
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	No			
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes			
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes			
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	No			
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	No			
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	Yes			
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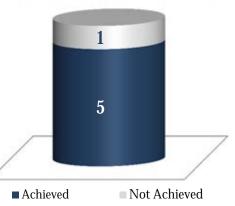
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fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. **EC 1 has** 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The MIAC has achieved 5 of these attributes.

EC Score:	4.2
Percent:	83.3%

Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

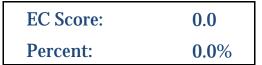
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	5	5	4.2	83.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
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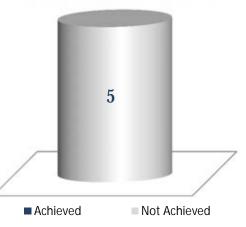
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

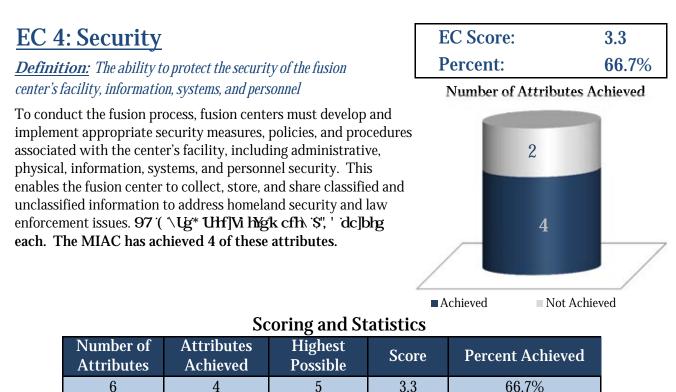
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5	0	5	0.0	0.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	No
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Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved		
3	2	5	3.3	66.7%		

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	Yes
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2011 Fusion Center Assessment Individual Report

Missouri Information Analysis Center

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Missouri Information Analysis Center (MIAC)Overall Score:86.8National
Network Average:76.8

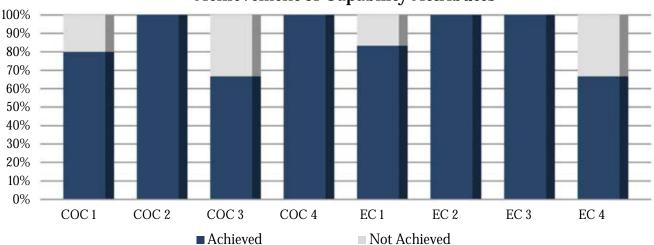
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, all hazards, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: 18 full time, 15 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2005

	Total	<u>Fusion Center</u>			National 1	<u>Network</u>
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	4	16.0	80.0%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	11	20.0	100%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	4	13.3	66.7%	13.1	65.7%
COC 4: Gather	8	8	20.0	100%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	5	4.2	83.3%	4.1	82.2%
EC 2: Sustainment	5	5	5.0	100%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	3	5.0	100%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	4	3.3	66.7%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

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COC 1: Receive

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	20	16.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	No
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

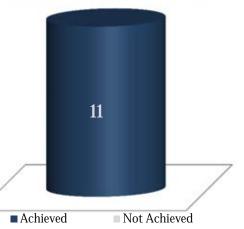
COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. **7C7** &\Ug%dHf]Vi HgžYUWk cfh\% &dc]bhg"H\Y MIAC has achieved 11 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	11	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	Yes
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The MIAC has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes		Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	4	20	13.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	No
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	No
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	Yes

COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The MIAC has achieved 8 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



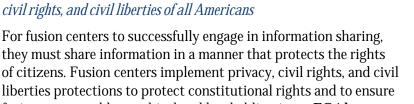
Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	8	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes			
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes			
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes			
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes			
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	Yes			
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	Yes			
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	Yes			
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes			

<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

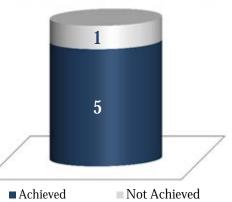
<u>Definition</u>: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans



fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. **EC 1 has** 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The MIAC has achieved 5 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	5	5	4.2	83.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	Yes
3. Fusion center's policies, processes, and mechanisms for receiving, cataloging, and retaining information (provided to the center) comply with 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
4. Fusion center trains all personnel who access criminal intelligence systems in 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
5. Fusion center has identified a Privacy/CRCL Officer for the center	Yes
6. Fusion center has a privacy policy outreach plan	No

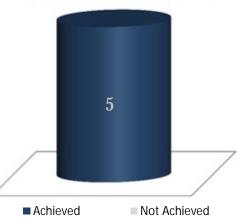
EC 2: Sustainment

Definition: The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

To ensure the long term growth and maturation of the National Network of Fusion Centers, fusion centers must develop and execute strategies aimed at ensuring their long-term sustainment and reflecting the return on the investment of resources. By implementing strategies, fusion centers can more efficiently and effectively apply resources to achieve and maintain critical and enabling capabilities and perform core missions. **EC 2 has 5 attributes, each worth 1 point. The MIAC has achieved 5 of these attributes.**



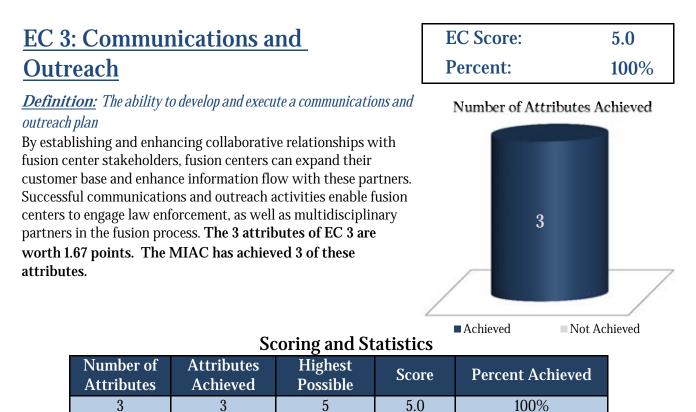
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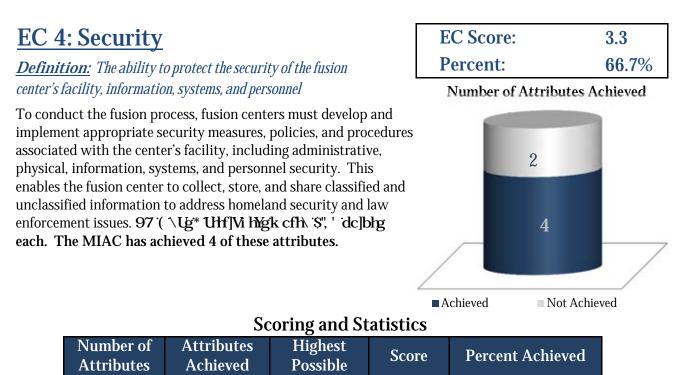
Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	5	5	5.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	Yes
2. Fusion center conducts an annual financial audit	Yes
3. Fusion center completes annual operational cost assessment	Yes
4. Fusion center conducts an exercise at least once a year	Yes
5. Fusion center measures its performance and determines the effectiveness of its operations relative to expectations it or its governing entity have defined	Yes



Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	Yes
2. Fusion center has an approved communication plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has a process for capturing success stories	Yes



Achievement of the Attributes for EC 4

5

6

4

3.3

66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved security plan that addresses personnel, physical and information security	Yes
2. Fusion center trains all personnel on the fusion center's security plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has a designated Security Liaison	Yes
4. Fusion center's Security Liaison (or other organization's Security Liaison) completes annual training	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to the Central Verification System (CVS)	No
6. Fusion center's Security Liaison (or other organization's Security Liaison) is trained on how to use CVS	No

Appendix I. Strengthening Fusion Center Capabilities through Gap Mitigation

Federal, state, and local fusion center stakeholders share a common goal of supporting a nationwide capacity for receiving, analyzing, disseminating and gathering threat information. The purpose of gap mitigation is to assist fusion centers in fully achieving and maintaining their capacity to execute the COCs, the ECs, and additional priority areas. Building these capabilities requires support across four key components:

- 1. <u>Policies and Processes:</u> By having documented policies and processes, a fusion center has the ability to focus organizational resources on the consistent, standardized, and effective execution of the capability.
- 2. <u>**People:**</u> By having people with the appropriate training, skills, and knowledge, the fusion center has the expertise to execute the capability.
- 3. <u>Technology</u>: By having access to relevant technology, the fusion center has the ability to execute the capability in a timely, efficient, and cost effective manner.
- 4. <u>**Partners:**</u> By working with partners, the fusion center has the ability to execute and deliver the capability to meet evolving customer needs and requirements.

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Michigan Intelligence Operations Center (MIOC)

Overall Score: 93.3 National 76.8

Network Average:

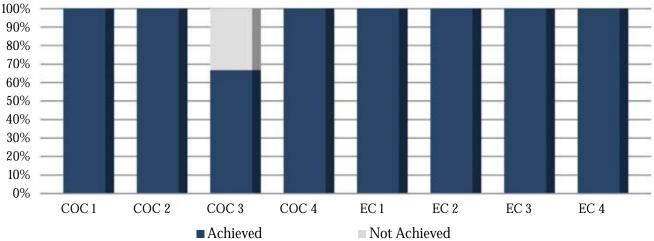
Demographic Information

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Achievement of Capability Attributes

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

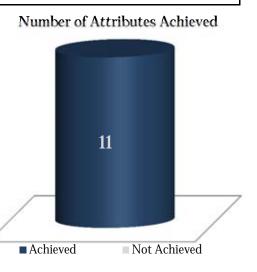
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	5	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	Yes
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
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COC 2: Analyze

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20.0

100%

COC Score:

Percent:

Scoring and Statistics

Number of	Attributes	Highest	Score	Percent Achieved	
Attributes	Achieved	Possible	Beore	i orcenterienteved	
11	11	20	20.0	100%	

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	Yes
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

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13.3

66.7%

COC Score:

Percent:

Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	4	20	13.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	No
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	Yes
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No

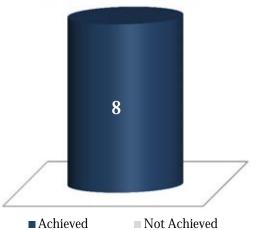
COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

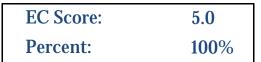
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	8	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	Yes
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	Yes
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	Yes
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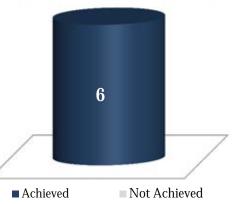
<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

<u>Definition</u>: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans

For fusion centers to successfully engage in information sharing, they must share information in a manner that protects the rights of citizens. Fusion centers implement privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. **EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The MIOC has achieved 6 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	6	5	5.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	Yes
3. Fusion center's policies, processes, and mechanisms for receiving, cataloging, and retaining information (provided to the center) comply with 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
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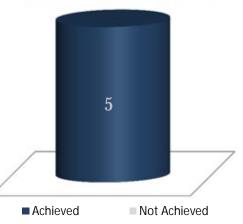
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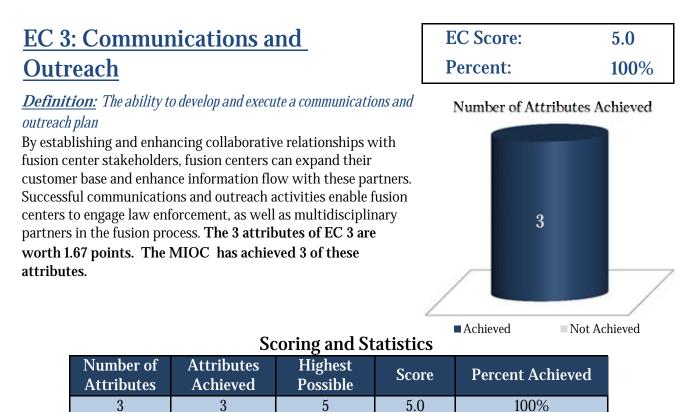
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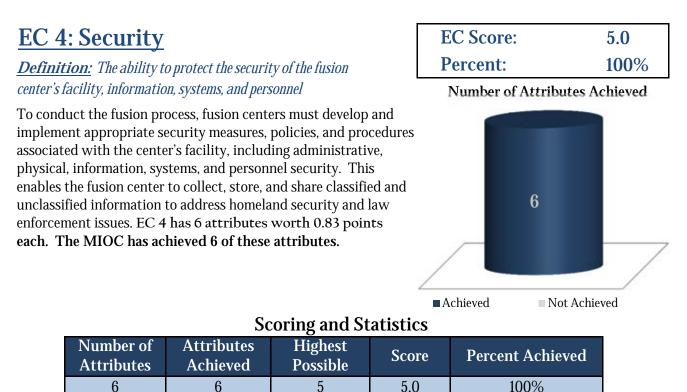
Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	5	5	5.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	Yes
2. Fusion center conducts an annual financial audit	Yes
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Minnesota Joint Analysis Center (MNJAC)

Overall Score: 78.7

76.8

National Network Average:

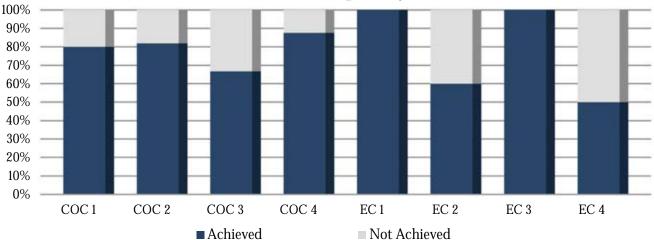
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, all hazards, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: 14 full time, 2 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2005

	Total	<u>Fusion Center</u>			National 1	<u>Network</u>
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	4	16.0	80.0%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	9	16.4	81.8%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	4	13.3	66.7%	1' .%	6).+%
COC 4: Gather	8	7	17.5	87.5%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	6	5.0	100%	4.1	82.2%
EC 2: Sustainment	5	3	3.0	60.0%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	3	5.0	100%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	3	2.5	50.0%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

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COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC 1 is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The MNJAC has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	20	16.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	No
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

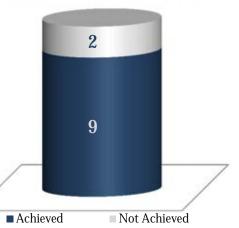
COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The **MNJAC has achieved 9 of these attributes**.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

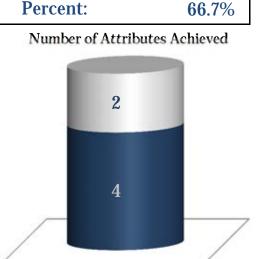
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	9	20	16.4	81.8%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conductgthreat assessments within its AOR	No
7. Fusion center contributegto or conductga statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributegto national-level risk assessments	No
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The MNJAC has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



13.3

Achieved Not Achieved

COC Score:

Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	4	20	13.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	No
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	Yes
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	No
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	Yes

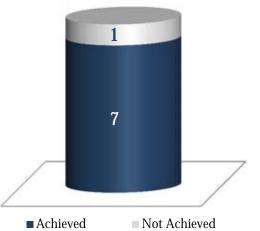
COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The MNJAC has achieved 7 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	7	20	17.5	87.5%

Attributes	Capability		
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes		
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes		
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	No		
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes		
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	Yes		
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	Yes		
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	Yes		
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes		

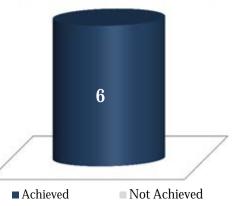
<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

<u>Definition</u>: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans

For fusion centers to successfully engage in information sharing, they must share information in a manner that protects the rights of citizens. Fusion centers implement privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. **EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each**. **The MNJAC has achieved 6 of these attributes**.



Number of Attributes Achieved



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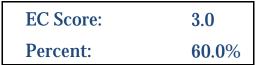
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	6	5	5.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	Yes
3. Fusion center's policies, processes, and mechanisms for receiving, cataloging, and retaining information (provided to the center) comply with 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
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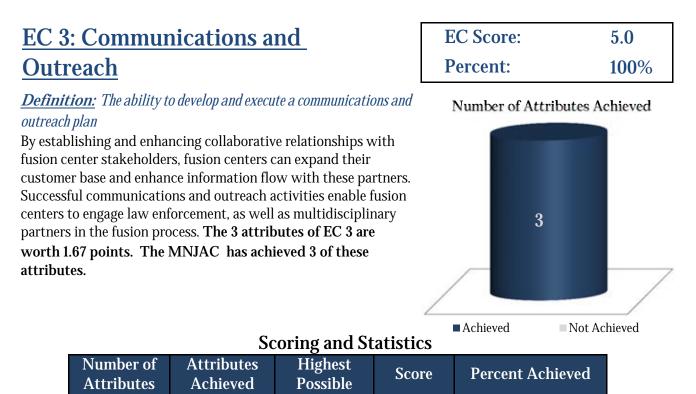
Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	3	5	3.0	60.0%

Attributes	Capability
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Achievement of the Attributes for EC 3

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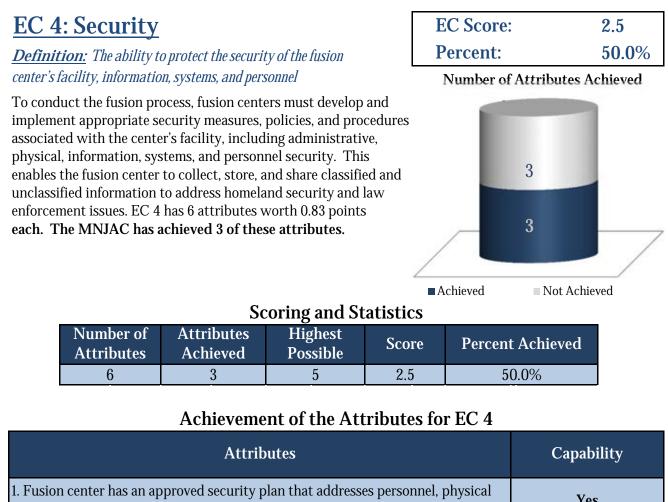
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Mississippi Analysis and Information Center (MSAIC)

Overall Score:92.3National
Network Average:76.8

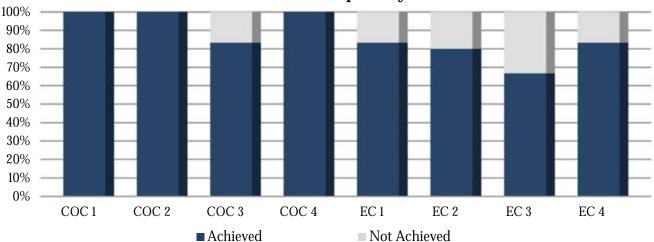
Demographic Information

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Achievement of Capability Attributes

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

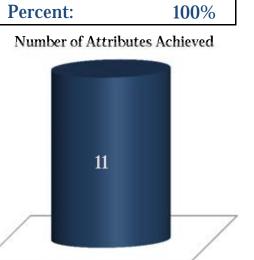
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5	5	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
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Not Achieved

20.0

COC Score:

Achieved

Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	11	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	Yes
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

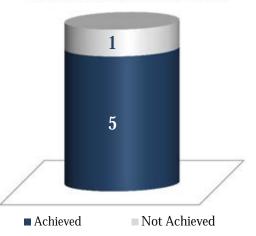
COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The MSAIC has achieved 5 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	5	20	16.7	83.3%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes			
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes			
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	No			
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	Yes			
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes			
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	Yes			

COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The MSAIC has achieved 8 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	8	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes			
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes			
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes			
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes			
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	Yes			
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	Yes			
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	Yes			
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes			

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Definition: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans



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Number of Attributes Achieved



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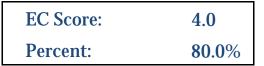
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Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
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6. Fusion center has a privacy policy outreach plan	No

EC 2: Sustainment

Definition: The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

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Number of Attributes Achieved



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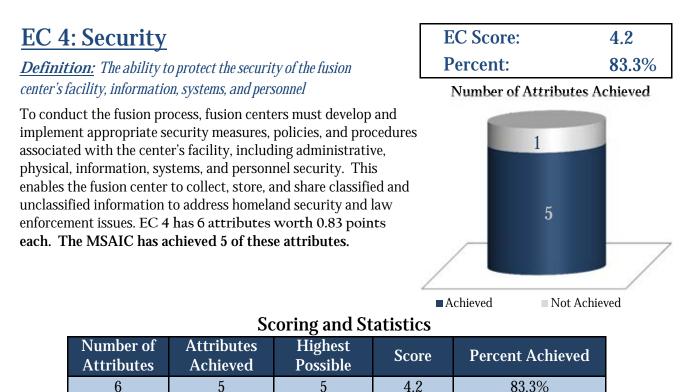
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	5	4.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	No
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3. Fusion center completes annual operational cost assessment	Yes
4. Fusion center conducts an exercise at least once a year	Yes
5. Fusion center measures its performance and determines the effectiveness of its operations relative to expectations it or its governing entity have defined	Yes

EC 3: Communications and **EC Score**: 3.3 **Outreach Percent:** 66.7% **Definition:** The ability to develop and execute a communications and Number of Attributes Achieved outreach plan By establishing and enhancing collaborative relationships with fusion center stakeholders, fusion centers can expand their 1 customer base and enhance information flow with these partners. Successful communications and outreach activities enable fusion centers to engage law enforcement, as well as multidisciplinary partners in the fusion process. The 3 attributes of EC 3 are 2 worth 1.67 points. The MSAIC has achieved 2 of these attributes. Achieved Not Achieved **Scoring and Statistics**

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved	
3	2	5	3.3	66.7%	

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	Yes
2. Fusion center has an approved communication plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has a process for capturing success stories	No



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Appendix I. Strengthening Fusion Center Capabilities through Gap Mitigation

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In 2012, the Federal Government will continue to focus its support for fusion centers through the delivery and deployment of gap mitigation resources. These gap mitigation resources provide fusion centers with the knowledge, skills, and tools necessary to enable the effective execution of the fusion process.

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North Carolina Information Sharing and Analysis Center

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In order to assess the capabilities of the National Network, the 2011 Assessment determined the progress of fusion center's achievement of the Critical Operational Capabilities (COCs) (Receive, Analyze, Disseminate, and Gather), which reflect the operational priorities of the National Network, and Enabling Capabilities (ECs) (Privacy/Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, Sustainment, Communications and Outreach, and Security), which strengthens the fusion process.

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North Carolina Information Sharing and Analysis Center (NC ISAAC)

Overall Score: 78.0 National 76.8

Network Average:

Demographic Information

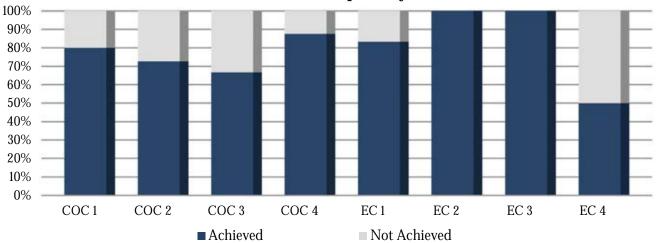
RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: Counterterrorism

Staffing Levels: 14 full time, 5 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2006

	Total	<u>Fus</u>	ion Center		National 1	<u>Network</u>
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	4	16.0	80.0%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	8	14.5	72.7%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	4	13.3	66.7%	13.1	65.7%
COC 4: Gather	8	7	17.5	87.5%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	5	4.2	83.3%	4.1	82.2%
EC 2: Sustainment	5	5	5.0	100%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	3	5.0	100%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	3	2.5	50.0%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC 1 is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The NC ISAAC has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	20	16.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	No
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

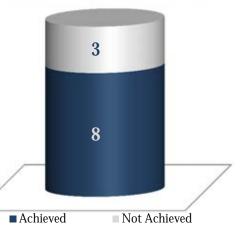
COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The NC ISAAC has achieved 8 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

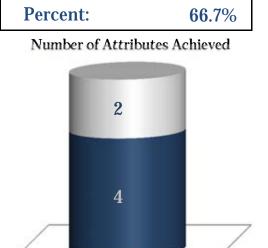
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	8	20	14.5	72.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	No
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	No
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	No

COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The NC ISAAC has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



Not Achieved

13.3

COC Score:

Achieved

Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	4	20	13.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	Yes
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved	
8	7	20	17.5	87.5%	

Attributes	Capability				
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes				
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes				
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes				
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes				
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<u>Definition</u>: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans



Number of Attributes Achieved

For fusion centers to successfully engage in information sharing, they must share information in a manner that protects the rights of citizens. Fusion centers implement privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The NC ISAAC has 5 of these attributes.



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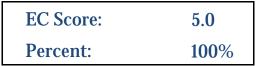
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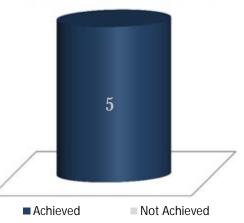
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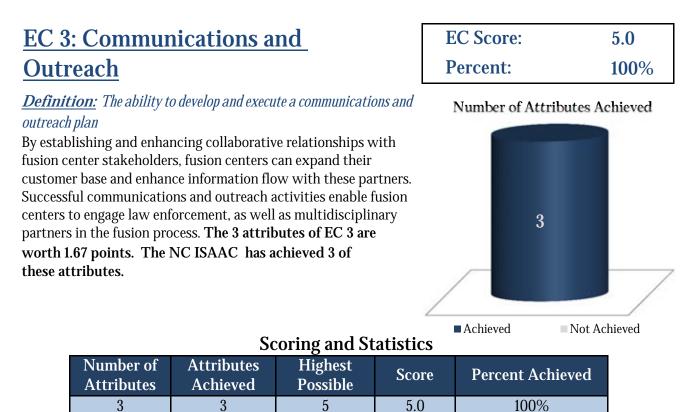
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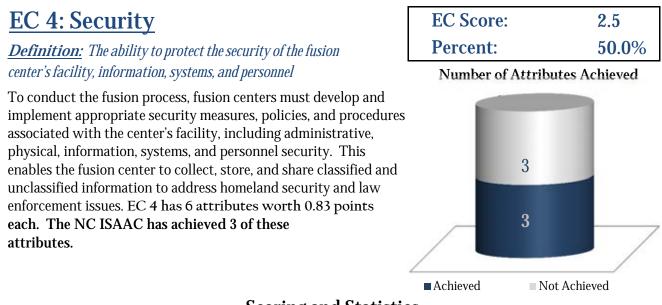
Scoring and Statistics

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Northern California Regional Intelligence Center (NCRIC)

Overall Score:92.7National
Network Average:76.8

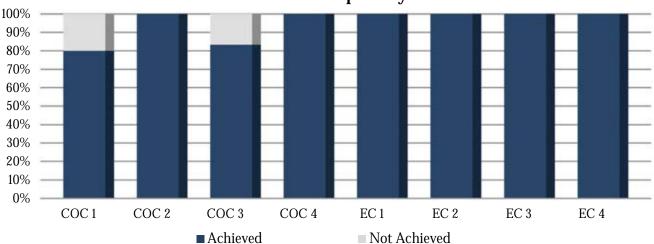
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Recognized Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, counterterrorism, counter drug Staffing Levels: N/A Year Fusion Center Established: 2007

	Total	<u>Fus</u>	<u>Fusion Center</u>			<u>Network</u>
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Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC I is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The NCRIC has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	20	16.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	No
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

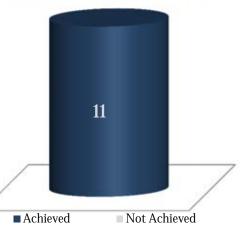
COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The NCRIC has achieved 11 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	11	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	Yes
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

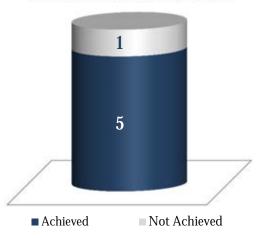
COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The NCRIC has achieved 5 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	5	20	16.7	83.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	Yes
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	No
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	Yes

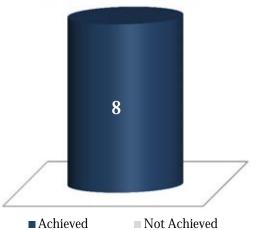
COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The NCRIC has achieved 8 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	8	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability				
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes				
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes				
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes				
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes				
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	Yes				
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	Yes				
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	Yes				
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes				

<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

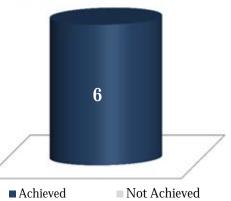
<u>Definition</u>: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans

For fusion centers to successfully engage in information sharing, they must share information in a manner that protects the rights of citizens. Fusion centers implement privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The NCRIC has achieved

6 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

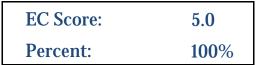
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	6	5	5.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	Yes
3. Fusion center's policies, processes, and mechanisms for receiving, cataloging, and retaining information (provided to the center) comply with 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
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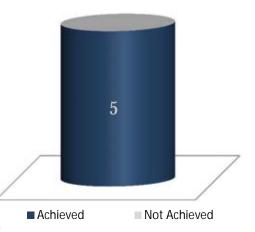
EC 2: Sustainment

<u>**Definition:**</u> The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

To ensure the long term growth and maturation of the National Network of Fusion Centers, fusion centers must develop and execute strategies aimed at ensuring their long-term sustainment and reflecting the return on the investment of resources. By implementing strategies, fusion centers can more efficiently and effectively apply resources to achieve and maintain critical and enabling capabilities and perform core missions. **EC 2 has 5 attributes, each worth 1 point. The NCRIC has achieved 5 of these attributes.**



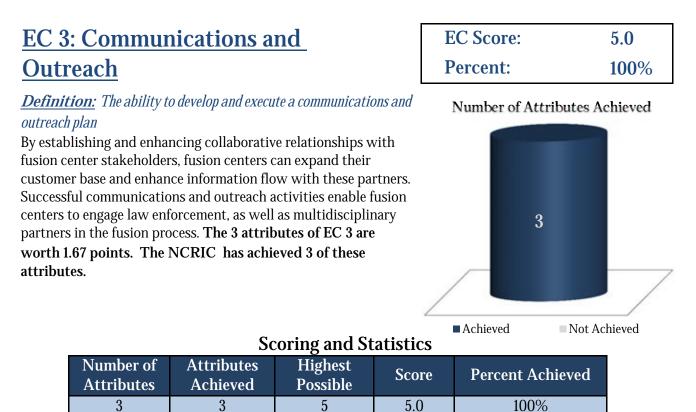
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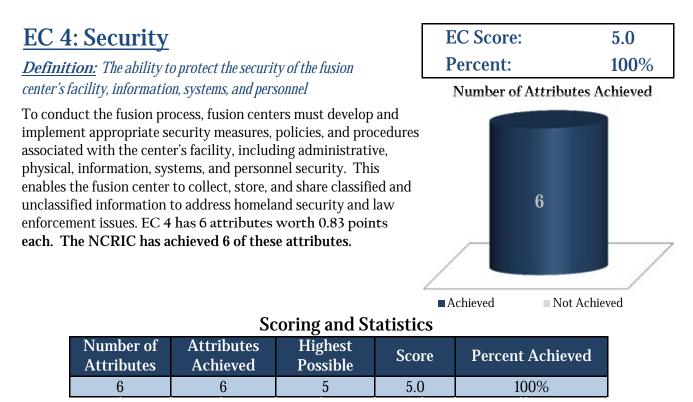
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1. Fusion center has an approved security plan that addresses personnel, physical and information security	Yes
2. Fusion center trains all personnel on the fusion center's security plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has a designated Security Liaison	Yes
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Appendix I. Strengthening Fusion Center Capabilities through Gap Mitigation

Federal, state, and local fusion center stakeholders share a common goal of supporting a nationwide capacity for receiving, analyzing, disseminating and gathering threat information. The purpose of gap mitigation is to assist fusion centers in fully achieving and maintaining their capacity to execute the COCs, the ECs, and additional priority areas. Building these capabilities requires support across four key components:

- 1. <u>Policies and Processes:</u> By having documented policies and processes, a fusion center has the ability to focus organizational resources on the consistent, standardized, and effective execution of the capability.
- 2. <u>**People:**</u> By having people with the appropriate training, skills, and knowledge, the fusion center has the expertise to execute the capability.
- 3. <u>Technology</u>: By having access to relevant technology, the fusion center has the ability to execute the capability in a timely, efficient, and cost effective manner.
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In 2012, the Federal Government will continue to focus its support for fusion centers through the delivery and deployment of gap mitigation resources. These gap mitigation resources provide fusion centers with the knowledge, skills, and tools necessary to enable the effective execution of the fusion process.

Informed by the results of the 2011 Fusion Center Assessment (2011 Assessment), both in terms of fusion centers' capabilities and of the effectiveness of federal support, the Federal Government identified those resources that can most effectively support fusion centers with mitigating identified capability gaps. As part of this process, the Federal Government identified over 40 new or existing activities to support gap mitigation efforts in 2012. These activities are aligned to the four COCs, the four ECs, and an additional priority area of Governance.

The full menu of 2012 gap mitigation activities will be shared with Fusion Center Directors and also included in the 2011 Fusion Center Assessment Final Report. By leveraging the resources identified in this document, the National Network of Fusion Centers can enhance their capabilities in a manner that not only increases the efficacy and efficiency of individual fusion centers but also supports the maturation of an integrated National Network.

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Introduction

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), in coordination with its interagency partnersⁱ and the National Network of Fusion Centers (National Network), conducted the 2011 Fusion Center Assessment (2011 Assessment) to demonstrate the value of the National Network in protecting and securing the homeland. Fusion centers are analytic hubs responsible for applying a local context to the national threat picture to support prevention and protection activities at the federal, state and local levels. This assessment is a critical element of a broader Fusion Center Performance Program that will measure the capability and performance of the National Network. The 2011 Assessment measures the maturity of fusion center capabilities, which will allow state and local leaders to identify areas to strengthen capabilities and to support investment requests. Assessment data will also allow the Federal Government to better target support to help fusion centers mitigate capability gaps and maintain those capabilities already in place.

In order to assess the capabilities of the National Network, the 2011 Assessment determined the progress of fusion center's achievement of the Critical Operational Capabilities (COCs) (Receive, Analyze, Disseminate, and Gather), which reflect the operational priorities of the National Network, and Enabling Capabilities (ECs) (Privacy/Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, Sustainment, Communications and Outreach, and Security), which strengthens the fusion process.

Scope and Methodology

The scope of the 2011 Assessment is the progress made by the National Network in achieving the COCs and ECs from October 1, 2010 to August 1, 2011. Individual Fusion Center Reports detail the result of each fusion center independently, providing Fusion Center Directors information necessary to develop Homeland Security Grant Program Investment Justifications, guide resource allocation in general, and improve center operations.

In order to determine the progress made in implementing the COCs and ECs, Fusion Center Directors responded to an online questionnaire. DHS and its federal partners validated this data by conducting thorough reviews of the submissions to ensure consistency of data and minimize data discrepancies. Following these reviews, DHS conducted structured interviews with Fusion Center Directors to address identified issues. DHS analyzed this validated assessment data to evaluate fusion center progress towards achievement of the COCs and ECs.

This report reflects fusion center scores for each COC and EC, as well as an overall score. The highest possible score a fusion center can receive is 100 points. As seen in the graphic below, the overall score is computed by adding all COC and EC scores. All four ECs equal the weight of one COC.



¹ Interagency partner participation included members of the Fusion Center Subcommittee of the Information Sharing and Access Interagency Policy Committee: Department of Defense, Department of Justice(DOJ), Nationwide Suspicious Activity Reporting Initiative Program Management Office, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Office of National Drug Control Policy, Program Manager for the Information Sharing Environment, and the DOJ Global Justice Information Sharing Initiative's Criminal Intelligence Coordinating Council which serves in an advisory role to the Subcommittee.

Overall Score: North Central Texas Fusion Center (NCTFC) National

70.5

76.8

National Network Average:

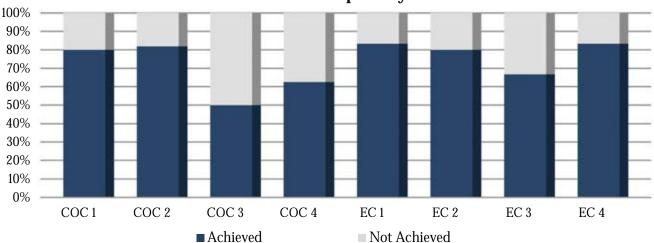
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Recognized Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, all hazards Staffing Levels: 13 full time, 0 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2006

	Total <u>Fusion Center</u>				<u>National</u>	<u>Network</u>
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	4	16.0	80.0%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	9	16.4	81.8%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	3	10.0	50.0%	1' .%	6).+%
COC 4: Gather	8	5	12.5	62.5%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	5	4.2	83.3%	4.1	82.2%
EC 2: Sustainment	5	4	4.0	80.0%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	2	3.3	66.7%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	5	4.2	83.3%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	20	16.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
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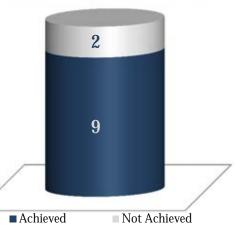
COC 2: Analyze

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Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The **NCTFC has achieved 9 of these attributes**.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	9	20	16.4	81.8%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	No
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	No
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10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	3	20	10.0	50.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	No
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	No
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	No
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	Yes

COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	5	20	12.5	62.5%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	No
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	No
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	No
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	Yes
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	Yes
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<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

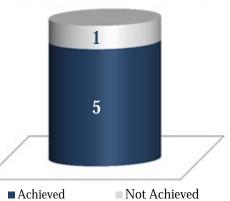
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5 of these attributes.

EC Score:	4.2
Percent:	83.3%

Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

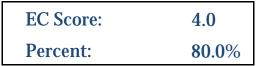
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	5	5	4.2	83.3%

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1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
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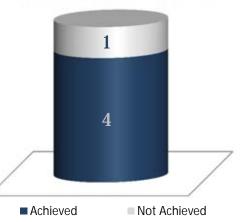
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Number of Attributes Achieved



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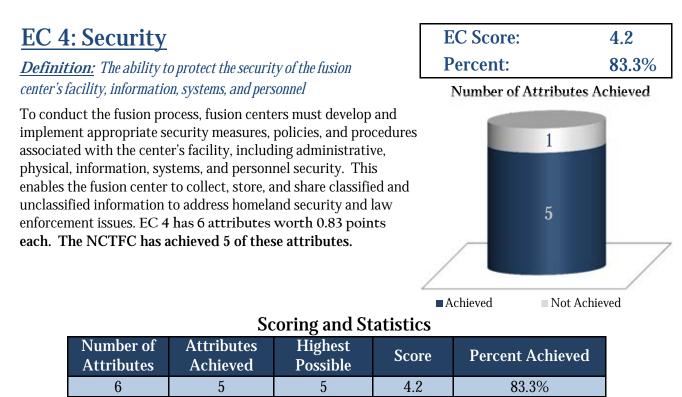
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EC Score: EC 3: Communications and 3.3 **Outreach Percent:** 66.7% **Definition:** The ability to develop and execute a communications and Number of Attributes Achieved outreach plan By establishing and enhancing collaborative relationships with fusion center stakeholders, fusion centers can expand their 1 customer base and enhance information flow with these partners. Successful communications and outreach activities enable fusion centers to engage law enforcement, as well as multidisciplinary partners in the fusion process. The 3 attributes of EC 3 are 2 worth 1.67 points. The NCTFC has achieved 2 of these attributes. Achieved Not Achieved Scoring and Statistics

	Scoring and Statistics						
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved			
3	2	5	3.3	66.7%			

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	Yes
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Introduction

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In order to assess the capabilities of the National Network, the 2011 Assessment determined the progress of fusion center's achievement of the Critical Operational Capabilities (COCs) (Receive, Analyze, Disseminate, and Gather), which reflect the operational priorities of the National Network, and Enabling Capabilities (ECs) (Privacy/Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, Sustainment, Communications and Outreach, and Security), which strengthens the fusion process.

Scope and Methodology

The scope of the 2011 Assessment is the progress made by the National Network in achieving the COCs and ECs from October 1, 2010 to August 1, 2011. Individual Fusion Center Reports detail the result of each fusion center independently, providing Fusion Center Directors information necessary to develop Homeland Security Grant Program Investment Justifications, guide resource allocation in general, and improve center operations.

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This report reflects fusion center scores for each COC and EC, as well as an overall score. The highest possible score a fusion center can receive is 100 points. As seen in the graphic below, the overall score is computed by adding all COC and EC scores. All four ECs equal the weight of one COC.



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North Dakota State & Local Intelligence Center (NDSLIC)

Overall Score: 68.5

76.8

National Network Average:

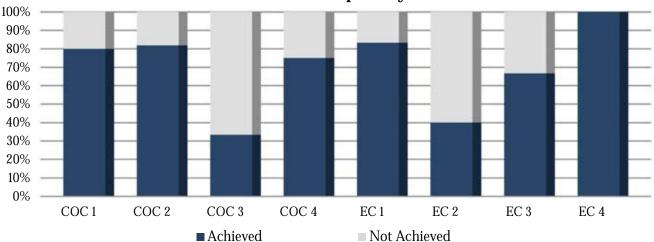
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: 12 full time, 0 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2004

	Total	<u>Fusion Center</u>			National 1	<u>Network</u>
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	4	16.0	80.0%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	9	16.4	81.8%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	2	6.7	33.3%	13.1	65.7%
COC 4: Gather	8	6	15.0	75.0%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	5	4.2	83.3%	4.1	82.2%
EC 2: Sustainment	5	2	2.0	40.0%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	2	3.3	66.7%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	6	5.0	100%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC 1 is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The NDSLIC has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	20	16.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	No
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

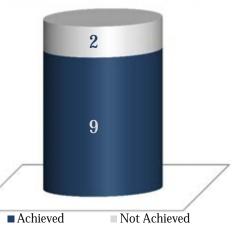
COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The **NDSLIC has achieved 9 of these attributes**.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	9	20	16.4	81.8%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	No
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	No
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The NDSLIC has achieved 2 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	2	20	6.7	33.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	No
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	No
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	No
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No

COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The NDSLIC has achieved 6 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



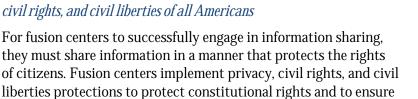
Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	6	20	15.0	75.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	No
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	No
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	Yes
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	Yes
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	Yes
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes

<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

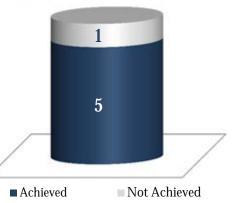
<u>Definition</u>: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans



fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The NDSLIC has achieved 5 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	5	5	4.2	83.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	Yes
3. Fusion center's policies, processes, and mechanisms for receiving, cataloging, and retaining information (provided to the center) comply with 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
4. Fusion center trains all personnel who access criminal intelligence systems in 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
5. Fusion center has identified a Privacy/CRCL Officer for the center	Yes
6. Fusion center has a privacy policy outreach plan	No

EC 2: Sustainment

Definition: The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

To ensure the long term growth and maturation of the National Network of Fusion Centers, fusion centers must develop and execute strategies aimed at ensuring their long-term sustainment and reflecting the return on the investment of resources. By implementing strategies, fusion centers can more efficiently and effectively apply resources to achieve and maintain critical and enabling capabilities and perform core missions. EC 2 has 5 attributes, each worth 1 point. The NDSLIC has achieved 2 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

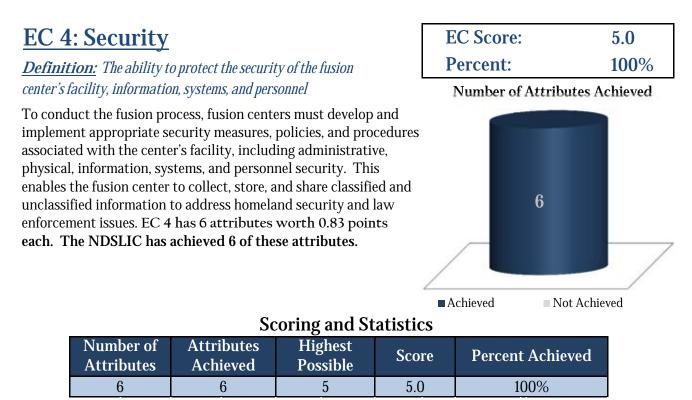
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	2	5	2.0	40.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	No
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3. Fusion center completes annual operational cost assessment	Yes
4. Fusion center conducts an exercise at least once a year	Yes
5. Fusion center measures its performance and determines the effectiveness of its operations relative to expectations it or its governing entity have defined	No

EC Score: EC 3: Communications and 3.3 **Outreach Percent:** 66.7% **Definition:** The ability to develop and execute a communications and Number of Attributes Achieved outreach plan By establishing and enhancing collaborative relationships with fusion center stakeholders, fusion centers can expand their 1 customer base and enhance information flow with these partners. Successful communications and outreach activities enable fusion centers to engage law enforcement, as well as multidisciplinary partners in the fusion process. The 3 attributes of EC 3 are 2 worth 1.67 points. The NDSLIC has achieved 2 of these attributes. Achieved Not Achieved Scoring and Statistics

Scoring and Statistics				
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
3	2	5	3.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	Yes
2. Fusion center has an approved communication plan	No
3. Fusion center has a process for capturing success stories	Yes



Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved security plan that addresses personnel, physical and information security	Yes
2. Fusion center trains all personnel on the fusion center's security plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has a designated Security Liaison	Yes
4. Fusion center's Security Liaison (or other organization's Security Liaison) completes annual training	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to the Central Verification System (CVS)	Yes
6. Fusion center's Security Liaison (or other organization's Security Liaison) is trained on how to use CVS	Yes

Appendix I. Strengthening Fusion Center Capabilities through Gap Mitigation

Federal, state, and local fusion center stakeholders share a common goal of supporting a nationwide capacity for receiving, analyzing, disseminating and gathering threat information. The purpose of gap mitigation is to assist fusion centers in fully achieving and maintaining their capacity to execute the COCs, the ECs, and additional priority areas. Building these capabilities requires support across four key components:

- 1. <u>Policies and Processes:</u> By having documented policies and processes, a fusion center has the ability to focus organizational resources on the consistent, standardized, and effective execution of the capability.
- 2. <u>**People:**</u> By having people with the appropriate training, skills, and knowledge, the fusion center has the expertise to execute the capability.
- 3. <u>Technology</u>: By having access to relevant technology, the fusion center has the ability to execute the capability in a timely, efficient, and cost effective manner.
- 4. <u>**Partners:**</u> By working with partners, the fusion center has the ability to execute and deliver the capability to meet evolving customer needs and requirements.

In 2012, the Federal Government will continue to focus its support for fusion centers through the delivery and deployment of gap mitigation resources. These gap mitigation resources provide fusion centers with the knowledge, skills, and tools necessary to enable the effective execution of the fusion process.

Informed by the results of the 2011 Fusion Center Assessment (2011 Assessment), both in terms of fusion centers' capabilities and of the effectiveness of federal support, the Federal Government identified those resources that can most effectively support fusion centers with mitigating identified capability gaps. As part of this process, the Federal Government identified over 40 new or existing activities to support gap mitigation efforts in 2012. These activities are aligned to the four COCs, the four ECs, and an additional priority area of Governance.

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2011 Fusion Center Assessment Individual Report

Northeast Ohio Regional Fusion Center

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Northeast Ohio Regional Fusion Center (NEORFC)

Overall Score:61.7National
Network Average:76.8

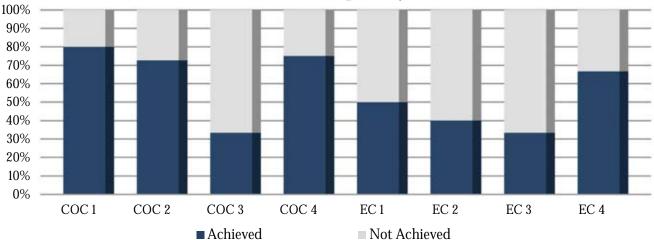
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Recognized Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, all hazards, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: 5 full time, 2 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2007

	Total	<u>Fus</u>	ion Center		National 1	<u>Network</u>
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Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

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Achievement of Capability Attributes

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	20	16.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	Yes
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	No
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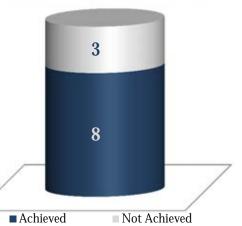
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	8	20	14.5	72.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	No
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	No
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	No
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The NEORFC has achieved 2 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	2	20	6.7	33.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	No
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	No
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	No
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No

COC 4: Gather

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Not Achieved

Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	6	20	15.0	75.0%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	No			
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes			
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes			
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes			
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	Yes			
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	Yes			
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	No			
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes			

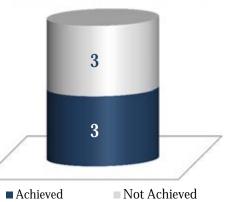
<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

<u>Definition</u>: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans



Number of Attributes Achieved

For fusion centers to successfully engage in information sharing, they must share information in a manner that protects the rights of citizens. Fusion centers implement privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The NEORFC has 3 of these attributes.



Scoring and Statistics

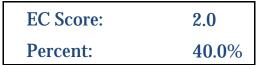
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	3	5	2.5	50.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	No
3. Fusion center's policies, processes, and mechanisms for receiving, cataloging, and retaining information (provided to the center) comply with 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
4. Fusion center trains all personnel who access criminal intelligence systems in 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
5. Fusion center has identified a Privacy/CRCL Officer for the center	No
6. Fusion center has a privacy policy outreach plan	No

EC 2: Sustainment

<u>**Definition:**</u> The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

To ensure the long term growth and maturation of the National Network of Fusion Centers, fusion centers must develop and execute strategies aimed at ensuring their long-term sustainment and reflecting the return on the investment of resources. By implementing strategies, fusion centers can more efficiently and effectively apply resources to achieve and maintain critical and enabling capabilities and perform core missions. **EC 2 has 5 attributes, each worth 1 point. The NEORFC has achieved 2 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

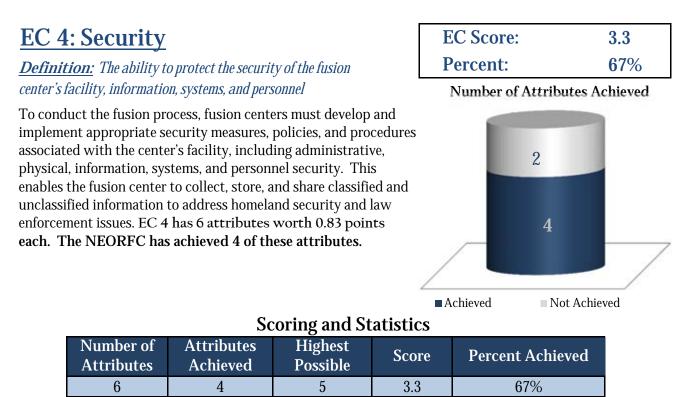
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	2	5	2.0	40.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	No
2. Fusion center conducts an annual financial audit	Yes
3. Fusion center completes annual operational cost assessment	Yes
4. Fusion center conducts an exercise at least once a year	No
5. Fusion center measures its performance and determines the effectiveness of its operations relative to expectations it or its governing entity have defined	No

EC Score: EC 3: Communications and 1.7 **Outreach Percent:** 33.3% **Definition:** The ability to develop and execute a communications and Number of Attributes Achieved outreach plan By establishing and enhancing collaborative relationships with fusion center stakeholders, fusion centers can expand their customer base and enhance information flow with these partners. 2 Successful communications and outreach activities enable fusion centers to engage law enforcement, as well as multidisciplinary partners in the fusion process. The 3 attributes of EC 3 are worth 1.67 points. The NEORFC has achieved 1 of these attributes. 1 Achieved Not Achieved Scoring and Statistics

Scoring and Statistics					
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3	1	5	1.7	33.3%	

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2011 Fusion Center Assessment Individual Report

New Hampshire Information and Analysis Center

Revised March 2012



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Introduction

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This report reflects fusion center scores for each COC and EC, as well as an overall score. The highest possible score a fusion center can receive is 100 points. As seen in the graphic below, the overall score is computed by adding all COC and EC scores. All four ECs equal the weight of one COC.



¹ Interagency partner participation included members of the Fusion Center Subcommittee of the Information Sharing and Access Interagency Policy Committee: Department of Defense, Department of Justice(DOJ), Nationwide Suspicious Activity Reporting Initiative Program Management Office, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Office of National Drug Control Policy, Program Manager for the Information Sharing Environment, and the DOJ Global Justice Information Sharing Initiative's Criminal Intelligence Coordinating Council which serves in an advisory role to the Subcommittee.

New Hampshire Information and Analysis Center (NHIAC)

Overall Score:72.9National
Network Average:76.8

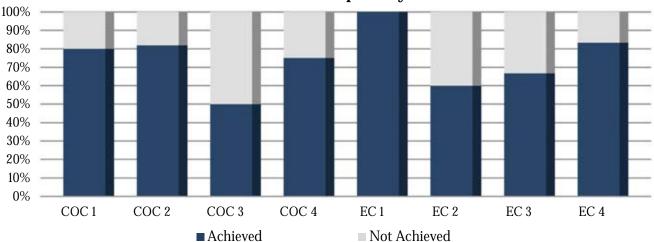
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, all hazards, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: 5 full time, 1 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2009

	Total	<u>Fus</u>	ion Center	<u>National Network</u>		
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	4	16.0	80.0%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	9	16.4	81.8%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	3	10.0	50.0%	13.1	65.7%
COC 4: Gather	8	6	15.0	75.0%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	6	5.0	100%	4.1	82.2%
EC 2: Sustainment	5	3	3.0	60.0%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	2	3.3	66.7%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	5	4.2	83.3%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC I is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The NHIAC has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	20	16.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	No
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	Yes
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

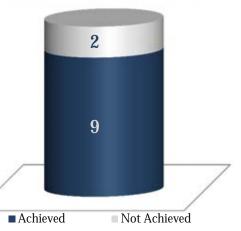
COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The NHIAC has achieved 9 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	9	20	16.4	81.8%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	No
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	No
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

COC 3: DisseminateCODefinition:The ability to further disseminate threatinformation to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entitieswithin their jurisdictionsFusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligenceproducts to law enforcement and homeland security customers.

products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The NHIAC has achieved 3 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	3	20	10.0	50.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	No
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	Yes
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	No
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No

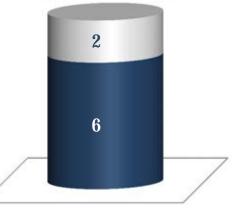
COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

COC Score:	15.0
Percent:	75.0%

Number of Attributes Achieved

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The NHIAC has achieved 6 of these attributes.



Achieved Not Achieved

Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	6	20	15.0	75.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	No
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	Yes
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	Yes
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	No
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes

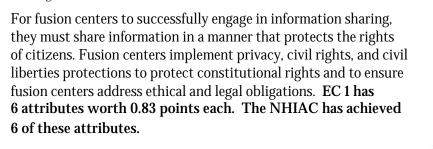
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties

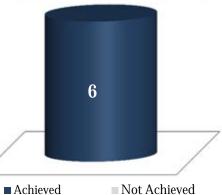
civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans

Definition: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy,

EC Score:5.0Percent:100%

Number of Attributes Achieved





Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	6	5	5.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	Yes
3. Fusion center's policies, processes, and mechanisms for receiving, cataloging, and retaining information (provided to the center) comply with 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
4. Fusion center trains all personnel who access criminal intelligence systems in 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
5. Fusion center has identified a Privacy/CRCL Officer for the center	Yes
6. Fusion center has a privacy policy outreach plan	Yes

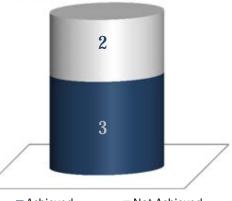
EC 2: Sustainment

<u>Definition</u>: The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

To ensure the long term growth and maturation of the National Network of Fusion Centers, fusion centers must develop and execute strategies aimed at ensuring their long-term sustainment and reflecting the return on the investment of resources. By implementing strategies, fusion centers can more efficiently and effectively apply resources to achieve and maintain critical and enabling capabilities and perform core missions. EC 2 has 5 attributes, each worth 1 point. The NHIAC has achieved 3 of these attributes.

EC Score:	3.0
Percent:	60.0%

Number of Attributes Achieved



Achieved

Not Achieved

Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	3	5	3.0	60.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	No
2. Fusion center conducts an annual financial audit	Yes
3. Fusion center completes annual operational cost assessment	Yes
4. Fusion center conducts an exercise at least once a year	Yes
5. Fusion center measures its performance and determines the effectiveness of its operations relative to expectations it or its governing entity have defined	No

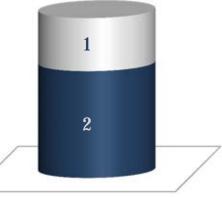
EC 3: Communications and Outreach

<u>Definition</u>: The ability to develop and execute a communications and outreach plan

By establishing and enhancing collaborative relationships with fusion center stakeholders, fusion centers can expand their customer base and enhance information flow with these partners. Successful communications and outreach activities enable fusion centers to engage law enforcement, as well as multidisciplinary partners in the fusion process. **The 3 attributes of EC 3 are worth 1.67 points. The NHIAC has achieved 2 of these attributes.**

EC Score:	3.3
Percent:	66.7 %

Number of Attributes Achieved



Achieved

Not Achieved

Scoring and Statistics	
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Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
3	2	5	3.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
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3. Fusion center has a process for capturing success stories	No

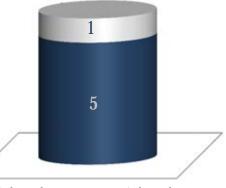
EC 4: Security

<u>Definition</u>: The ability to protect the security of the fusion center's facility, information, systems, and personnel

EC Score:	4.2
Percent:	83%

Number of Attributes Achieved

To conduct the fusion process, fusion centers must develop and implement appropriate security measures, policies, and procedures associated with the center's facility, including administrative, physical, information, systems, and personnel security. This enables the fusion center to collect, store, and share classified and unclassified information to address homeland security and law enforcement issues. EC 4 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The NHIAC has achieved 5 of these attributes.



Achieved

Not Achieved

Scoring and Statistics

Scoring and Statistics						
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved		
6	5	5	4.2	83%		

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved security plan that addresses personnel, physical and information security	No
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Nebraska Information Analysis Center

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Nebraska Information Analysis Center (NIAC)Overall Score:84.7National
Network Average:76.8

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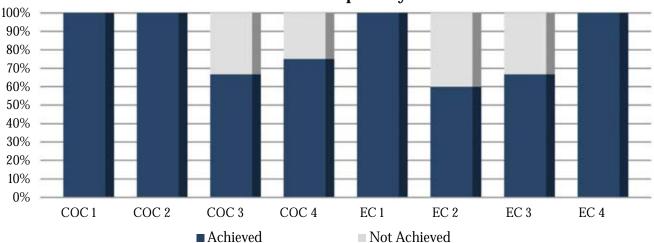
RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All hazards

Staffing Levels: 18 full time, 1 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2007

	Total	<u>Fus</u>	Fusion Center			<u>Network</u>
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	5	20.0	100%	17.1	85.6%
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Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

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Achievement of Capability Attributes

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COC 1: Receive

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Number of Attributes Achieved



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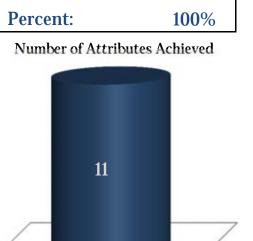
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5	5	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
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3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
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COC 2: Analyze

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Not Achieved

20.0

COC Score:

Achieved

Scoring and Statistics

Scoring and Statistics						
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved		
11	11	20	20.0	100%		

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	Ye s
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

COC 3: Disseminate

<u>Definition</u>: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The NIAC has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes		Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	4	20	13.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	No
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	Yes
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	Yes
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No

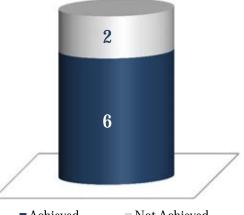
COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The NIAC has achieved 6 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



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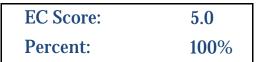
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	6	20	15.0	75.0%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes			
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes			
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes			
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes			
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	No			
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	Yes			
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	No			
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes			

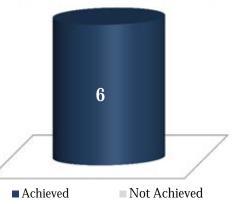
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Number of Attributes Achieved



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Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	6	5	5.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	Yes
3. Fusion center's policies, processes, and mechanisms for receiving, cataloging, and retaining information (provided to the center) comply with 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
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EC 2: Sustainment

<u>**Definition:**</u> The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

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Number of Attributes Achieved



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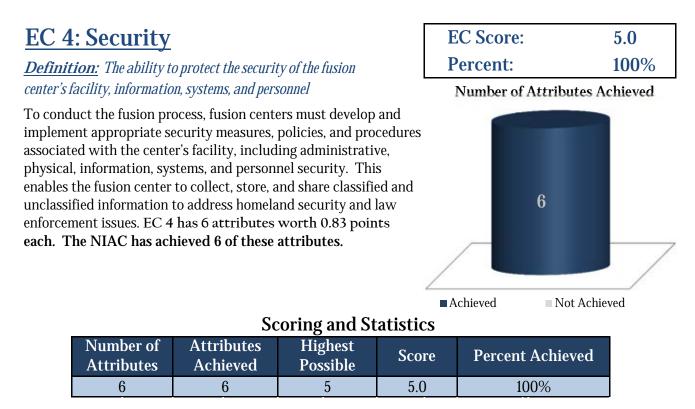
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	3	5	3.0	60.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	No
2. Fusion center conducts an annual financial audit	No
3. Fusion center completes annual operational cost assessment	Yes
4. Fusion center conducts an exercise at least once a year	Yes
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EC Score: EC 3: Communications and 3.3 **Outreach Percent:** 66.7% **Definition:** The ability to develop and execute a communications and Number of Attributes Achieved outreach plan By establishing and enhancing collaborative relationships with fusion center stakeholders, fusion centers can expand their 1 customer base and enhance information flow with these partners. Successful communications and outreach activities enable fusion centers to engage law enforcement, as well as multidisciplinary partners in the fusion process. The 3 attributes of EC 3 are 2 worth 1.67 points. The NIAC has achieved 2 of these attributes. Achieved Not Achieved Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved	
3	2	5	3.3	66.7%	

Attributes	Capability
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New Jersey Regional Operations Intelligence Center

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New Jersey Regional Operations Intelligence Center (NJ ROIC)

Overall Score:46.4National
Network Average:76.8

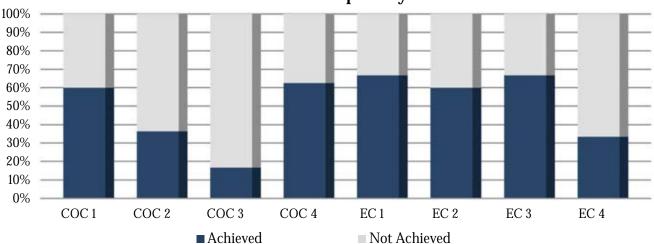
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, all hazards, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: 91 full time, 10 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2005

	Total	<u>Fusion Center</u>			National 1	<u>Network</u>
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	3	12.0	60.0%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	4	7.3	36.4%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	1	3.3	16.7%	1' '%	65"+%
COC 4: Gather	8	5	12.5	62.5%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	4	3.3	66.7%	4.1	82.2%
EC 2: Sustainment	5	3	3.0	60.0%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	2	3.3	66.7%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	2	1.7	33.3%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.

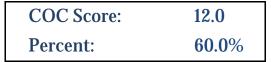


Achievement of Capability Attributes

COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC 1 is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The NJ ROIC has achieved 3 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	3	20	12.0	60.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	No
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	No
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

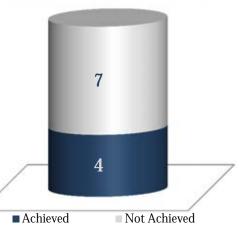
COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The NJ ROIC has achieved 4 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	4	20	7.3	36.4%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	No
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	No
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	No
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	No
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	No
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	No
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	No

COC 3: Disseminate <u>Definition:</u> The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The NJ ROIC has achieved 1 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	1	20	3.3	16.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	No
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	No
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	No
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Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	5	20	12.5	62.5%

Attributes	Capability					
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes					
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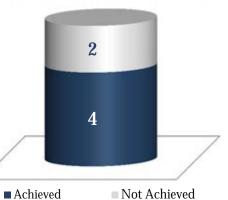
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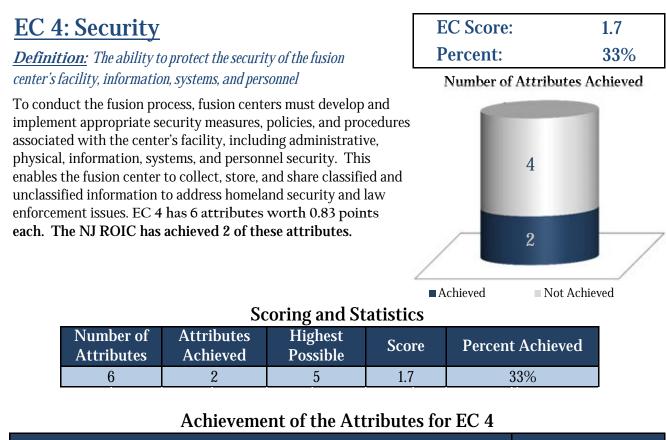
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Number of Attributes	8		Score Percent Achieve	
3	2	5	3.3	66.7%

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New Mexico All Source Intelligence Center (NMASIC)

Overall Score:50.8National
Network Average:76.8

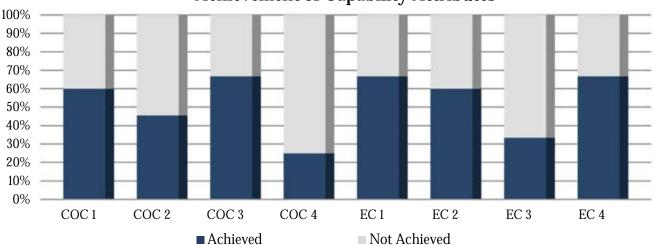
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EC 2: Sustainment	5	3	3.0	60.0%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	1	1.7	33.3%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	4	3.3	66.7%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.

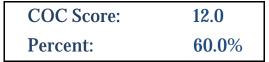


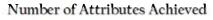
Achievement of Capability Attributes

COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC 1 is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The NMASIC has achieved 3 of these attributes.**







Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	3	20	12.0	60.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	No
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	No
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

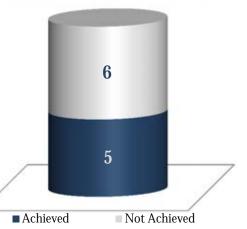
COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The NMASIC has achieved 5 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

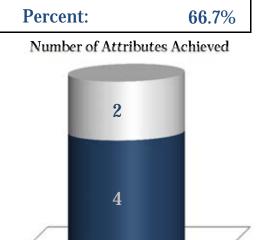
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	5	20	9.1	45.5%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	No
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	No
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	No
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	No
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	No
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	No

COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The NMASIC has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



13.3

Achieved Not Achieved

COC Score:

Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes		Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	4	20	13.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	No
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	Yes
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	No
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	Yes

COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The NMASIC has achieved 2 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	2	20	5.0	25.0%

Attributes	Capability		
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	No		
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes		
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes		
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	No		
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	No		
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	No		
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	No		
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	No		

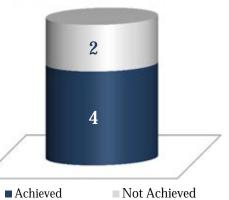
<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

<u>Definition</u>: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans



Number of Attributes Achieved

For fusion centers to successfully engage in information sharing, they must share information in a manner that protects the rights of citizens. Fusion centers implement privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The NMASIC has 4 of these attributes.



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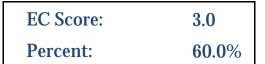
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6	4	5	3.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	Yes
3. Fusion center's policies, processes, and mechanisms for receiving, cataloging, and retaining information (provided to the center) comply with 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
4. Fusion center trains all personnel who access criminal intelligence systems in 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
5. Fusion center has identified a Privacy/CRCL Officer for the center	No
6. Fusion center has a privacy policy outreach plan	No

EC 2: Sustainment

<u>**Definition:**</u> The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

To ensure the long term growth and maturation of the National Network of Fusion Centers, fusion centers must develop and execute strategies aimed at ensuring their long-term sustainment and reflecting the return on the investment of resources. By implementing strategies, fusion centers can more efficiently and effectively apply resources to achieve and maintain critical and enabling capabilities and perform core missions. **EC 2 has 5 attributes, each worth 1 point. The NMASIC has achieved 3 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



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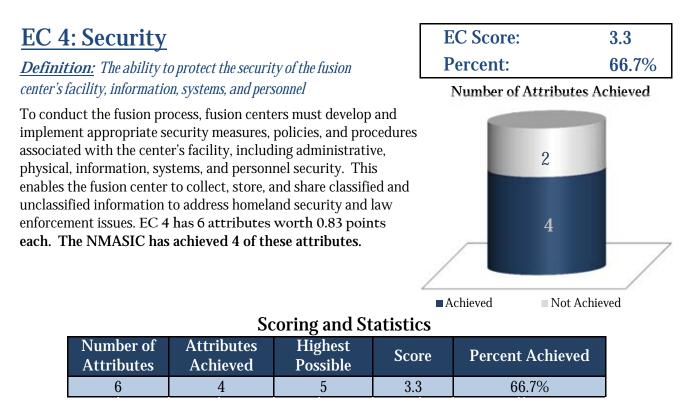
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	3	5	3.0	60.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	No
2. Fusion center conducts an annual financial audit	Yes
3. Fusion center completes annual operational cost assessment	Yes
4. Fusion center conducts an exercise at least once a year	Yes
5. Fusion center measures its performance and determines the effectiveness of its operations relative to expectations it or its governing entity have defined	No

EC Score: EC 3: Communications and 1.7 **Outreach Percent:** 33.3% **Definition:** The ability to develop and execute a communications and Number of Attributes Achieved outreach plan By establishing and enhancing collaborative relationships with fusion center stakeholders, fusion centers can expand their customer base and enhance information flow with these partners. 2 Successful communications and outreach activities enable fusion centers to engage law enforcement, as well as multidisciplinary partners in the fusion process. The 3 attributes of EC 3 are worth 1.67 points. The NMASIC has achieved 1 of these attributes. 1 Achieved Not Achieved Scoring and Statistics

Scoring and Statistics				
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
3	1	5	1.7	33.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	Yes
2. Fusion center has an approved communication plan	No
3. Fusion center has a process for capturing success stories	No



Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved security plan that addresses personnel, physical and information security	No
2. Fusion center trains all personnel on the fusion center's security plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has a designated Security Liaison	Yes
4. Fusion center's Security Liaison (or other organization's Security Liaison) completes annual training	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to the Central Verification System (CVS)	Yes
6. Fusion center's Security Liaison (or other organization's Security Liaison) is trained on how to use CVS	No

Appendix I. Strengthening Fusion Center Capabilities through Gap Mitigation

Federal, state, and local fusion center stakeholders share a common goal of supporting a nationwide capacity for receiving, analyzing, disseminating and gathering threat information. The purpose of gap mitigation is to assist fusion centers in fully achieving and maintaining their capacity to execute the COCs, the ECs, and additional priority areas. Building these capabilities requires support across four key components:

- 1. <u>Policies and Processes:</u> By having documented policies and processes, a fusion center has the ability to focus organizational resources on the consistent, standardized, and effective execution of the capability.
- 2. <u>**People:**</u> By having people with the appropriate training, skills, and knowledge, the fusion center has the expertise to execute the capability.
- 3. <u>Technology</u>: By having access to relevant technology, the fusion center has the ability to execute the capability in a timely, efficient, and cost effective manner.
- 4. <u>**Partners:**</u> By working with partners, the fusion center has the ability to execute and deliver the capability to meet evolving customer needs and requirements.

In 2012, the Federal Government will continue to focus its support for fusion centers through the delivery and deployment of gap mitigation resources. These gap mitigation resources provide fusion centers with the knowledge, skills, and tools necessary to enable the effective execution of the fusion process.

Informed by the results of the 2011 Fusion Center Assessment (2011 Assessment), both in terms of fusion centers' capabilities and of the effectiveness of federal support, the Federal Government identified those resources that can most effectively support fusion centers with mitigating identified capability gaps. As part of this process, the Federal Government identified over 40 new or existing activities to support gap mitigation efforts in 2012. These activities are aligned to the four COCs, the four ECs, and an additional priority area of Governance.

The full menu of 2012 gap mitigation activities will be shared with Fusion Center Directors and also included in the 2011 Fusion Center Assessment Final Report. By leveraging the resources identified in this document, the National Network of Fusion Centers can enhance their capabilities in a manner that not only increases the efficacy and efficiency of individual fusion centers but also supports the maturation of an integrated National Network.

2011 Fusion Center Assessment Individual Report

Puerto Rico National Security State Information Center

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Introduction

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), in coordination with its interagency partnersⁱ and the National Network of Fusion Centers (National Network), conducted the 2011 Fusion Center Assessment (2011 Assessment) to demonstrate the value of the National Network in protecting and securing the homeland. Fusion centers are analytic hubs responsible for applying a local context to the national threat picture to support prevention and protection activities at the federal, state and local levels. This assessment is a critical element of a broader Fusion Center Performance Program that will measure the capability and performance of the National Network. The 2011 Assessment measures the maturity of fusion center capabilities, which will allow state and local leaders to identify areas to strengthen capabilities and to support investment requests. Assessment data will also allow the Federal Government to better target support to help fusion centers mitigate capability gaps and maintain those capabilities already in place.

In order to assess the capabilities of the National Network, the 2011 Assessment determined the progress of fusion center's achievement of the Critical Operational Capabilities (COCs) (Receive, Analyze, Disseminate, and Gather), which reflect the operational priorities of the National Network, and Enabling Capabilities (ECs) (Privacy/Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, Sustainment, Communications and Outreach, and Security), which strengthens the fusion process.

Scope and Methodology

The scope of the 2011 Assessment is the progress made by the National Network in achieving the COCs and ECs from October 1, 2010 to August 1, 2011. Individual Fusion Center Reports detail the result of each fusion center independently, providing Fusion Center Directors information necessary to develop Homeland Security Grant Program Investment Justifications, guide resource allocation in general, and improve center operations.

In order to determine the progress made in implementing the COCs and ECs, Fusion Center Directors responded to an online questionnaire. DHS and its federal partners validated this data by conducting thorough reviews of the submissions to ensure consistency of data and minimize data discrepancies. Following these reviews, DHS conducted structured interviews with Fusion Center Directors to address identified issues. DHS analyzed this validated assessment data to evaluate fusion center progress towards achievement of the COCs and ECs.

This report reflects fusion center scores for each COC and EC, as well as an overall score. The highest possible score a fusion center can receive is 100 points. As seen in the graphic below, the overall score is computed by adding all COC and EC scores. All four ECs equal the weight of one COC.



¹ Interagency partner participation included members of the Fusion Center Subcommittee of the Information Sharing and Access Interagency Policy Committee: Department of Defense, Department of Justice(DOJ), Nationwide Suspicious Activity Reporting Initiative Program Management Office, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Office of National Drug Control Policy, Program Manager for the Information Sharing Environment, and the DOJ Global Justice Information Sharing Initiative's Criminal Intelligence Coordinating Council which serves in an advisory role to the Subcommittee.

Puerto Rico National Security State Information Center (NSSIC)

Overall Score: 38.1

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National Network Average:

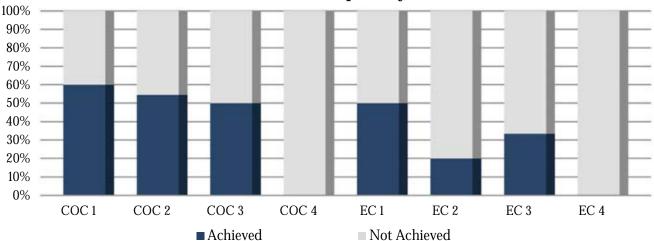
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, all hazards, all threats Staffing Levels: 1 full time, 4 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2011

	Total	<u>Fusion Center</u>			National 1	<u>Network</u>
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	3	12.0	60.0%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	6	10.9	54.5%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	3	10.0	50.0%	13.1	65.7%
COC 4: Gather	8	0	0.0	0.0%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	3	2.5	50.0%	4.1	82.2%
EC 2: Sustainment	5	1	1.0	20.0%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	1	1.7	33.3%	3.3	65.7%
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Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	3	20	12.0	60.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	No
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	Yes
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	No
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

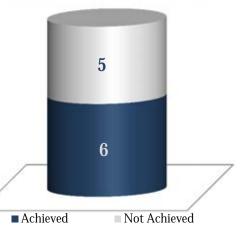
COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The **NSSIC has achieved 6 of these attributes**.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	6	20	10.9	54.5%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	No
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	No
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	No
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	Yes
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	No
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	No
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	3	20	10.0	50.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	No
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	No
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	No
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	Yes

COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The NSSIC has achieved 0 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

		8		
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	0	20	0.0	0.0%

Attributes	Capability		
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	No		
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	No		
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	No		
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	No		
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	No		
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	No		
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	No		
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	No		

<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

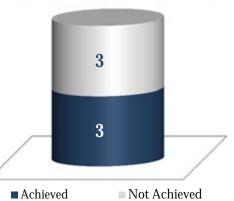
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3 of these attributes.

EC Score:	2.5
Percent:	50.0%

Number of Attributes Achieved



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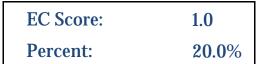
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	3	5	2.5	50.0%

Attributes	Capability	
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes	
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	No	
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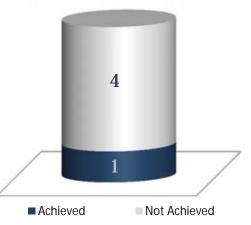
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

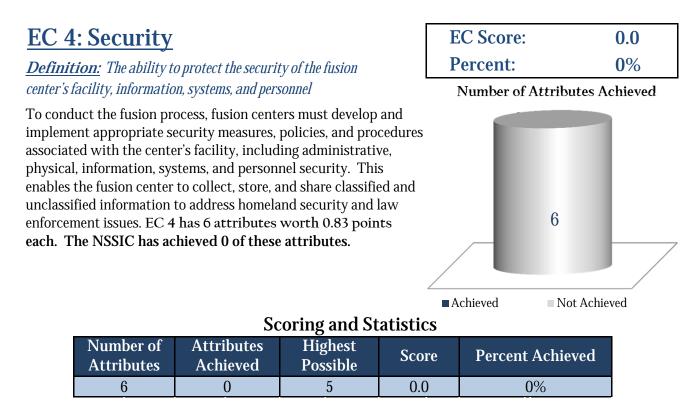
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	1	5	1.0	20.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	No
2. Fusion center conducts an annual financial audit	No
3. Fusion center completes annual operational cost assessment	Yes
4. Fusion center conducts an exercise at least once a year	No
5. Fusion center measures its performance and determines the effectiveness of its operations relative to expectations it or its governing entity have defined	No

EC Score: EC 3: Communications and 1.7 **Outreach Percent:** 33.3% **Definition:** The ability to develop and execute a communications and Number of Attributes Achieved outreach plan By establishing and enhancing collaborative relationships with fusion center stakeholders, fusion centers can expand their customer base and enhance information flow with these partners. 2 Successful communications and outreach activities enable fusion centers to engage law enforcement, as well as multidisciplinary partners in the fusion process. The 3 attributes of EC 3 are worth 1.67 points. The NSSIC has achieved 1 of these attributes. 1 Achieved Not Achieved **Scoring and Statistics**

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
3	1	5	1.7	33.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	Yes
2. Fusion center has an approved communication plan	No
3. Fusion center has a process for capturing success stories	No



Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved security plan that addresses personnel, physical and information security	No
2. Fusion center trains all personnel on the fusion center's security plan	No
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4. Fusion center's Security Liaison (or other organization's Security Liaison) completes annual training	No
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This report reflects fusion center scores for each COC and EC, as well as an overall score. The highest possible score a fusion center can receive is 100 points. As seen in the graphic below, the overall score is computed by adding all COC and EC scores. All four ECs equal the weight of one COC.



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Nevada Threat Analysis Center (NTAC)

Overall Score:62.0

76.8

National Network Average:

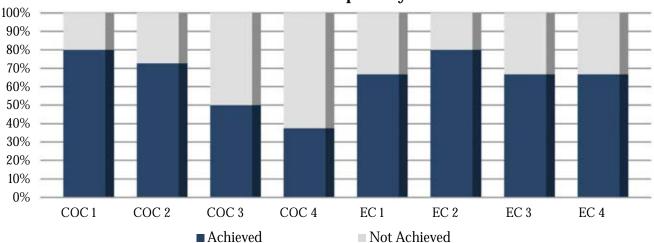
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Recognized Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: 11 full time, 1 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2007

	Total	Total <u>Fusion Center</u>			<u>National Network</u>	
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	4	16.0	80.0%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	8	14.5	72.7%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	3	10.0	50.0%	13.1	65.7%
COC 4: Gather	8	3	7.5	37.5%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	4	3.3	66.7%	4.1	82.2%
EC 2: Sustainment	5	4	4.0	80.0%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	2	3.3	66.7%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	4	3.3	66.7%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC I is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The NTAC has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	20	16.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	No
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

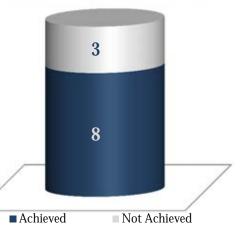
COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The **NTAC has achieved 8 of these attributes**.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	8	20	14.5	72.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	No
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	No
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	No

COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The NTAC has achieved 3 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	3	20	10.0	50.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	No
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	No
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No

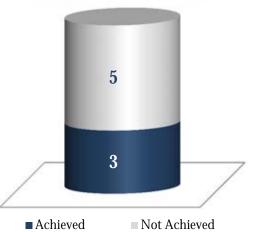
COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

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COC Score:	7.5
Percent:	37.5%

Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	3	20	7.5	37.5%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	No			
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes			
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	No			
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes			
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	No			
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	No			
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	No			
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes			

<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

<u>**Definition:**</u> The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans

For fusion centers to successfully engage in information sharing, they must share information in a manner that protects the rights of citizens. Fusion centers implement privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. **EC 1 has**

6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The NTAC has achieved 4 of these attributes.

EC Score:	3.3
Percent:	66.7%

Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	4	5	3.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	No
3. Fusion center's policies, processes, and mechanisms for receiving, cataloging, and retaining information (provided to the center) comply with 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
4. Fusion center trains all personnel who access criminal intelligence systems in 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
5. Fusion center has identified a Privacy/CRCL Officer for the center	Yes
6. Fusion center has a privacy policy outreach plan	No

EC 2: Sustainment

Definition: The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

To ensure the long term growth and maturation of the National Network of Fusion Centers, fusion centers must develop and execute strategies aimed at ensuring their long-term sustainment and reflecting the return on the investment of resources. By implementing strategies, fusion centers can more efficiently and effectively apply resources to achieve and maintain critical and enabling capabilities and perform core missions. **EC 2 has 5 attributes, each worth 1 point. The NTAC has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



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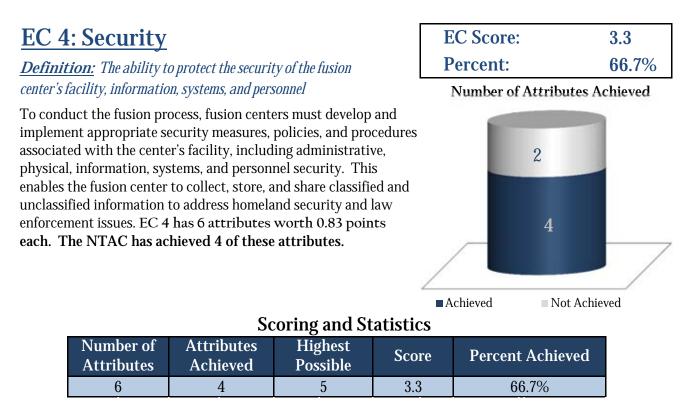
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	5	4.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	Yes
2. Fusion center conducts an annual financial audit	Yes
3. Fusion center completes annual operational cost assessment	Yes
4. Fusion center conducts an exercise at least once a year	Yes
5. Fusion center measures its performance and determines the effectiveness of its operations relative to expectations it or its governing entity have defined	No

EC 3: Communications and **EC Score**: 3.3 **Outreach Percent:** 66.7% **Definition:** The ability to develop and execute a communications and Number of Attributes Achieved outreach plan By establishing and enhancing collaborative relationships with fusion center stakeholders, fusion centers can expand their 1 customer base and enhance information flow with these partners. Successful communications and outreach activities enable fusion centers to engage law enforcement, as well as multidisciplinary partners in the fusion process. The 3 attributes of EC 3 are 2 worth 1.67 points. The NTAC has achieved 2 of these attributes. Achieved Not Achieved **Scoring and Statistics**

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
3	2	5	3.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	Yes
2. Fusion center has an approved communication plan	No
3. Fusion center has a process for capturing success stories	Yes



Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved security plan that addresses personnel, physical and information security	Yes
2. Fusion center trains all personnel on the fusion center's security plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has a designated Security Liaison	Yes
4. Fusion center's Security Liaison (or other organization's Security Liaison) completes annual training	No
5. Fusion center has access to the Central Verification System (CVS)	Yes
6. Fusion center's Security Liaison (or other organization's Security Liaison) is trained on how to use CVS	No

Appendix I. Strengthening Fusion Center Capabilities through Gap Mitigation

Federal, state, and local fusion center stakeholders share a common goal of supporting a nationwide capacity for receiving, analyzing, disseminating and gathering threat information. The purpose of gap mitigation is to assist fusion centers in fully achieving and maintaining their capacity to execute the COCs, the ECs, and additional priority areas. Building these capabilities requires support across four key components:

- 1. <u>Policies and Processes:</u> By having documented policies and processes, a fusion center has the ability to focus organizational resources on the consistent, standardized, and effective execution of the capability.
- 2. <u>**People:**</u> By having people with the appropriate training, skills, and knowledge, the fusion center has the expertise to execute the capability.
- 3. <u>Technology</u>: By having access to relevant technology, the fusion center has the ability to execute the capability in a timely, efficient, and cost effective manner.
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Network Average:76.8

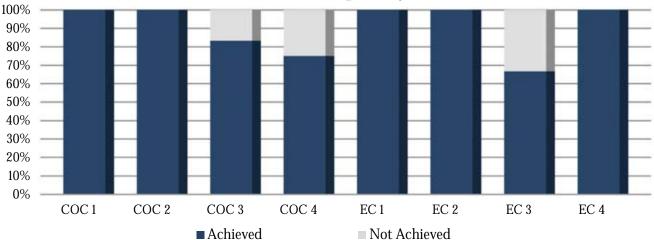
Demographic Information

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Number of Attributes Achieved



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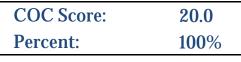
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5	5	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
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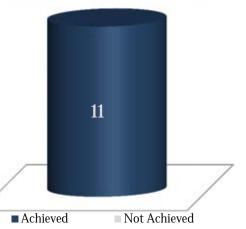
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	11	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conductgthreat assessments within its AOR	Més
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8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	Yes
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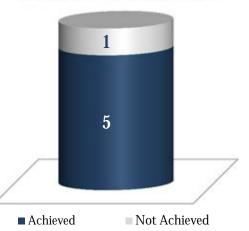
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	5	20	16.7	83.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	Yes
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	Yes
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
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COC 4: Gather

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	6	20	15.0	75.0%

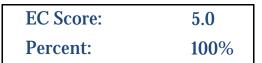
Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes			
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	No			
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes			
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes			
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	No			
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	Yes			
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	Yes			
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes			

<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

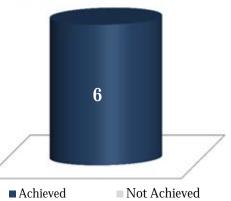
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6 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



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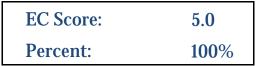
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	6	5	5.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	Yes
3. Fusion center's policies, processes, and mechanisms for receiving, cataloging, and retaining information (provided to the center) comply with 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
4. Fusion center trains all personnel who access criminal intelligence systems in 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
5. Fusion center has identified a Privacy/CRCL Officer for the center	Yes
6. Fusion center has a privacy policy outreach plan	Yes

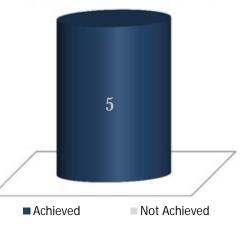
EC 2: Sustainment

Definition: The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

To ensure the long term growth and maturation of the National Network of Fusion Centers, fusion centers must develop and execute strategies aimed at ensuring their long-term sustainment and reflecting the return on the investment of resources. By implementing strategies, fusion centers can more efficiently and effectively apply resources to achieve and maintain critical and enabling capabilities and perform core missions. **EC 2 has 5 attributes, each worth 1 point. The NVRIC has achieved 5 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

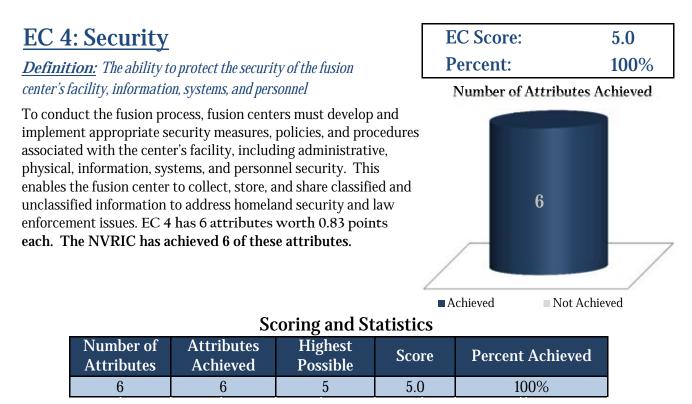
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	5	5	5.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	Yes
2. Fusion center conducts an annual financial audit	Yes
3. Fusion center completes annual operational cost assessment	Yes
4. Fusion center conducts an exercise at least once a year	Yes
5. Fusion center measures its performance and determines the effectiveness of its operations relative to expectations it or its governing entity have defined	Yes

EC 3: Communications and **EC Score**: 3.3 **Outreach Percent:** 66.7% **Definition:** The ability to develop and execute a communications and Number of Attributes Achieved outreach plan By establishing and enhancing collaborative relationships with fusion center stakeholders, fusion centers can expand their 1 customer base and enhance information flow with these partners. Successful communications and outreach activities enable fusion centers to engage law enforcement, as well as multidisciplinary partners in the fusion process. The 3 attributes of EC 3 are 2 worth 1.67 points. The NVRIC has achieved 2 of these attributes. Achieved Not Achieved **Scoring and Statistics**

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
3	2	5	3.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	No
2. Fusion center has an approved communication plan	Yes
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Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved security plan that addresses personnel, physical and information security	Yes
2. Fusion center trains all personnel on the fusion center's security plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has a designated Security Liaison	Yes
4. Fusion center's Security Liaison (or other organization's Security Liaison) completes annual training	Yes
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- 1. <u>Policies and Processes:</u> By having documented policies and processes, a fusion center has the ability to focus organizational resources on the consistent, standardized, and effective execution of the capability.
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- 3. <u>Technology</u>: By having access to relevant technology, the fusion center has the ability to execute the capability in a timely, efficient, and cost effective manner.
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New York State Intelligence Center

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Scope and Methodology

The scope of the 2011 Assessment is the progress made by the National Network in achieving the COCs and ECs from October 1, 2010 to August 1, 2011. Individual Fusion Center Reports detail the result of each fusion center independently, providing Fusion Center Directors information necessary to develop Homeland Security Grant Program Investment Justifications, guide resource allocation in general, and improve center operations.

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This report reflects fusion center scores for each COC and EC, as well as an overall score. The highest possible score a fusion center can receive is 100 points. As seen in the graphic below, the overall score is computed by adding all COC and EC scores. All four ECs equal the weight of one COC.



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New York State Intelligence Center (NYSIC)

Overall Score:88.8National
Network Average:76.8

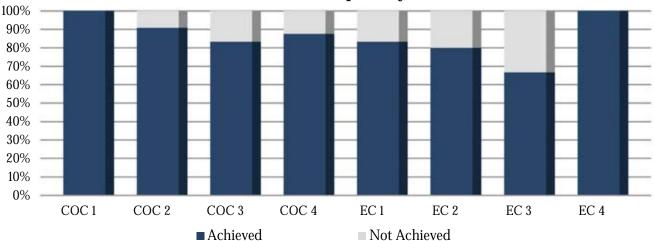
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: N/A Year Fusion Center Established: 2003

	Total	Fus	ion Center	National 1	<u>Network</u>	
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	5	20.0	100%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	10	18.2	90.9%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	5	16.7	83.3%	13.1	65.7%
COC 4: Gather	8	7	17.5	87.5%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	5	4.2	83.3%	4.1	82.2%
EC 2: Sustainment	5	4	4.0	80.0%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	2	3.3	66.7%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	6	5.0	100%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

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COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC 1 is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The NYSIC has achieved 5 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	5	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	Yes
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

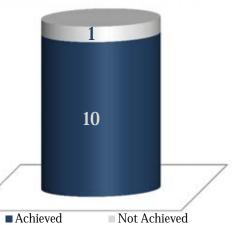
COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The **NYSIC has achieved 10 of these attributes**.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	10	20	18.2	90.9%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	Yes
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	No

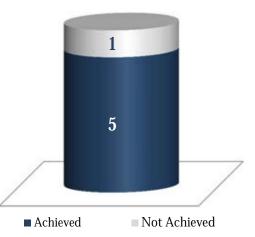
COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The NYSIC has achieved 5 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	5	20	16.7	83.3%

Attributes	Capability		
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes		
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes		
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	Yes		
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	Yes		
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes		
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No		

COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The NYSIC has achieved 7 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	7	20	17.5	87.5%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes			
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes			
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes			
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes			
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	Yes			
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	No			
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	Yes			
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes			

<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

<u>Definition</u>: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans

For fusion centers to successfully engage in information sharing, they must share information in a manner that protects the rights of citizens. Fusion centers implement privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. **EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each**. **The NYSIC has achieved**

5 of these attributes.

EC Score:	4.2
Percent:	83.3 %

Number of Attributes Achieved

Achieved Not Achieved

Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	5	5	4.2	83.3%

Attributes	Capability
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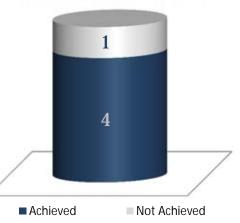
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Number of Attributes Achieved



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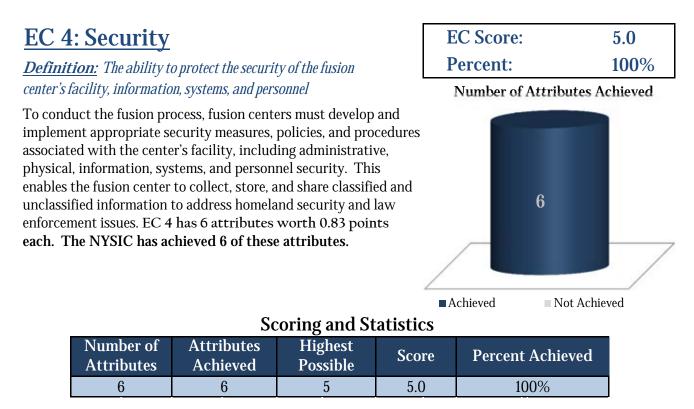
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	5	4.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	Yes
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Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
3	2	5	3.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	Yes
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Orange County Intelligence Assessment Center (OCIAC)

Overall Score:75.8National
Network Average:76.8

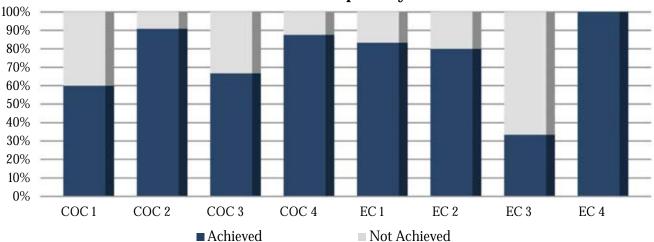
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Recognized Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, all hazards, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: 20 full time, 1 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2007

	Total	<u>Fus</u>	ion Center		<u>National</u>	<u>Network</u>
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	3	12.0	60.0%	17.1	85.6%
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Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number Attribut	-	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5		3	20	12.0	60.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	No
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
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Number of Attributes Achieved



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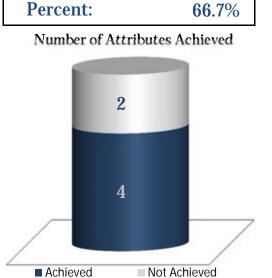
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	10	20	18.2	90.9%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	No
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conduct a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	Yes
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The OCIAC has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



13.3

COC Score:

Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	4	20	13.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	Yes
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	No
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No

COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The OCIAC has achieved 7 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	7	20	17.5	87.5%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	No
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	Yes
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	Yes
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<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

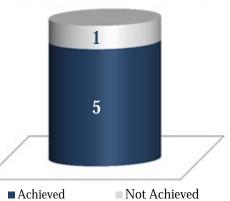
<u>Definition</u>: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans

For fusion centers to successfully engage in information sharing, they must share information in a manner that protects the rights of citizens. Fusion centers implement privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. **EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each**. **The OCIAC has achieved**

5 of these attributes.

EC Score:	4.2
Percent:	83.3%

Number of Attributes Achieved



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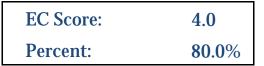
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
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Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	Yes
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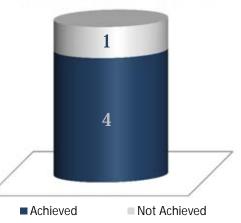
EC 2: Sustainment

Definition: The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

To ensure the long term growth and maturation of the National Network of Fusion Centers, fusion centers must develop and execute strategies aimed at ensuring their long-term sustainment and reflecting the return on the investment of resources. By implementing strategies, fusion centers can more efficiently and effectively apply resources to achieve and maintain critical and enabling capabilities and perform core missions. EC 2 has 5 attributes, each worth 1 point. The OCIAC has achieved 4 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



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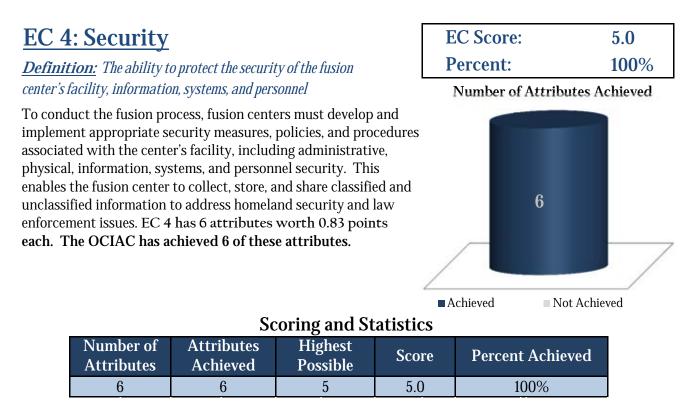
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	5	4.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	No
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EC Score: EC 3: Communications and 1.7 **Outreach Percent:** 33.3% **Definition:** The ability to develop and execute a communications and Number of Attributes Achieved outreach plan By establishing and enhancing collaborative relationships with fusion center stakeholders, fusion centers can expand their customer base and enhance information flow with these partners. 2 Successful communications and outreach activities enable fusion centers to engage law enforcement, as well as multidisciplinary partners in the fusion process. The 3 attributes of EC 3 are worth 1.67 points. The OCIAC has achieved 1 of these attributes. 1 Achieved Not Achieved **Scoring and Statistics**

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
3	1	5	1.7	33.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	Yes
2. Fusion center has an approved communication plan	No
3. Fusion center has a process for capturing success stories	No



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4. Fusion center's Security Liaison (or other organization's Security Liaison) completes annual training	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to the Central Verification System (CVS)	Yes
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Oklahoma Information Fusion Center

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Oklahoma Information Fusion Center (OIFC)

Overall Score: 72.2

76.8

National Networ<u>k Average:</u>

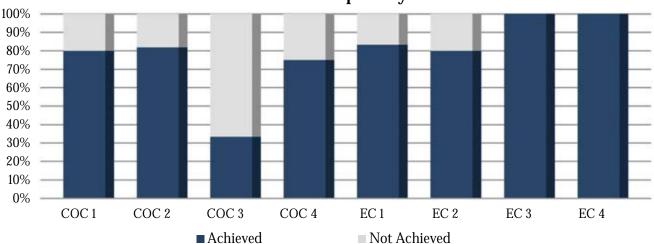
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: 12 full time, 11 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2007

	Total	<u>Fus</u>	ion Center	National 1	<u>Network</u>	
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	4	16.0	80.0%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	9	16.4	81.8%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	2	6.7	33.3%	13.1	65.7%
COC 4: Gather	8	6	15.0	75.0%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	5	4.2	83.3%	4.1	82.2%
EC 2: Sustainment	5	4	4.0	80.0%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	3	5.0	100%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	6	5.0	100%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC I is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The OIFC has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	20	16.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	No
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	Yes
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

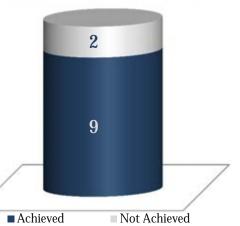
COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The **OIFC has achieved 9 of these attributes**.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	9	20	16.4	81.8%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	No
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	No
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	Yes
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

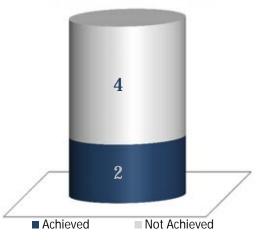
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	2	20	6.7	33.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	No
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Number of Attributes Achieved



ved	Not Achieved

Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	6	20	15.0	75.0%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes			
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes			
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EC Score:	4.2
Percent:	83.3 %

Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	5	5	4.2	83.3%

Attributes	Capability
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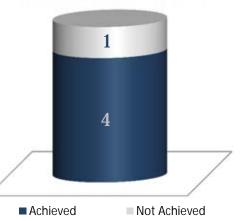
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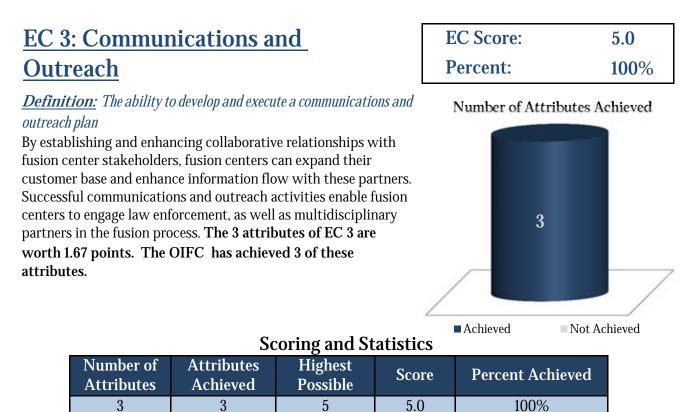
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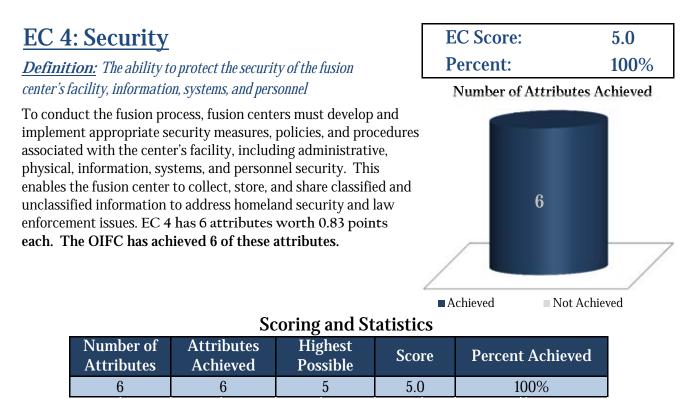
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Pacific Regional Information Clearinghouse (Pac Clear)

Overall Score:73.7National
Network Average:76.8

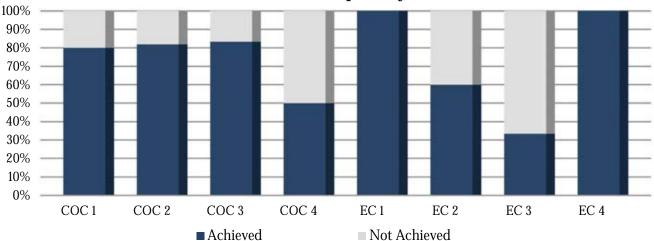
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, all hazards, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: N/A Year Fusion Center Established: 2008

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Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

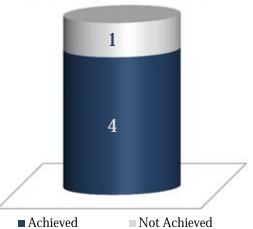
COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC I is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The Pac Clear has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	20	16.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	No
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	Yes
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

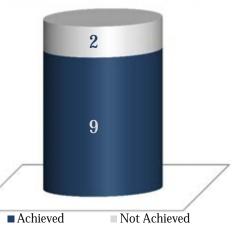
COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The **Pac Clear has achieved 9 of these attributes**.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	9	20	16.4	81.8%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	No
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	No
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

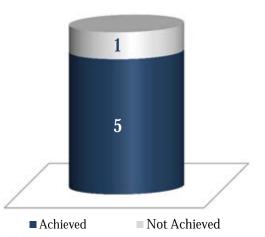
COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The Pac Clear has achieved 5 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	5	20	16.7	83.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	No
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	Yes
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	Yes
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	Yes

COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The Pac Clear has achieved 4 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



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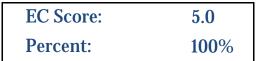
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	4	20	10.0	50.0%

Attributes	Capability				
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	No				
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	No				
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes				
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes				
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	No				
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	Yes				
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	No				
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes				

<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

<u>Definition</u>: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans

For fusion centers to successfully engage in information sharing, they must share information in a manner that protects the rights of citizens. Fusion centers implement privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. **EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each**. **The Pac Clear has achieved 6 of these attributes**.



Number of Attributes Achieved



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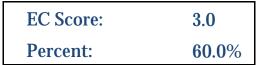
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	6	5	5.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	Yes
3. Fusion center's policies, processes, and mechanisms for receiving, cataloging, and retaining information (provided to the center) comply with 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
4. Fusion center trains all personnel who access criminal intelligence systems in 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
5. Fusion center has identified a Privacy/CRCL Officer for the center	Yes
6. Fusion center has a privacy policy outreach plan	Yes

EC 2: Sustainment

Definition: The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

To ensure the long term growth and maturation of the National Network of Fusion Centers, fusion centers must develop and execute strategies aimed at ensuring their long-term sustainment and reflecting the return on the investment of resources. By implementing strategies, fusion centers can more efficiently and effectively apply resources to achieve and maintain critical and enabling capabilities and perform core missions. **EC 2 has 5 attributes, each worth 1 point. The Pac Clear has achieved 3 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



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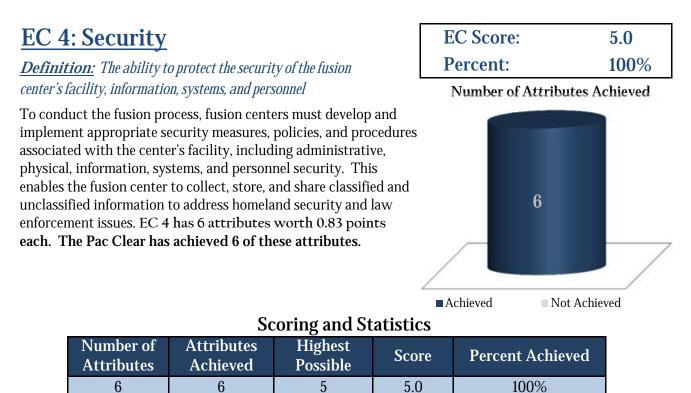
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5	3	5	3.0	60.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	No
2. Fusion center conducts an annual financial audit	Yes
3. Fusion center completes annual operational cost assessment	No
4. Fusion center conducts an exercise at least once a year	Yes
5. Fusion center measures its performance and determines the effectiveness of its operations relative to expectations it or its governing entity have defined	Yes

EC Score: EC 3: Communications and 1.7 **Outreach Percent:** 33.3% **Definition:** The ability to develop and execute a communications and Number of Attributes Achieved outreach plan By establishing and enhancing collaborative relationships with fusion center stakeholders, fusion centers can expand their customer base and enhance information flow with these partners. 2 Successful communications and outreach activities enable fusion centers to engage law enforcement, as well as multidisciplinary partners in the fusion process. The 3 attributes of EC 3 are worth 1.67 points. The Pac Clear has achieved 1 of these attributes. 1 Achieved Not Achieved Scoring and Statistics

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Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved			
3	1	5	1.7	33.3%			

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	No
2. Fusion center has an approved communication plan	No
3. Fusion center has a process for capturing success stories	Yes



Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved security plan that addresses personnel, physical and information security	Yes
2. Fusion center trains all personnel on the fusion center's security plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has a designated Security Liaison	Yes
4. Fusion center's Security Liaison (or other organization's Security Liaison) completes annual training	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to the Central Verification System (CVS)	Yes
6. Fusion center's Security Liaison (or other organization's Security Liaison) is trained on how to use CVS	Yes

Appendix 1. Strengthening Fusion Center Capabilities through Gap Mitigation

Federal, state, and local fusion center stakeholders share a common goal of supporting a nationwide capacity for receiving, analyzing, disseminating and gathering threat information. The purpose of gap mitigation is to assist fusion centers in fully achieving and maintaining their capacity to execute the COCs, the ECs, and additional priority areas. Building these capabilities requires support across four key components:

- 1. <u>Policies and Processes:</u> By having documented policies and processes, a fusion center has the ability to focus organizational resources on the consistent, standardized, and effective execution of the capability.
- 2. <u>**People:**</u> By having people with the appropriate training, skills, and knowledge, the fusion center has the expertise to execute the capability.
- 3. <u>Technology</u>: By having access to relevant technology, the fusion center has the ability to execute the capability in a timely, efficient, and cost effective manner.
- 4. <u>**Partners:**</u> By working with partners, the fusion center has the ability to execute and deliver the capability to meet evolving customer needs and requirements.

In 2012, the Federal Government will continue to focus its support for fusion centers through the delivery and deployment of gap mitigation resources. These gap mitigation resources provide fusion centers with the knowledge, skills, and tools necessary to enable the effective execution of the fusion process.

Informed by the results of the 2011 Fusion Center Assessment (2011 Assessment), both in terms of fusion centers' capabilities and of the effectiveness of federal support, the Federal Government identified those resources that can most effectively support fusion centers with mitigating identified capability gaps. As part of this process, the Federal Government identified over 40 new or existing activities to support gap mitigation efforts in 2012. These activities are aligned to the four COCs, the four ECs, and an additional priority area of Governance.

The full menu of 2012 gap mitigation activities will be shared with Fusion Center Directors and also included in the 2011 Fusion Center Assessment Final Report. By leveraging the resources identified in this document, the National Network of Fusion Centers can enhance their capabilities in a manner that not only increases the efficacy and efficiency of individual fusion centers but also supports the maturation of an integrated National Network.

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Pennsylvania Criminal Intelligence Center

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Introduction

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), in coordination with its interagency partnersⁱ and the National Network of Fusion Centers (National Network), conducted the 2011 Fusion Center Assessment (2011 Assessment) to demonstrate the value of the National Network in protecting and securing the homeland. Fusion centers are analytic hubs responsible for applying a local context to the national threat picture to support prevention and protection activities at the federal, state and local levels. This assessment is a critical element of a broader Fusion Center Performance Program that will measure the capability and performance of the National Network. The 2011 Assessment measures the maturity of fusion center capabilities, which will allow state and local leaders to identify areas to strengthen capabilities and to support investment requests. Assessment data will also allow the Federal Government to better target support to help fusion centers mitigate capability gaps and maintain those capabilities already in place.

In order to assess the capabilities of the National Network, the 2011 Assessment determined the progress of fusion center's achievement of the Critical Operational Capabilities (COCs) (Receive, Analyze, Disseminate, and Gather), which reflect the operational priorities of the National Network, and Enabling Capabilities (ECs) (Privacy/Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, Sustainment, Communications and Outreach, and Security), which strengthens the fusion process.

Scope and Methodology

The scope of the 2011 Assessment is the progress made by the National Network in achieving the COCs and ECs from October 1, 2010 to August 1, 2011. Individual Fusion Center Reports detail the result of each fusion center independently, providing Fusion Center Directors information necessary to develop Homeland Security Grant Program Investment Justifications, guide resource allocation in general, and improve center operations.

In order to determine the progress made in implementing the COCs and ECs, Fusion Center Directors responded to an online questionnaire. DHS and its federal partners validated this data by conducting thorough reviews of the submissions to ensure consistency of data and minimize data discrepancies. Following these reviews, DHS conducted structured interviews with Fusion Center Directors to address identified issues. DHS analyzed this validated assessment data to evaluate fusion center progress towards achievement of the COCs and ECs.

This report reflects fusion center scores for each COC and EC, as well as an overall score. The highest possible score a fusion center can receive is 100 points. As seen in the graphic below, the overall score is computed by adding all COC and EC scores. All four ECs equal the weight of one COC.



¹ Interagency partner participation included members of the Fusion Center Subcommittee of the Information Sharing and Access Interagency Policy Committee: Department of Defense, Department of Justice(DOJ), Nationwide Suspicious Activity Reporting Initiative Program Management Office, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Office of National Drug Control Policy, Program Manager for the Information Sharing Environment, and the DOJ Global Justice Information Sharing Initiative's Criminal Intelligence Coordinating Council which serves in an advisory role to the Subcommittee.

Pennsylvania Criminal Intelligence Center (PaCIC)

Overall Score: 72.0 National 76.8

Network Average:

Demographic Information

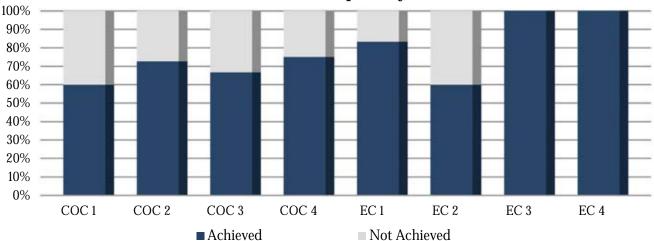
RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, counterterrorism

Staffing Levels: 47 full time, 2 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2003

	Total	<u>Fus</u>	ion Center		National 1	<u>Network</u>
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	3	12.0	60.0%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	8	14.5	72.7%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	4	13.3	66.7%	13.1	65.7%
COC 4: Gather	8	6	15.0	75.0%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	5	4.2	83.3%	4.1	82.2%
EC 2: Sustainment	5	3	3.0	60.0%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	3	5.0	100%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	6	5.0	100%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number Attribut	-	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5		3	20	12.0	60.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	No
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	No
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
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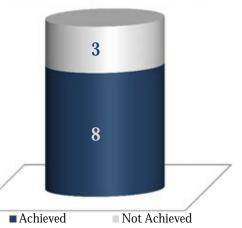
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	8	20	14.5	72.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	No
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	No
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes		Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	4	20	13.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	Yes
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	No
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Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

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Number of Attributes Achieved



b	Not Achieved

Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	6	20	15.0	75.0%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes			
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes			
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes			
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes			
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	No			
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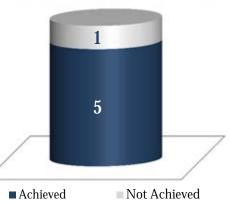
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5 of these attributes.

EC Score:	4.2
Percent:	83.3%

Number of Attributes Achieved



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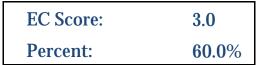
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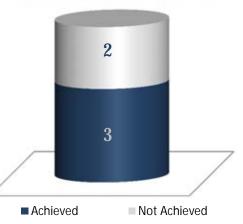
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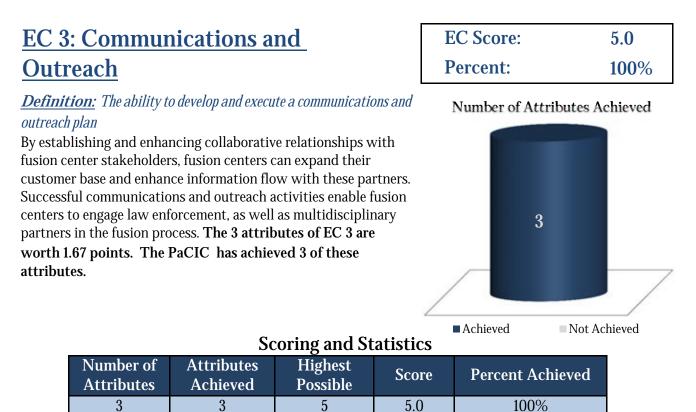
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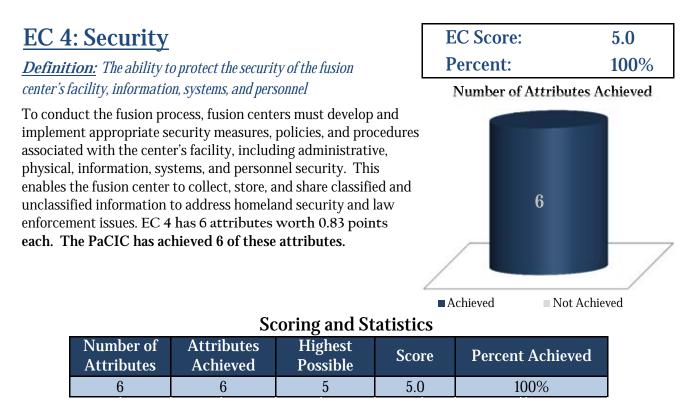
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Introduction

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In order to assess the capabilities of the National Network, the 2011 Assessment determined the progress of fusion center's achievement of the Critical Operational Capabilities (COCs) (Receive, Analyze, Disseminate, and Gather), which reflect the operational priorities of the National Network, and Enabling Capabilities (ECs) (Privacy/Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, Sustainment, Communications and Outreach, and Security), which strengthens the fusion process.

Scope and Methodology

The scope of the 2011 Assessment is the progress made by the National Network in achieving the COCs and ECs from October 1, 2010 to August 1, 2011. Individual Fusion Center Reports detail the result of each fusion center independently, providing Fusion Center Directors information necessary to develop Homeland Security Grant Program Investment Justifications, guide resource allocation in general, and improve center operations.

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This report reflects fusion center scores for each COC and EC, as well as an overall score. The highest possible score a fusion center can receive is 100 points. As seen in the graphic below, the overall score is computed by adding all COC and EC scores. All four ECs equal the weight of one COC.



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Southwest Pennsylvania Region 13 Taskforce (Region 13)

Overall Score:75.7National
Network Average:76.8

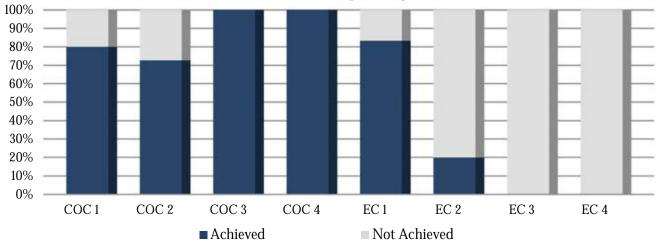
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Recognized Fusion Center Mission: All Hazards Staffing Levels: N/A Year Fusion Center Established: 2006

	Total	Total <u>Fusion Center</u>				<u>Network</u>
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	4	16.0	80.0%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	8	14.5	72.7%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	6	20.0	100%	13.1	65.7%
COC 4: Gather	8	8	20.0	100%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	5	4.2	83.3%	4.1	82.2%
EC 2: Sustainment	5	1	1.0	20.0%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	0	0.0	0.0%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	0	0.0	0.0%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

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COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC 1 is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The Region 13 has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



Not Achieved

Achieved

Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	20	16.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	Yes
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	No
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

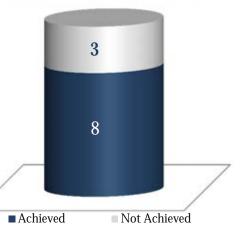
COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The **Region 13 has achieved 8 of these attributes**.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	8	20	14.5	72.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	No
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	No
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	No

COC 3: Disseminate COC Score: 20.0 **Definition:** The ability to further disseminate threat **Percent:** 100% information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities Number of Attributes Achieved within their jurisdictions Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their 6 environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The

Region 13 has achieved 6 of these attributes.



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	6	20	20.0	100%

Achievement of the Attributes for COC 3

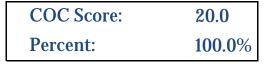
Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	Yes
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	Yes
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	Yes

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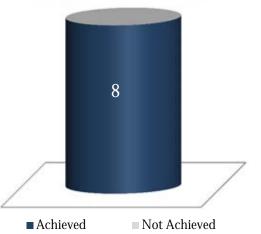
COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The Region 13 has achieved 8 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	8	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability		
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes		
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes		
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes		
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes		
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	Yes		
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	Yes		
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	Yes		
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes		

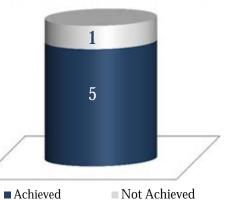
<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

<u>**Definition:**</u> The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans



Number of Attributes Achieved

For fusion centers to successfully engage in information sharing, they must share information in a manner that protects the rights of citizens. Fusion centers implement privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. **EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each**. **The Region 13 has 5 of these attributes**.



Scoring and Statistics

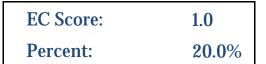
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	5	5	4.2	83.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	Yes
3. Fusion center's policies, processes, and mechanisms for receiving, cataloging, and retaining information (provided to the center) comply with 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
4. Fusion center trains all personnel who access criminal intelligence systems in 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
5. Fusion center has identified a Privacy/CRCL Officer for the center	Yes
6. Fusion center has a privacy policy outreach plan	No

EC 2: Sustainment

Definition: The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

To ensure the long term growth and maturation of the National Network of Fusion Centers, fusion centers must develop and execute strategies aimed at ensuring their long-term sustainment and reflecting the return on the investment of resources. By implementing strategies, fusion centers can more efficiently and effectively apply resources to achieve and maintain critical and enabling capabilities and perform core missions. **EC 2 has 5 attributes, each worth 1 point. The Region 13 has achieved 1 of these attributes.**



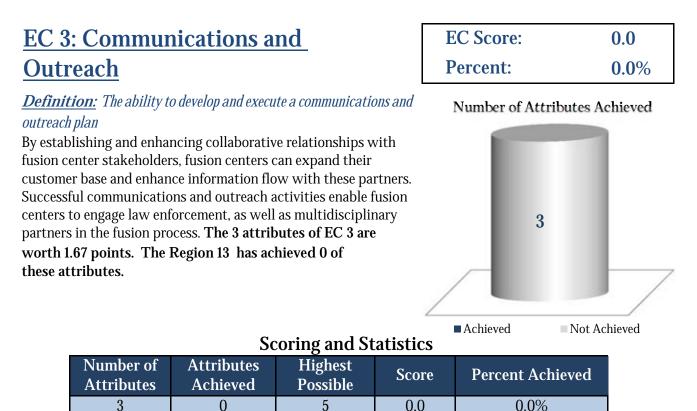
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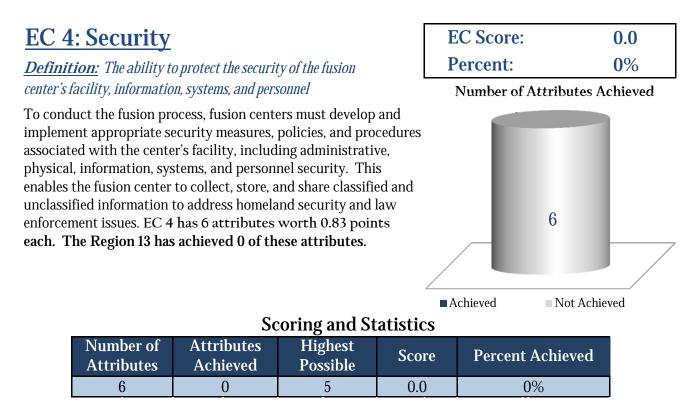
Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	1	5	1.0	20.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	No
2. Fusion center conducts an annual financial audit	No
3. Fusion center completes annual operational cost assessment	No
4. Fusion center conducts an exercise at least once a year	No
5. Fusion center measures its performance and determines the effectiveness of its operations relative to expectations it or its governing entity have defined	Yes



Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	No
2. Fusion center has an approved communication plan	No
3. Fusion center has a process for capturing success stories	No



Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved security plan that addresses personnel, physical and information security	No
2. Fusion center trains all personnel on the fusion center's security plan	No
3. Fusion center has a designated Security Liaison	No
4. Fusion center's Security Liaison (or other organization's Security Liaison) completes annual training	No
5. Fusion center has access to the Central Verification System (CVS)	No
6. Fusion center's Security Liaison (or other organization's Security Liaison) is trained on how to use CVS	No

Appendix I. Strengthening Fusion Center Capabilities through Gap Mitigation

Federal, state, and local fusion center stakeholders share a common goal of supporting a nationwide capacity for receiving, analyzing, disseminating and gathering threat information. The purpose of gap mitigation is to assist fusion centers in fully achieving and maintaining their capacity to execute the COCs, the ECs, and additional priority areas. Building these capabilities requires support across four key components:

- 1. <u>Policies and Processes:</u> By having documented policies and processes, a fusion center has the ability to focus organizational resources on the consistent, standardized, and effective execution of the capability.
- 2. <u>**People:**</u> By having people with the appropriate training, skills, and knowledge, the fusion center has the expertise to execute the capability.
- 3. <u>Technology</u>: By having access to relevant technology, the fusion center has the ability to execute the capability in a timely, efficient, and cost effective manner.
- 4. <u>**Partners:**</u> By working with partners, the fusion center has the ability to execute and deliver the capability to meet evolving customer needs and requirements.

In 2012, the Federal Government will continue to focus its support for fusion centers through the delivery and deployment of gap mitigation resources. These gap mitigation resources provide fusion centers with the knowledge, skills, and tools necessary to enable the effective execution of the fusion process.

Informed by the results of the 2011 Fusion Center Assessment (2011 Assessment), both in terms of fusion centers' capabilities and of the effectiveness of federal support, the Federal Government identified those resources that can most effectively support fusion centers with mitigating identified capability gaps. As part of this process, the Federal Government identified over 40 new or existing activities to support gap mitigation efforts in 2012. These activities are aligned to the four COCs, the four ECs, and an additional priority area of Governance.

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2011 Fusion Center Assessment Individual Report

Rhode Island State Fusion Center

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Rhode Island State Fusion Center (RISFC)

Overall Score:72.0

76.8

National Network Average:

Demographic Information

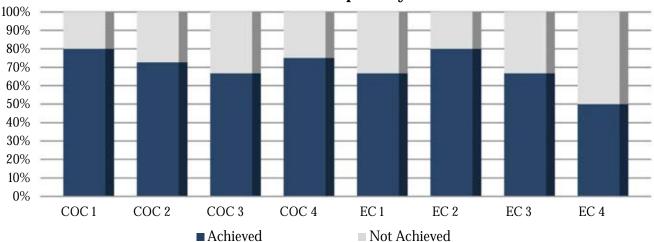
RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes

Staffing Levels: 9 full time, 0 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2005

	Total	<u>Fus</u>	ion Center	National 1	<u>Network</u>	
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Achievement of Capability Attributes

COC 1: Receive

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	20	16.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	No
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
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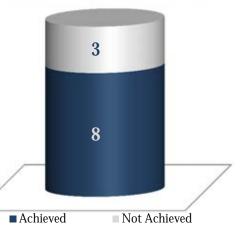
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Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The **RISFC has achieved 8 of these attributes**.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	8	20	14.5	72.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	No
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	No
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	No
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The RISFC has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	4	20	13.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	No
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	Yes
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	No
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	Yes

COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The RISFC has achieved 6 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



ved Not Achieve

Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	6	20	15.0	75.0%

Attributes	Capability	
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes	
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes	
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes	
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes	
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	No	
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	No	
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	Yes	
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes	

<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

<u>Definition</u>: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans

For fusion centers to successfully engage in information sharing, they must share information in a manner that protects the rights of citizens. Fusion centers implement privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. **EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The RISFC has achieved**

4 of these attributes.

EC Score:	3.3
Percent:	66.7%

Number of Attributes Achieved

Achieved Not Achieved

Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	4	5	3.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	No
3. Fusion center's policies, processes, and mechanisms for receiving, cataloging, and retaining information (provided to the center) comply with 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
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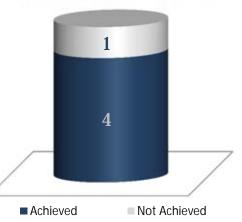
EC 2: Sustainment

Definition: The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

To ensure the long term growth and maturation of the National Network of Fusion Centers, fusion centers must develop and execute strategies aimed at ensuring their long-term sustainment and reflecting the return on the investment of resources. By implementing strategies, fusion centers can more efficiently and effectively apply resources to achieve and maintain critical and enabling capabilities and perform core missions. **EC 2 has 5 attributes, each worth 1 point. The RISFC has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

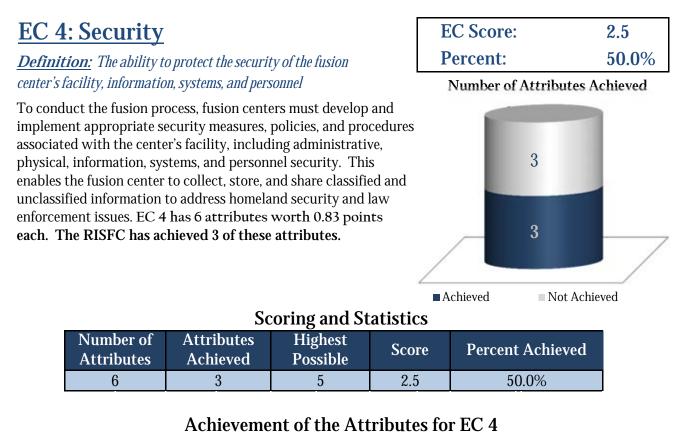
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	5	4.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	No
2. Fusion center conducts an annual financial audit	Yes
3. Fusion center completes annual operational cost assessment	Yes
4. Fusion center conducts an exercise at least once a year	Yes
5. Fusion center measures its performance and determines the effectiveness of its operations relative to expectations it or its governing entity have defined	Yes

EC 3: Communications and **EC Score**: 3.3 **Outreach Percent:** 66.7% **Definition:** The ability to develop and execute a communications and Number of Attributes Achieved outreach plan By establishing and enhancing collaborative relationships with fusion center stakeholders, fusion centers can expand their 1 customer base and enhance information flow with these partners. Successful communications and outreach activities enable fusion centers to engage law enforcement, as well as multidisciplinary partners in the fusion process. The 3 attributes of EC 3 are 2 worth 1.67 points. The RISFC has achieved 2 of these attributes. Achieved Not Achieved **Scoring and Statistics**

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
3	2	5	3.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	No
2. Fusion center has an approved communication plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has a process for capturing success stories	Yes



Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved security plan that addresses personnel, physical and information security	Yes
2. Fusion center trains all personnel on the fusion center's security plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has a designated Security Liaison	Yes
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This report reflects fusion center scores for each COC and EC, as well as an overall score. The highest possible score a fusion center can receive is 100 points. As seen in the graphic below, the overall score is computed by adding all COC and EC scores. All four ECs equal the weight of one COC.



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Strategic Analysis and Information Center (SAIC)

Overall Score:93.2National
Network Average:76.8

Demographic Information

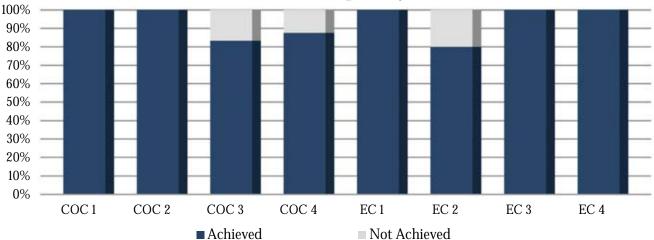
RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: Counterterrorism

Staffing Levels: N/A Year Fusion Center Established: 2005

	Total	<u>Fus</u>	ion Center	National 1	<u>Network</u>	
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	5	20.0	100%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	11	20.0	100%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	5	16.7	83.3%	1' '%	65"+%
COC 4: Gather	8	7	17.5	87.5%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	6	5.0	100%	4.1	82.2%
EC 2: Sustainment	5	4	4.0	80.0%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	3	5.0	100%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	6	5.0	100%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC I is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The SAIC has achieved 5 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	5	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	Yes
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

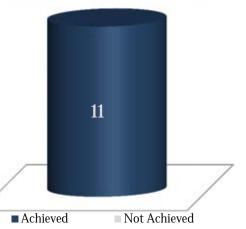
COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The SAIC has achieved 11 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	11	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conductgthreat assessments within its AOR	Mes
7. Fusion center has contributegto or conductga statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributegto national-level risk assessments	Més
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

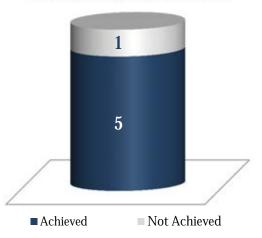
COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The SAIC has achieved 5 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	5	20	16.7	83.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	Yes
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	Yes
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No

COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The SAIC has achieved 7 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	7	20	17.5	87.5%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes			
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes			
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes			
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes			
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	No			
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	Yes			
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	Yes			
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes			

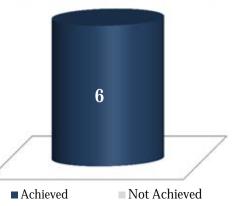
<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

<u>Definition</u>: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans

For fusion centers to successfully engage in information sharing, they must share information in a manner that protects the rights of citizens. Fusion centers implement privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. **EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each**. **The SAIC has achieved 6 of these attributes**.



Number of Attributes Achieved



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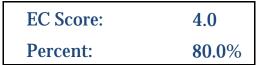
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	6	5	5.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy Ubbi U`m	Yes
3. Fusion center's policies, processes, and mechanisms for receiving, cataloging, and retaining information (provided to the center) comply with 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
4. Fusion center trains all personnel who access criminal intelligence systems in 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
5. Fusion center has identified a Privacy/CRCL Officer for the center	Yes
6. Fusion center has a privacy policy outreach plan	Yes

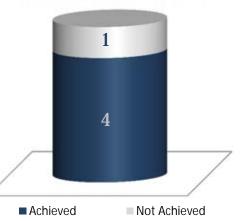
EC 2: Sustainment

Definition: The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

To ensure the long term growth and maturation of the National Network of Fusion Centers, fusion centers must develop and execute strategies aimed at ensuring their long-term sustainment and reflecting the return on the investment of resources. By implementing strategies, fusion centers can more efficiently and effectively apply resources to achieve and maintain critical and enabling capabilities and perform core missions. **EC 2 has 5 attributes, each worth 1 point. The SAIC has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



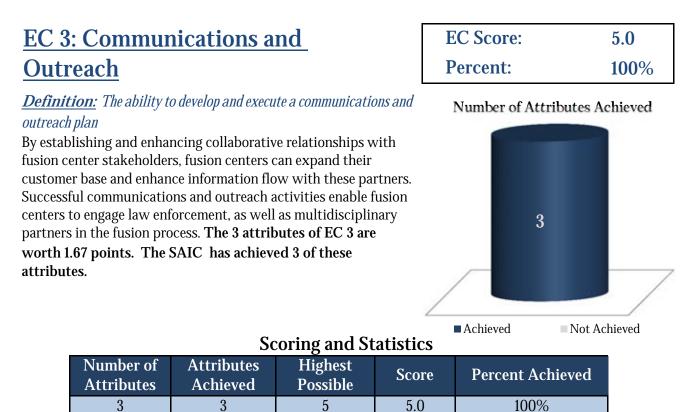
Number of Attributes Achieved



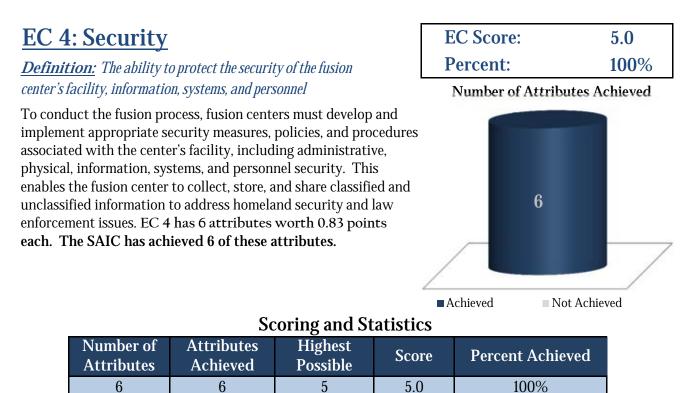
Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	5	4.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	Yes
2. Fusion center conducts an annual financial audit	No
3. Fusion center completes annual operational cost assessment	Yes
4. Fusion center conducts an exercise at least once a year	Yes
5. Fusion center measures its performance and determines the effectiveness of its operations relative to expectations it or its governing entity have defined	Yes



Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	Yes
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South Carolina Information and Intelligence Center (SCIIC)

Overall Score:72.0National
Network Average:76.8

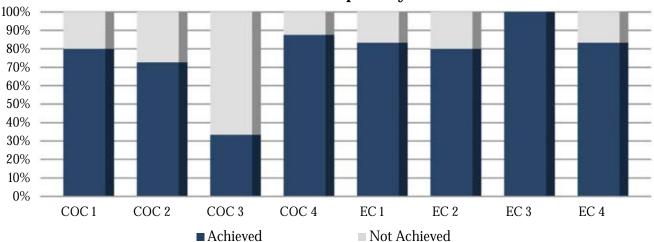
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, all hazards, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: 62 full time, 17 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2004

	Total <u>Fusion Center</u>				National 1	<u>Network</u>
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
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Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

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Achievement of Capability Attributes

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	20	16.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	No
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

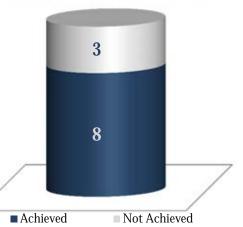
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	8	20	14.5	72.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	No
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	No
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	No

COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The SCIIC has achieved 2 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	2	20	6.7	33.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	No
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	No
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	No
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No

COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The SCIIC has achieved 7 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	7	20	17.5	87.5%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes			
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes			
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes			
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes			
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	Yes			
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	Yes			
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	No			
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<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

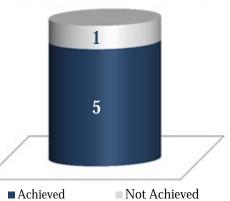
<u>Definition</u>: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans

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5 of these attributes.

EC Score:	4.2
Percent:	83.3%

Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

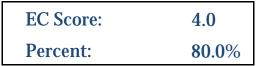
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	5	5	4.2	83.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	Yes
3. Fusion center's policies, processes, and mechanisms for receiving, cataloging, and retaining information (provided to the center) comply with 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
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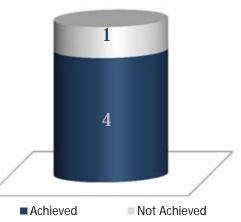
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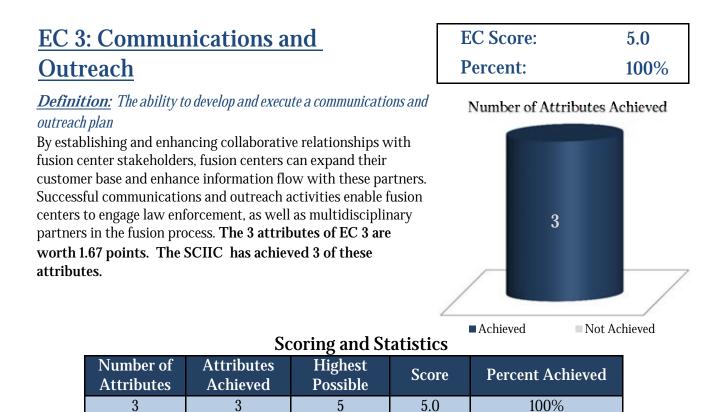
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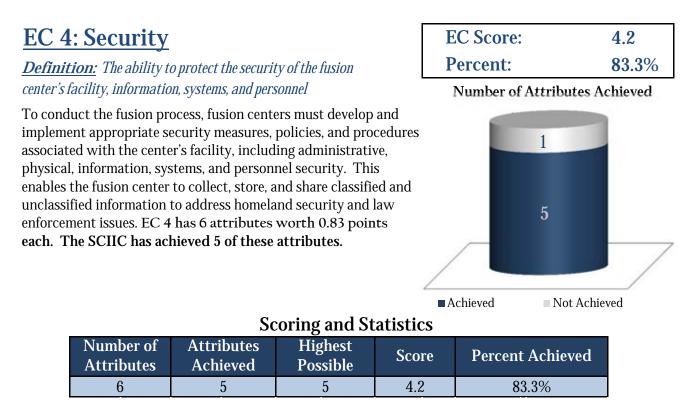
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Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
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Attributes	Capability
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San Diego Law Enforcement Coordination Center (SD LECC)

Overall Score:83.2National
Network Average:76.8

Demographic Information

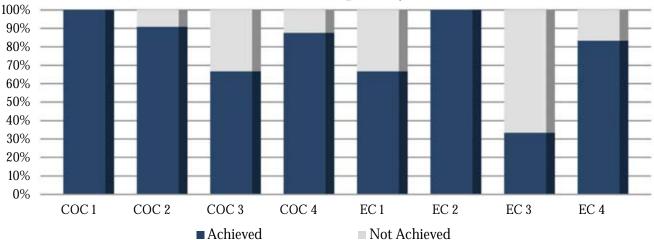
RAC Category: Recognized Fusion Center Mission: All crimes

Staffing Levels: N/A Year Fusion Center Established: 2008

	Total	<u>Fus</u>	ion Center	<u>National Network</u>		
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	5	20.0	100%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	10	18.2	90.9%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	4	13.3	66.7%	13.1	65.7%
COC 4: Gather	8	7	17.5	87.5%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	4	3.3	66.7%	4.1	82.2%
EC 2: Sustainment	5	5	5.0	100%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	1	1.7	33.3%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	5	4.2	83.3%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

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COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	5	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	Yes
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

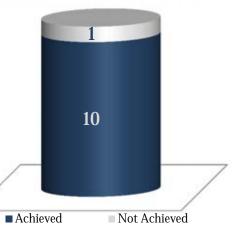
COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The **SD LECC has achieved 10 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

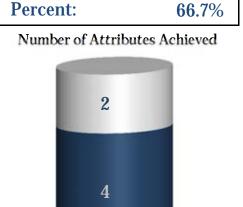
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	10	20	18.2	90.9%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	Yes
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	No

COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The SD LECC has achieved 4 of these attributes.



13.3

COC Score:

Achieved Not Achieved

Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	4	20	13.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	Yes
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	No
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No

COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The SD LECC has achieved 7 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

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8	7	20	17.5	87.5%

Attributes	Capability
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3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes
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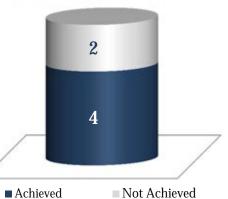
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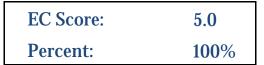
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Attributes	Capability
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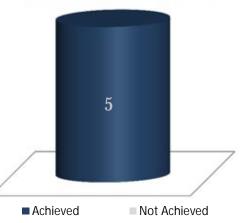
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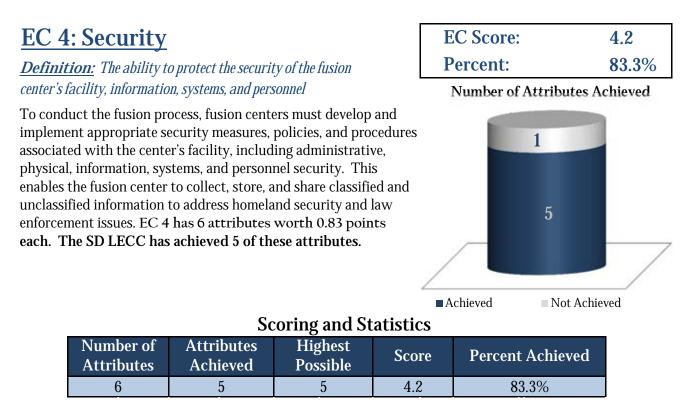
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EC Score: EC 3: Communications and 1.7 **Outreach Percent:** 33.3% **Definition:** The ability to develop and execute a communications and Number of Attributes Achieved outreach plan By establishing and enhancing collaborative relationships with fusion center stakeholders, fusion centers can expand their customer base and enhance information flow with these partners. 2 Successful communications and outreach activities enable fusion centers to engage law enforcement, as well as multidisciplinary partners in the fusion process. The 3 attributes of EC 3 are worth 1.67 points. The SD LECC has achieved 1 of these attributes. 1 Achieved Not Achieved Scoring and Statistics

Scoring and Statistics					
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3	1	5	1.7	33.3%	

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Southeast Florida Fusion Center (SEFFC)

Overall Score: 94.2

76.8

National Network Average:

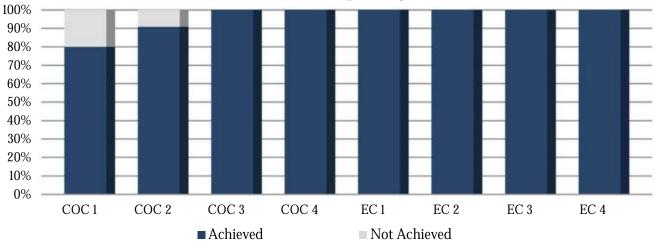
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Recognized Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, all hazards, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: 74 full time, 3 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2005

	Total	<u>Fus</u>	Fusion CenterNation			<u>Network</u>
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

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5	4	20	16.0	80.0%

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4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

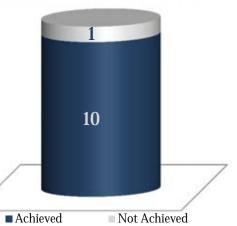
COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The **SEFFC has achieved 10 of these attributes**.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	10	20	18.2	90.9%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	No
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

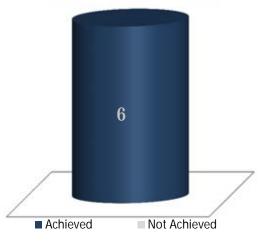
COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The SEFFC has achieved 6 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	6	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	Yes
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	Yes
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	Yes

COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The SEFFC has achieved 8 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	8	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes			
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes			
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes			
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes			
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	Yes			
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	Yes			
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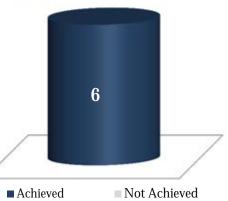
<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

<u>Definition</u>: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans

For fusion centers to successfully engage in information sharing, they must share information in a manner that protects the rights of citizens. Fusion centers implement privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. **EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each**. **The SEFFC has achieved 6 of these attributes**.



Number of Attributes Achieved



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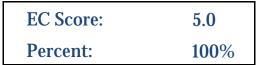
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
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Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
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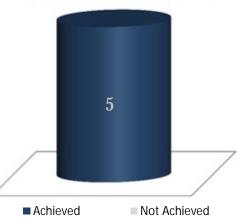
EC 2: Sustainment

Definition: The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

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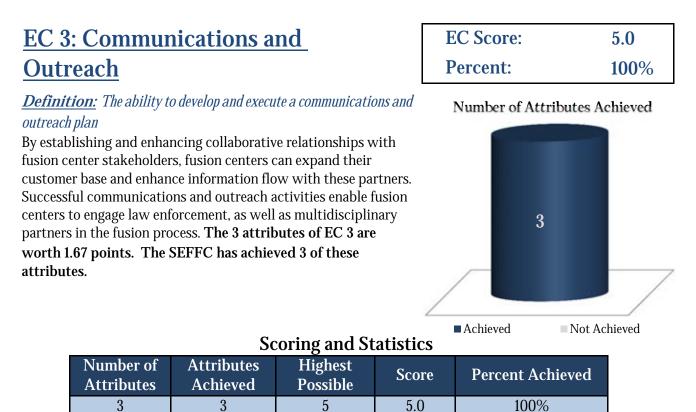
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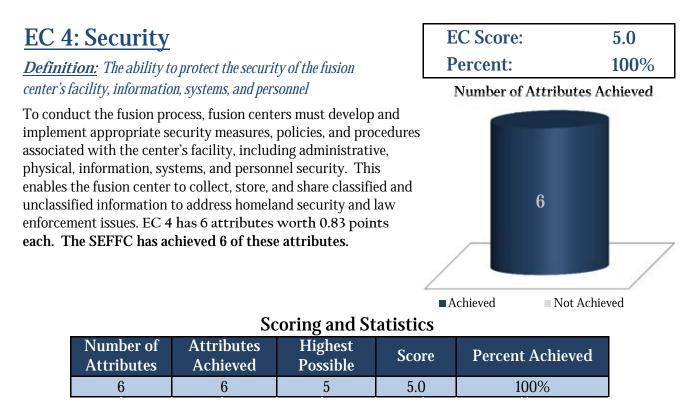
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Introduction

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In order to assess the capabilities of the National Network, the 2011 Assessment determined the progress of fusion center's achievement of the Critical Operational Capabilities (COCs) (Receive, Analyze, Disseminate, and Gather), which reflect the operational priorities of the National Network, and Enabling Capabilities (ECs) (Privacy/Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, Sustainment, Communications and Outreach, and Security), which strengthens the fusion process.

Scope and Methodology

The scope of the 2011 Assessment is the progress made by the National Network in achieving the COCs and ECs from October 1, 2010 to August 1, 2011. Individual Fusion Center Reports detail the result of each fusion center independently, providing Fusion Center Directors information necessary to develop Homeland Security Grant Program Investment Justifications, guide resource allocation in general, and improve center operations.

In order to determine the progress made in implementing the COCs and ECs, Fusion Center Directors responded to an online questionnaire. DHS and its federal partners validated this data by conducting thorough reviews of the submissions to ensure consistency of data and minimize data discrepancies. Following these reviews, DHS conducted structured interviews with Fusion Center Directors to address identified issues. DHS analyzed this validated assessment data to evaluate fusion center progress towards achievement of the COCs and ECs.

This report reflects fusion center scores for each COC and EC, as well as an overall score. The highest possible score a fusion center can receive is 100 points. As seen in the graphic below, the overall score is computed by adding all COC and EC scores. All four ECs equal the weight of one COC.



¹ Interagency partner participation included members of the Fusion Center Subcommittee of the Information Sharing and Access Interagency Policy Committee: Department of Defense, Department of Justice(DOJ), Nationwide Suspicious Activity Reporting Initiative Program Management Office, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Office of National Drug Control Policy, Program Manager for the Information Sharing Environment, and the DOJ Global Justice Information Sharing Initiative's Criminal Intelligence Coordinating Council which serves in an advisory role to the Subcommittee.

Southeastern Wisconsin Threat Analysis Center (SEWTAC)

Overall Score:88.0National
Network Average:76.8

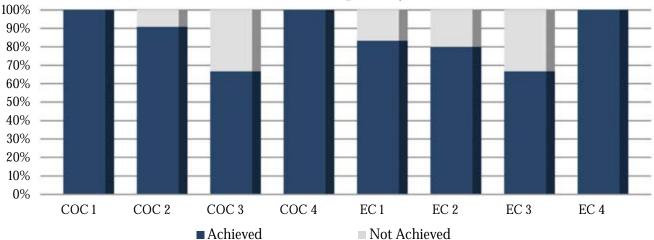
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Recognized Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, all hazards, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: 37 full time, 6 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2006

	Total	<u>Fus</u>	ion Center	National 1	<u>Network</u>	
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	5	20.0	100%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	10	18.2	90.9%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	4	13.3	66.7%	13.1	65.7%
COC 4: Gather	8	8	20.0	100%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	5	4.2	83.3%	4.1	82.2%
EC 2: Sustainment	5	4	4.0	80.0%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	2	3.3	66.7%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	6	5.0	100%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

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COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC I is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The STAC has achieved 5 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	5	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	Yes
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

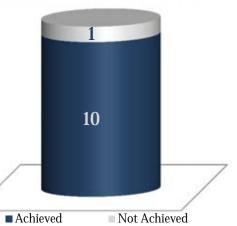
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Number of Attributes Achieved



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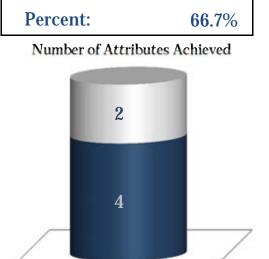
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	10	20	18.2	90.9%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	No
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
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9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
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Not Achieved

13.3

COC Score:

Achieved

Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	4	20	13.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	No
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	Yes
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Number of Attributes Achieved



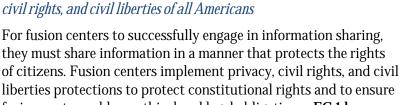
Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	8	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes			
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes			
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes			
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5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	Yes			
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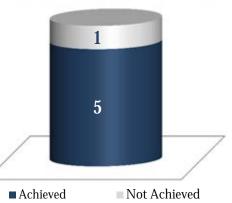
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fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. **EC 1 has** 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The STAC has achieved 5 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



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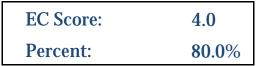
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6	5	5	4.2	83.3%

Attributes	Capability
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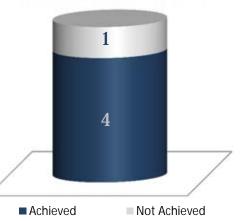
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

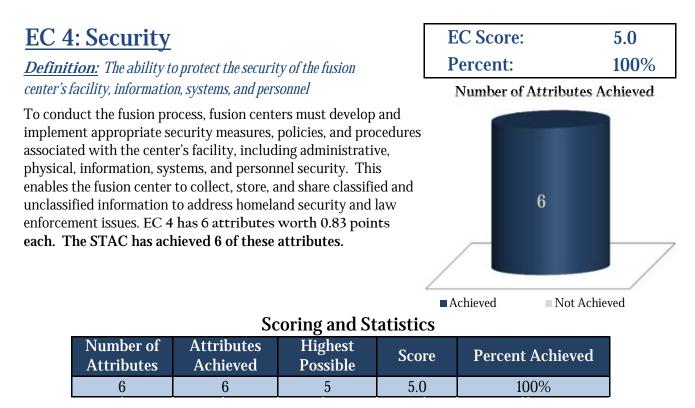
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Attributes	Capability
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EC Score: EC 3: Communications and 3.3 **Outreach Percent:** 66.7% **Definition:** The ability to develop and execute a communications and Number of Attributes Achieved outreach plan By establishing and enhancing collaborative relationships with fusion center stakeholders, fusion centers can expand their 1 customer base and enhance information flow with these partners. Successful communications and outreach activities enable fusion centers to engage law enforcement, as well as multidisciplinary partners in the fusion process. The 3 attributes of EC 3 are 2 worth 1.67 points. The STAC has achieved 2 of these attributes. Achieved Not Achieved **Scoring and Statistics**

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
3	2	5	3.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
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3. Fusion center has a process for capturing success stories	Yes



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In order to assess the capabilities of the National Network, the 2011 Assessment determined the progress of fusion center's achievement of the Critical Operational Capabilities (COCs) (Receive, Analyze, Disseminate, and Gather), which reflect the operational priorities of the National Network, and Enabling Capabilities (ECs) (Privacy/Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, Sustainment, Communications and Outreach, and Security), which strengthens the fusion process.

Scope and Methodology

The scope of the 2011 Assessment is the progress made by the National Network in achieving the COCs and ECs from October 1, 2010 to August 1, 2011. Individual Fusion Center Reports detail the result of each fusion center independently, providing Fusion Center Directors information necessary to develop Homeland Security Grant Program Investment Justifications, guide resource allocation in general, and improve center operations.

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This report reflects fusion center scores for each COC and EC, as well as an overall score. The highest possible score a fusion center can receive is 100 points. As seen in the graphic below, the overall score is computed by adding all COC and EC scores. All four ECs equal the weight of one COC.



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Utah Statewide Information and Analysis Center (SIAC)

Overall Score: 78.7 National 76.8

Network Average:

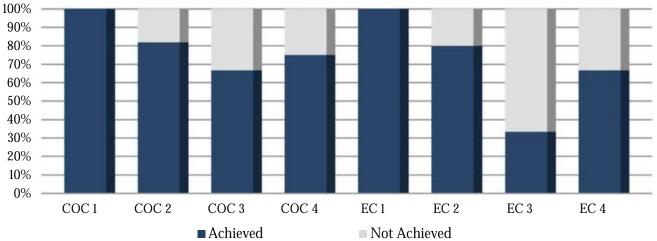
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes Staffing Levels: 12 full time, 4 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2008

	Total	<u>Fus</u>	ion Center		National 1	<u>Network</u>
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	5	20.0	100%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	9	16.4	81.8%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	4	13.3	66.7%	1' '%	65"+%
COC 4: Gather	8	6	15.0	75.0%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	6	5.0	100%	4.1	82.2%
EC 2: Sustainment	5	4	4.0	80.0%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	1	1.7	33.3%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	4	3.3	66.7%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

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COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC I is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The SIAC has achieved 5 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	5	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	Yes
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
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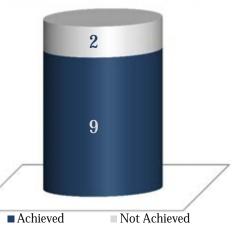
COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The **SIAC has achieved 9 of these attributes**.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	9	20	16.4	81.8%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	No
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	No
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The SIAC has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	4	20	13.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	No
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	Yes
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No

COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The SIAC has achieved 6 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	6	20	15.0	75.0%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes			
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes			
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes			
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	No			
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	No			
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	Yes			
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	Yes			
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes			

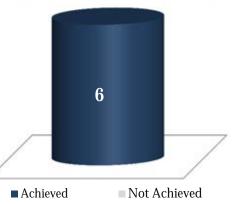
<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

<u>Definition</u>: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans

For fusion centers to successfully engage in information sharing, they must share information in a manner that protects the rights of citizens. Fusion centers implement privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. **EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each**. **The SIAC has achieved 6 of these attributes**.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	6	5	5.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	Yes
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4. Fusion center trains all personnel who access criminal intelligence systems in 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
5. Fusion center has identified a Privacy/CRCL Officer for the center	Yes
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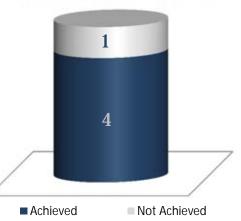
EC 2: Sustainment

Definition: The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

To ensure the long term growth and maturation of the National Network of Fusion Centers, fusion centers must develop and execute strategies aimed at ensuring their long-term sustainment and reflecting the return on the investment of resources. By implementing strategies, fusion centers can more efficiently and effectively apply resources to achieve and maintain critical and enabling capabilities and perform core missions. **EC 2 has 5 attributes, each worth 1 point. The SIAC has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

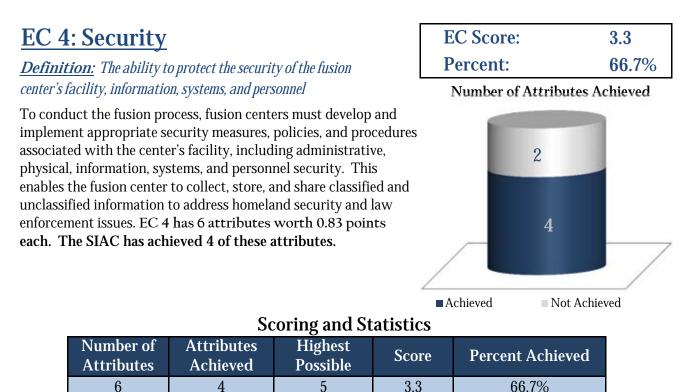
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	5	4.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	No
2. Fusion center conducts an annual financial audit	Yes
3. Fusion center completes annual operational cost assessment	Yes
4. Fusion center conducts an exercise at least once a year	Yes
5. Fusion center measures its performance and determines the effectiveness of its operations relative to expectations it or its governing entity have defined	Yes

EC 3: Communications and **EC Score**: 1.7 **Outreach Percent:** 33.3% **Definition:** The ability to develop and execute a communications and Number of Attributes Achieved outreach plan By establishing and enhancing collaborative relationships with fusion center stakeholders, fusion centers can expand their customer base and enhance information flow with these partners. 2 Successful communications and outreach activities enable fusion centers to engage law enforcement, as well as multidisciplinary partners in the fusion process. The 3 attributes of EC 3 are worth 1.67 points. The SIAC has achieved 1 of these attributes. 1 Achieved Not Achieved **Scoring and Statistics**

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
3	1	5	1.7	33.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	Yes
2. Fusion center has an approved communication plan	No
3. Fusion center has a process for capturing success stories	No



Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved security plan that addresses personnel, physical and information security	No
2. Fusion center trains all personnel on the fusion center's security plan	No
3. Fusion center has a designated Security Liaison	Yes
4. Fusion center's Security Liaison (or other organization's Security Liaison) completes annual training	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to the Central Verification System (CVS)	Yes
6. Fusion center's Security Liaison (or other organization's Security Liaison) is trained on how to use CVS	Yes

Appendix I. Strengthening Fusion Center Capabilities through Gap Mitigation

Federal, state, and local fusion center stakeholders share a common goal of supporting a nationwide capacity for receiving, analyzing, disseminating and gathering threat information. The purpose of gap mitigation is to assist fusion centers in fully achieving and maintaining their capacity to execute the COCs, the ECs, and additional priority areas. Building these capabilities requires support across four key components:

- 1. <u>Policies and Processes:</u> By having documented policies and processes, a fusion center has the ability to focus organizational resources on the consistent, standardized, and effective execution of the capability.
- 2. <u>**People:**</u> By having people with the appropriate training, skills, and knowledge, the fusion center has the expertise to execute the capability.
- 3. <u>Technology</u>: By having access to relevant technology, the fusion center has the ability to execute the capability in a timely, efficient, and cost effective manner.
- 4. <u>**Partners:**</u> By working with partners, the fusion center has the ability to execute and deliver the capability to meet evolving customer needs and requirements.

In 2012, the Federal Government will continue to focus its support for fusion centers through the delivery and deployment of gap mitigation resources. These gap mitigation resources provide fusion centers with the knowledge, skills, and tools necessary to enable the effective execution of the fusion process.

Informed by the results of the 2011 Fusion Center Assessment (2011 Assessment), both in terms of fusion centers' capabilities and of the effectiveness of federal support, the Federal Government identified those resources that can most effectively support fusion centers with mitigating identified capability gaps. As part of this process, the Federal Government identified over 40 new or existing activities to support gap mitigation efforts in 2012. These activities are aligned to the four COCs, the four ECs, and an additional priority area of Governance.

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2011 Fusion Center Assessment Individual Report

St. Louis Fusion Center

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St. Louis Fusion Center (SLFC)

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76.8

National Network Average:

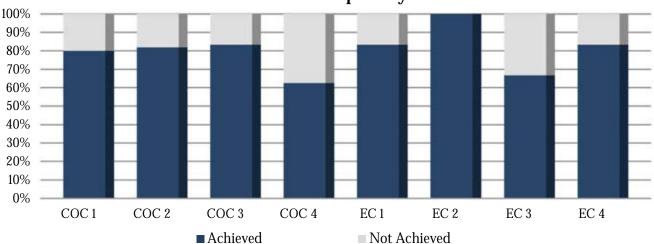
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Recognized Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, all hazards, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: N/A Year Fusion Center Established: 2006

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Achievement of Capability Attributes

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

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5	4	20	16.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	No
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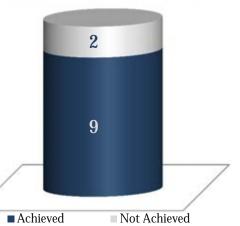
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	9	20	16.4	81.8%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	No
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	No
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
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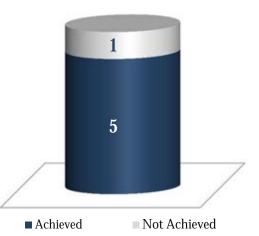
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	5	20	16.7	83.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	No
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	Yes
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	Yes
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	Yes

COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	5	20	12.5	62.5%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	No
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	No
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	Yes
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	No
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes

EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and **Civil Liberties**

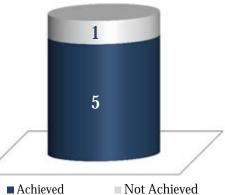
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liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The SLFC has achieved 5 of these attributes.

EC Score:	4.2		
Percent:	83.3%		

Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

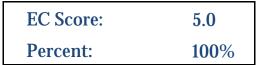
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6	5	5	4.2	83.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
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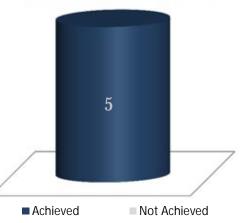
EC 2: Sustainment

Definition: The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

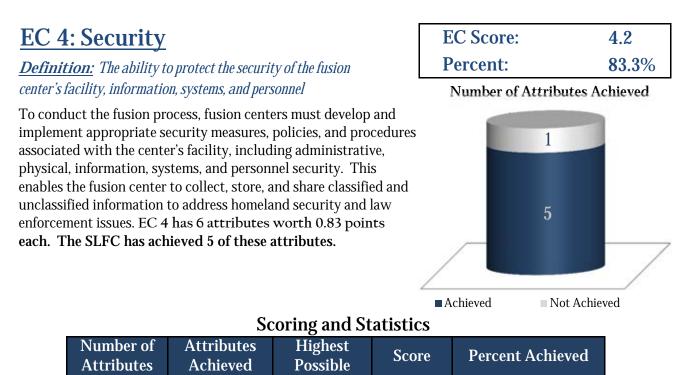
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	5	5	5.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	Yes
2. Fusion center conducts an annual financial audit	Yes
3. Fusion center completes annual operational cost assessment	Yes
4. Fusion center conducts an exercise at least once a year	Yes
5. Fusion center measures its performance and determines the effectiveness of its operations relative to expectations it or its governing entity have defined	Yes

EC Score: EC 3: Communications and 3.3 **Outreach Percent:** 66.7% **Definition:** The ability to develop and execute a communications and Number of Attributes Achieved outreach plan By establishing and enhancing collaborative relationships with fusion center stakeholders, fusion centers can expand their 1 customer base and enhance information flow with these partners. Successful communications and outreach activities enable fusion centers to engage law enforcement, as well as multidisciplinary partners in the fusion process. The 3 attributes of EC 3 are 2 worth 1.67 points. The SLFC has achieved 2 of these attributes. Achieved Not Achieved **Scoring and Statistics**

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
3	2	5	3.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	Yes
2. Fusion center has an approved communication plan	No
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Achievement of the Attributes for EC 4

5

6

5

4.2

83.3%

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1. Fusion center has an approved security plan that addresses personnel, physical and information security	No
2. Fusion center trains all personnel on the fusion center's security plan	Yes
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4. Fusion center's Security Liaison (or other organization's Security Liaison) completes annual training	Yes
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This report reflects fusion center scores for each COC and EC, as well as an overall score. The highest possible score a fusion center can receive is 100 points. As seen in the graphic below, the overall score is computed by adding all COC and EC scores. All four ECs equal the weight of one COC.



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Southern Nevada Counter-Terrorism Center (SNCTC)

Overall Score:67.9National
Network Average:76.8

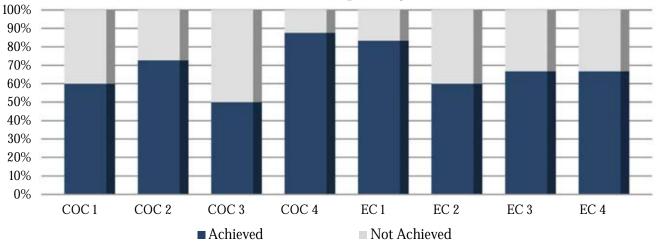
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, all hazards, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: N/A Year Fusion Center Established: 2007

	Total <u>Fusion Center</u>			National 1	<u>Network</u>	
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	3	12.0	60.0%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	8	14.5	72.7%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	3	10.0	50.0%	13.1	65.7%
COC 4: Gather	8	7	17.5	87.5%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	5	4.2	83.3%	4.1	82.2%
EC 2: Sustainment	5	3	3.0	60.0%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	2	3.3	66.7%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	4	3.3	66.7%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

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COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC I is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The SNCTC has achieved 3 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	3	20	12.0	60.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	No
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	No
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

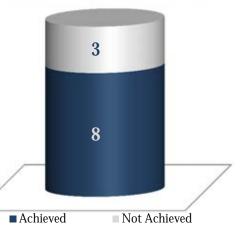
COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The SNCTC has achieved 8 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	8	20	14.5	72.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	No
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	No
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	No
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The SNCTC has achieved 3 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	3	20	10.0	50.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	No
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	Yes
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	No
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No

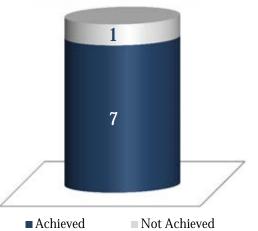
COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The SNCTC has achieved 7 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	7	20	17.5	87.5%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	Yes
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	Yes
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	No
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes

<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

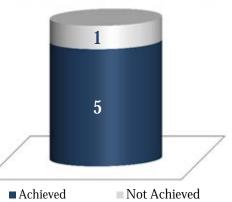
<u>**Definition:**</u> The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans

civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans For fusion centers to successfully engage in information sharing, they must share information in a manner that protects the rights of citizens. Fusion centers implement privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. **EC 1 has**

6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The SNCTC has achieved 5 of these attributes.

EC Score:	4.2
Percent:	83.3%

Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

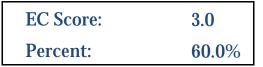
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	5	5	4.2	83.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	Yes
3. Fusion center's policies, processes, and mechanisms for receiving, cataloging, and retaining information (provided to the center) comply with 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
4. Fusion center trains all personnel who access criminal intelligence systems in 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
5. Fusion center has identified a Privacy/CRCL Officer for the center	Yes
6. Fusion center has a privacy policy outreach plan	No

EC 2: Sustainment

<u>**Definition:**</u> The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

To ensure the long term growth and maturation of the National Network of Fusion Centers, fusion centers must develop and execute strategies aimed at ensuring their long-term sustainment and reflecting the return on the investment of resources. By implementing strategies, fusion centers can more efficiently and effectively apply resources to achieve and maintain critical and enabling capabilities and perform core missions. **EC 2 has 5 attributes, each worth 1 point. The SNCTC has achieved 3 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

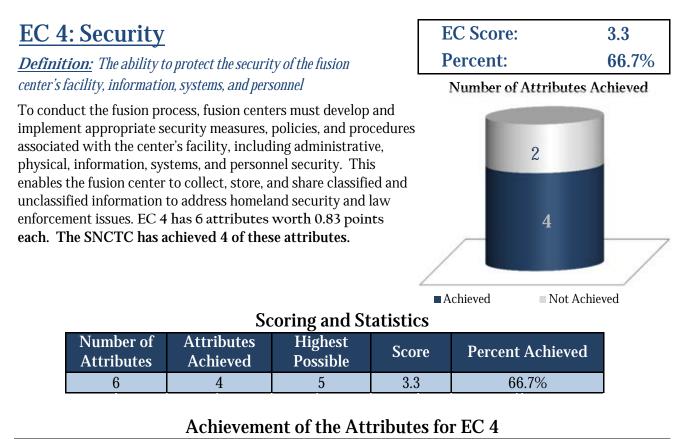
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	3	5	3.0	60.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	Yes
2. Fusion center conducts an annual financial audit	Yes
3. Fusion center completes annual operational cost assessment	No
4. Fusion center conducts an exercise at least once a year	Yes
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Scoring and Statistics						
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South Dakota Fusion Center (SDFC)

Overall Score: 67.6

76.8

National Network Average:

Demographic Information

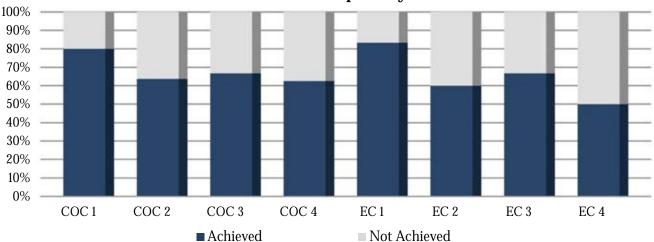
RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes

Staffing Levels: 3 full time, 0 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2007

Total <u>Fusion Center</u>					National 1	<u>Network</u>
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Achievement of Capability Attributes

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	20	16.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	No
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	Yes
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
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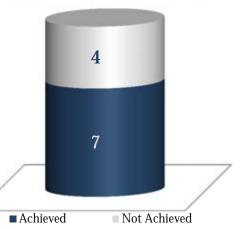
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	7	20	12.7	63.6%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	No
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	No
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	No
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
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COC 3: Disseminate

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes		Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	4	20	13.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	No
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	Yes
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	Yes
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No

COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The SDFC has achieved 5 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	5	20	12.5	62.5%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	No			
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	No			
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes			
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes			
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	Yes			
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	Yes			
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	No			
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes			

<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

<u>Definition</u>: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans

For fusion centers to successfully engage in information sharing, they must share information in a manner that protects the rights of citizens. Fusion centers implement privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. **EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The SDFC has achieved**

5 of these attributes.

EC Score:	4.2
Percent:	83.3%

Number of Attributes Achieved

Achieved Not Achieved

Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	5	5	4.2	83.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	Yes
3. Fusion center's policies, processes, and mechanisms for receiving, cataloging, and retaining information (provided to the center) comply with 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
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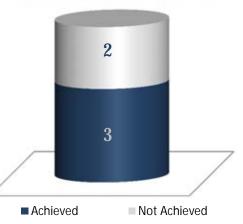
EC 2: Sustainment

Definition: The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

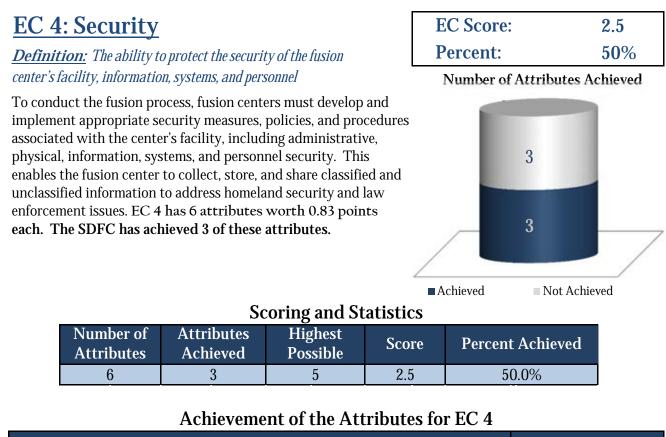
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	3	5	3.0	60.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	No
2. Fusion center conducts an annual financial audit	Yes
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4. Fusion center conducts an exercise at least once a year	Yes
5. Fusion center measures its performance and determines the effectiveness of its operations relative to expectations it or its governing entity have defined	No

EC Score: EC 3: Communications and 3.3 **Outreach Percent:** 66.7% **Definition:** The ability to develop and execute a communications and Number of Attributes Achieved outreach plan By establishing and enhancing collaborative relationships with fusion center stakeholders, fusion centers can expand their 1 customer base and enhance information flow with these partners. Successful communications and outreach activities enable fusion centers to engage law enforcement, as well as multidisciplinary partners in the fusion process. The 3 attributes of EC 3 are 2 worth 1.67 points. The SDFC has achieved 2 of these attributes. Achieved Not Achieved Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
3	2	5	3.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	Yes
2. Fusion center has an approved communication plan	No
3. Fusion center has a process for capturing success stories	Yes



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2. Fusion center trains all personnel on the fusion center's security plan	Yes
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Appendix I. Strengthening Fusion Center Capabilities through Gap Mitigation

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- 2. <u>**People:**</u> By having people with the appropriate training, skills, and knowledge, the fusion center has the expertise to execute the capability.
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This report reflects fusion center scores for each COC and EC, as well as an overall score. The highest possible score a fusion center can receive is 100 points. As seen in the graphic below, the overall score is computed by adding all COC and EC scores. All four ECs equal the weight of one COC.



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Illinois Statewide Terrorism and Intelligence Center (STIC)

Overall Score:85.2National
Network Average:76.8

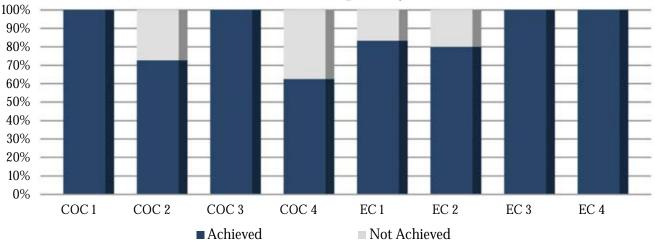
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, all hazards, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: N/A Year Fusion Center Established: 2003

	Total	<u>Fus</u>	ion Center		National 1	<u>Network</u>
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	5	20.0	100%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	8	14.5	72.7%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	6	20.0	100%	13.1	65.7%
COC 4: Gather	8	5	12.5	62.5%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	5	4.2	83.3%	4.1	82.2%
EC 2: Sustainment	5	4	4.0	80.0%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	3	5.0	100%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	6	5.0	100%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

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COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC I is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The STIC has achieved 5 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	5	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	Yes
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

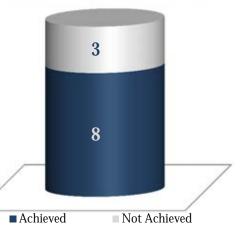
COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The **STIC has achieved 8 of these attributes**.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	8	20	14.5	72.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	No
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	No
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	No
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

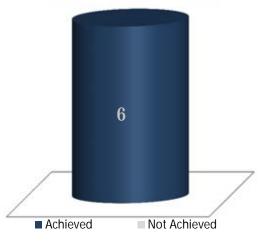
COC 3: Disseminate

<u>Definition</u>: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The **STIC has achieved 6 of these attributes**.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	6	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	Yes
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	Yes
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	Yes

COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The STIC has achieved 5 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

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8	5	20	12.5	62.5%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes			
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	No			
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EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and **Civil Liberties**

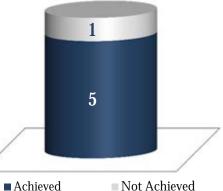
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EC Score:	4.2
Percent:	83.3%

Number of Attributes Achieved



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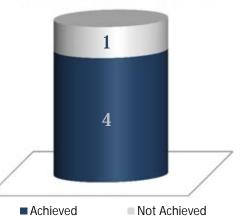
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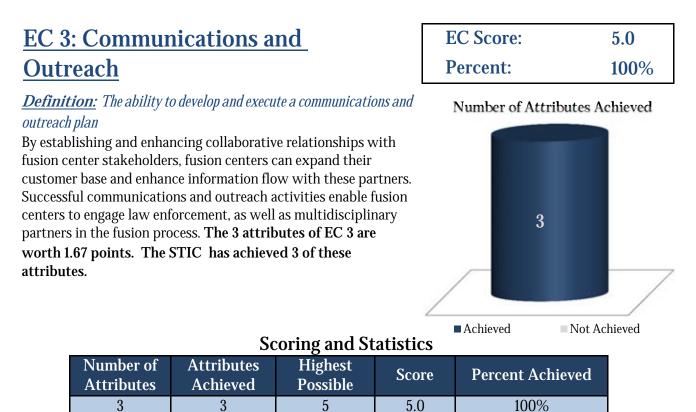
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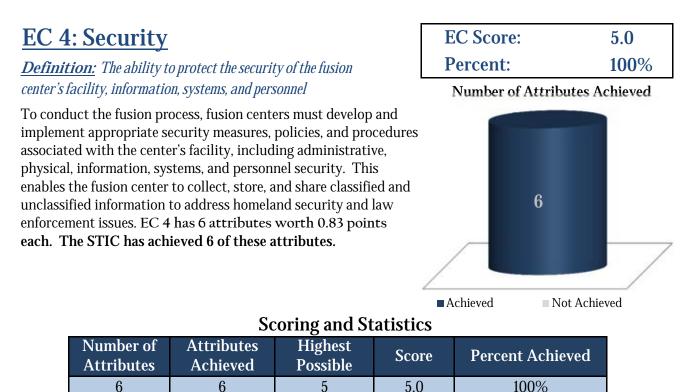
Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	5	4.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	Yes
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Tennessee Fusion Center (TFC)

Overall Score: 94.2

76.8

National Network Average:

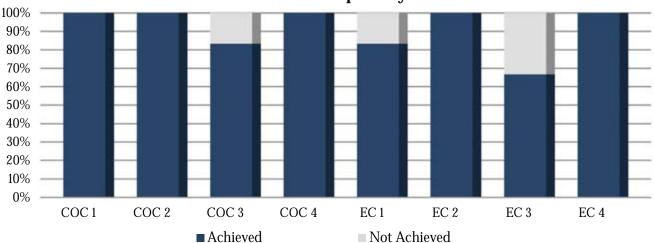
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: 34 full time, 6 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2007

	Total	<u>Fus</u>	ion Center		National 1	<u>Network</u>
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
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Achievement of Capability Attributes

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	5	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	Yes
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
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5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The **TFC has achieved 11 of these attributes**.



Not Achieved

11

Achieved

Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	11	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	Yes
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

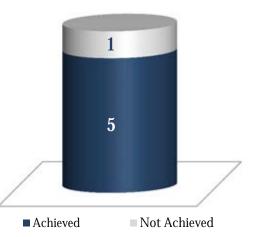
COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The TFC has achieved 5 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	5	20	16.7	83.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	Yes
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	Yes
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No

COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The TFC has achieved 8 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



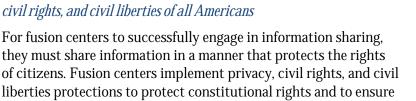
Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	8	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes			
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes			
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes			
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes			
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	Yes			
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	Yes			
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	Yes			
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<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

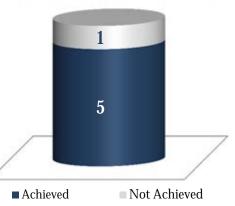
<u>Definition</u>: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans



fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The TFC has achieved 5 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	5	5	4.2	83.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	Yes
3. Fusion center's policies, processes, and mechanisms for receiving, cataloging, and retaining information (provided to the center) comply with 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
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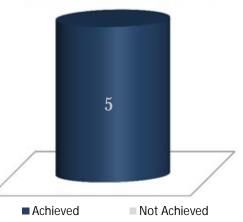
EC 2: Sustainment

Definition: The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

To ensure the long term growth and maturation of the National Network of Fusion Centers, fusion centers must develop and execute strategies aimed at ensuring their long-term sustainment and reflecting the return on the investment of resources. By implementing strategies, fusion centers can more efficiently and effectively apply resources to achieve and maintain critical and enabling capabilities and perform core missions. **EC 2 has 5 attributes, each worth 1 point. The TFC has achieved 5 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



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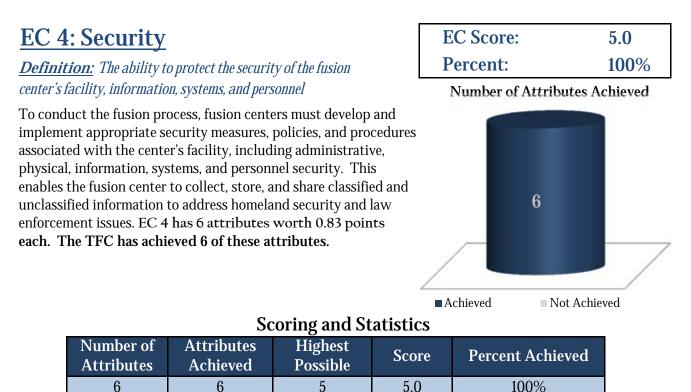
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
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Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	Yes
2. Fusion center conducts an annual financial audit	Yes
3. Fusion center completes annual operational cost assessment	Yes
4. Fusion center conducts an exercise at least once a year	Yes
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EC Score: EC 3: Communications and 3.3 **Outreach Percent:** 66.7% **Definition:** The ability to develop and execute a communications and Number of Attributes Achieved outreach plan By establishing and enhancing collaborative relationships with fusion center stakeholders, fusion centers can expand their 1 customer base and enhance information flow with these partners. Successful communications and outreach activities enable fusion centers to engage law enforcement, as well as multidisciplinary partners in the fusion process. The 3 attributes of EC 3 are 2 worth 1.67 points. The TFC has achieved 2 of these attributes. Achieved Not Achieved **Scoring and Statistics**

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
3	2	5	3.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	Yes
2. Fusion center has an approved communication plan	No
3. Fusion center has a process for capturing success stories	Yes



Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved security plan that addresses personnel, physical and information security	Yes
2. Fusion center trains all personnel on the fusion center's security plan	Yes
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4. Fusion center's Security Liaison (or other organization's Security Liaison) completes annual training	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to the Central Verification System (CVS)	Yes
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Appendix I. Strengthening Fusion Center Capabilities through Gap Mitigation

Federal, state, and local fusion center stakeholders share a common goal of supporting a nationwide capacity for receiving, analyzing, disseminating and gathering threat information. The purpose of gap mitigation is to assist fusion centers in fully achieving and maintaining their capacity to execute the COCs, the ECs, and additional priority areas. Building these capabilities requires support across four key components:

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- 3. <u>Technology</u>: By having access to relevant technology, the fusion center has the ability to execute the capability in a timely, efficient, and cost effective manner.
- 4. <u>**Partners:**</u> By working with partners, the fusion center has the ability to execute and deliver the capability to meet evolving customer needs and requirements.

In 2012, the Federal Government will continue to focus its support for fusion centers through the delivery and deployment of gap mitigation resources. These gap mitigation resources provide fusion centers with the knowledge, skills, and tools necessary to enable the effective execution of the fusion process.

Informed by the results of the 2011 Fusion Center Assessment (2011 Assessment), both in terms of fusion centers' capabilities and of the effectiveness of federal support, the Federal Government identified those resources that can most effectively support fusion centers with mitigating identified capability gaps. As part of this process, the Federal Government identified over 40 new or existing activities to support gap mitigation efforts in 2012. These activities are aligned to the four COCs, the four ECs, and an additional priority area of Governance.

The full menu of 2012 gap mitigation activities will be shared with Fusion Center Directors and also included in the 2011 Fusion Center Assessment Final Report. By leveraging the resources identified in this document, the National Network of Fusion Centers can enhance their capabilities in a manner that not only increases the efficacy and efficiency of individual fusion centers but also supports the maturation of an integrated National Network.

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Introduction

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), in coordination with its interagency partnersⁱ and the National Network of Fusion Centers (National Network), conducted the 2011 Fusion Center Assessment (2011 Assessment) to demonstrate the value of the National Network in protecting and securing the homeland. Fusion centers are analytic hubs responsible for applying a local context to the national threat picture to support prevention and protection activities at the federal, state and local levels. This assessment is a critical element of a broader Fusion Center Performance Program that will measure the capability and performance of the National Network. The 2011 Assessment measures the maturity of fusion center capabilities, which will allow state and local leaders to identify areas to strengthen capabilities and to support investment requests. Assessment data will also allow the Federal Government to better target support to help fusion centers mitigate capability gaps and maintain those capabilities already in place.

In order to assess the capabilities of the National Network, the 2011 Assessment determined the progress of fusion center's achievement of the Critical Operational Capabilities (COCs) (Receive, Analyze, Disseminate, and Gather), which reflect the operational priorities of the National Network, and Enabling Capabilities (ECs) (Privacy/Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, Sustainment, Communications and Outreach, and Security), which strengthens the fusion process.

Scope and Methodology

The scope of the 2011 Assessment is the progress made by the National Network in achieving the COCs and ECs from October 1, 2010 to August 1, 2011. Individual Fusion Center Reports detail the result of each fusion center independently, providing Fusion Center Directors information necessary to develop Homeland Security Grant Program Investment Justifications, guide resource allocation in general, and improve center operations.

In order to determine the progress made in implementing the COCs and ECs, Fusion Center Directors responded to an online questionnaire. DHS and its federal partners validated this data by conducting thorough reviews of the submissions to ensure consistency of data and minimize data discrepancies. Following these reviews, DHS conducted structured interviews with Fusion Center Directors to address identified issues. DHS analyzed this validated assessment data to evaluate fusion center progress towards achievement of the COCs and ECs.

This report reflects fusion center scores for each COC and EC, as well as an overall score. The highest possible score a fusion center can receive is 100 points. As seen in the graphic below, the overall score is computed by adding all COC and EC scores. All four ECs equal the weight of one COC.



¹ Interagency partner participation included members of the Fusion Center Subcommittee of the Information Sharing and Access Interagency Policy Committee: Department of Defense, Department of Justice(DOJ), Nationwide Suspicious Activity Reporting Initiative Program Management Office, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Office of National Drug Control Policy, Program Manager for the Information Sharing Environment, and the DOJ Global Justice Information Sharing Initiative's Criminal Intelligence Coordinating Council which serves in an advisory role to the Subcommittee.

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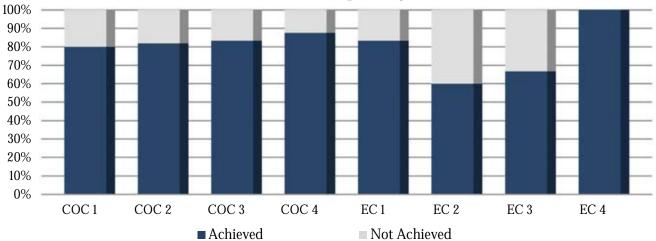
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: 18 full time, 8 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2007

	Total	<u>Fusion Center</u>			National 1	<u>Network</u>
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	4	16.0	80.0%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	9	16.4	81.8%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	5	16.7	83.3%	1' '%	65"+%
COC 4: Gather	8	7	17.5	87.5%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	5	4.2	83.3%	4.1	82.2%
EC 2: Sustainment	5	3	3.0	60.0%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	2	3.3	66.7%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	6	5.0	100%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

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COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC I is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The TITAN has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	20	16.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	No
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

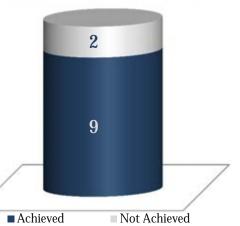
COC 2: Analyze

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	9	20	16.4	81.8%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	No
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	No
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

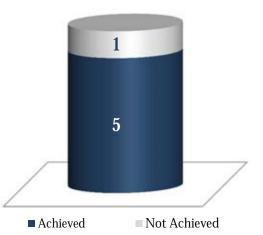
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	5	20	16.7	83.3%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes			
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes			
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	Yes			
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	Yes			
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes			
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No			

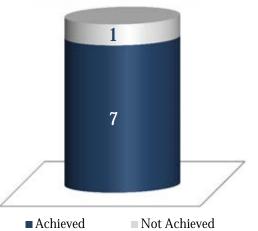
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Number of Attributes Achieved



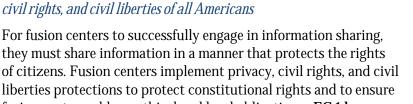
Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	7	20	17.5	87.5%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	Yes
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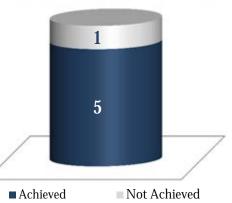
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fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. **EC 1 has** 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The TITAN has achieved 5 of these attributes.

EC Score:	4.2
Percent:	83.3%

Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

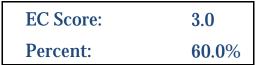
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EC 2: Sustainment

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Number of Attributes Achieved



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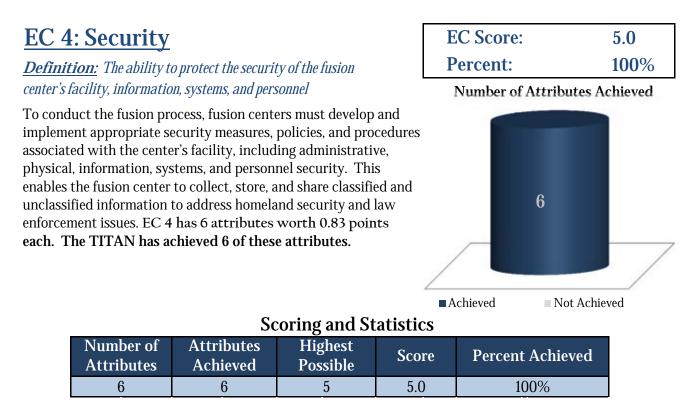
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	3	5	3.0	60.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	No
2. Fusion center conducts an annual financial audit	No
3. Fusion center completes annual operational cost assessment	Yes
4. Fusion center conducts an exercise at least once a year	Yes
5. Fusion center measures its performance and determines the effectiveness of its operations relative to expectations it or its governing entity have defined	Yes

EC 3: Communications and **EC Score**: 3.3 **Outreach Percent:** 66.7% **Definition:** The ability to develop and execute a communications and Number of Attributes Achieved outreach plan By establishing and enhancing collaborative relationships with fusion center stakeholders, fusion centers can expand their 1 customer base and enhance information flow with these partners. Successful communications and outreach activities enable fusion centers to engage law enforcement, as well as multidisciplinary partners in the fusion process. The 3 attributes of EC 3 are 2 worth 1.67 points. The TITAN has achieved 2 of these attributes. Achieved Not Achieved **Scoring and Statistics**

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
3	2	5	3.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	Yes
2. Fusion center has an approved communication plan	No
3. Fusion center has a process for capturing success stories	Yes



Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved security plan that addresses personnel, physical and information security	Yes
2. Fusion center trains all personnel on the fusion center's security plan	Yes
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In order to assess the capabilities of the National Network, the 2011 Assessment determined the progress of fusion center's achievement of the Critical Operational Capabilities (COCs) (Receive, Analyze, Disseminate, and Gather), which reflect the operational priorities of the National Network, and Enabling Capabilities (ECs) (Privacy/Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, Sustainment, Communications and Outreach, and Security), which strengthens the fusion process.

Scope and Methodology

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Texas Fusion Center (TxFC)

Overall Score: 89.0

76.8

National Network Average:

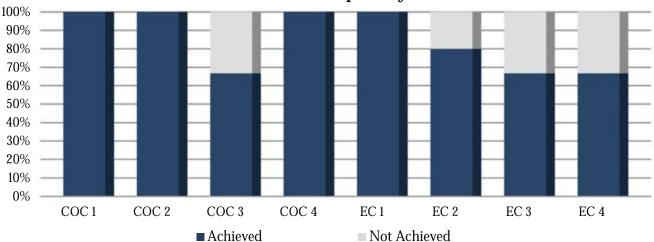
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, all hazards, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: N/A Year Fusion Center Established: 2005

	Total	Total <u>Fusion Center</u>				<u>Network</u>
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	5	20.0	100%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	11	20.0	100%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	4	13.3	66.7%	13.1	65.7%
COC 4: Gather	8	8	20.0	100%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	6	5.0	100%	4.1	82.2%
EC 2: Sustainment	5	4	4.0	80.0%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	2	3.3	66.7%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	4	3.3	66.7%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

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COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC I is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The TXFC has achieved 5 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	5	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	Yes
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

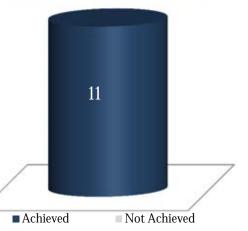
COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The **TXFC has achieved 11 of these attributes**.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	11	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	Yes
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The TXFC has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



13.3

66.7%

Achieved Not Achieved

COC Score:

Percent:

Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	4	20	13.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	No
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	Yes
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No

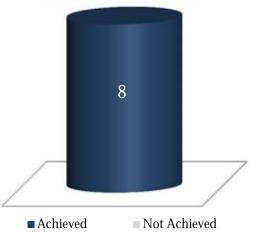
COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The TXFC has achieved 8 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	8	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes			
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes			
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes			
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes			
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	Yes			
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	Yes			
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	Yes			
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes			

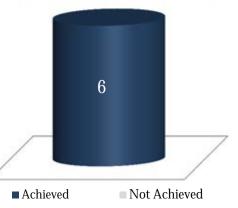
<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

<u>Definition</u>: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans

For fusion centers to successfully engage in information sharing, they must share information in a manner that protects the rights of citizens. Fusion centers implement privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. **EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each**. **The TXFC has achieved 6 of these attributes**.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	6	5	5.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	Yes
3. Fusion center's policies, processes, and mechanisms for receiving, cataloging, and retaining information (provided to the center) comply with 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
4. Fusion center trains all personnel who access criminal intelligence systems in 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
5. Fusion center has identified a Privacy/CRCL Officer for the center	Yes
6. Fusion center has a privacy policy outreach plan	Yes

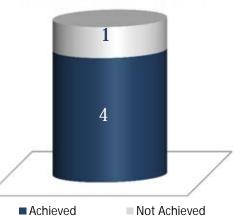
EC 2: Sustainment

<u>**Definition:**</u> The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

To ensure the long term growth and maturation of the National Network of Fusion Centers, fusion centers must develop and execute strategies aimed at ensuring their long-term sustainment and reflecting the return on the investment of resources. By implementing strategies, fusion centers can more efficiently and effectively apply resources to achieve and maintain critical and enabling capabilities and perform core missions. **EC 2 has 5 attributes, each worth 1 point. The TXFC has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	5	4.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	Yes
2. Fusion center conducts an annual financial audit	Yes
3. Fusion center completes annual operational cost assessment	No
4. Fusion center conducts an exercise at least once a year	Yes
5. Fusion center measures its performance and determines the effectiveness of its operations relative to expectations it or its governing entity have defined	Yes

EC 3: Communications and **EC Score**: 3.3 **Outreach Percent:** 66.7% **Definition:** The ability to develop and execute a communications and Number of Attributes Achieved outreach plan By establishing and enhancing collaborative relationships with fusion center stakeholders, fusion centers can expand their 1 customer base and enhance information flow with these partners. Successful communications and outreach activities enable fusion centers to engage law enforcement, as well as multidisciplinary partners in the fusion process. The 3 attributes of EC 3 are 2 worth 1.67 points. The TXFC has achieved 2 of these attributes. Achieved Not Achieved Scoring and Statistics

Scoring and Statistics						
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved		
3	2	5	3.3	66.7%		

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	Yes
2. Fusion center has an approved communication plan	No
3. Fusion center has a process for capturing success stories	Yes

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1. Fusion center has an approved security plan that addresses personnel, physical and information security	Yes
2. Fusion center trains all personnel on the fusion center's security plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has a designated Security Liaison	Yes
4. Fusion center's Security Liaison (or other organization's Security Liaison) completes annual training	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to the Central Verification System (CVS)	No

6. Fusion center's Security Liaison (or other organization's Security Liaison) is trained on how to use CVS No

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Appendix I. Strengthening Fusion Center Capabilities through Gap Mitigation

Federal, state, and local fusion center stakeholders share a common goal of supporting a nationwide capacity for receiving, analyzing, disseminating and gathering threat information. The purpose of gap mitigation is to assist fusion centers in fully achieving and maintaining their capacity to execute the COCs, the ECs, and additional priority areas. Building these capabilities requires support across four key components:

- 1. <u>Policies and Processes:</u> By having documented policies and processes, a fusion center has the ability to focus organizational resources on the consistent, standardized, and effective execution of the capability.
- 2. <u>**People:**</u> By having people with the appropriate training, skills, and knowledge, the fusion center has the expertise to execute the capability.
- 3. <u>Technology</u>: By having access to relevant technology, the fusion center has the ability to execute the capability in a timely, efficient, and cost effective manner.
- 4. <u>**Partners:**</u> By working with partners, the fusion center has the ability to execute and deliver the capability to meet evolving customer needs and requirements.

In 2012, the Federal Government will continue to focus its support for fusion centers through the delivery and deployment of gap mitigation resources. These gap mitigation resources provide fusion centers with the knowledge, skills, and tools necessary to enable the effective execution of the fusion process.

Informed by the results of the 2011 Fusion Center Assessment (2011 Assessment), both in terms of fusion centers' capabilities and of the effectiveness of federal support, the Federal Government identified those resources that can most effectively support fusion centers with mitigating identified capability gaps. As part of this process, the Federal Government identified over 40 new or existing activities to support gap mitigation efforts in 2012. These activities are aligned to the four COCs, the four ECs, and an additional priority area of Governance.

The full menu of 2012 gap mitigation activities will be shared with Fusion Center Directors and also included in the 2011 Fusion Center Assessment Final Report. By leveraging the resources identified in this document, the National Network of Fusion Centers can enhance their capabilities in a manner that not only increases the efficacy and efficiency of individual fusion centers but also supports the maturation of an integrated National Network.

2011 Fusion Center Assessment Individual Report

Vermont Information and Analysis Center

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Introduction

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), in coordination with its interagency partnersⁱ and the National Network of Fusion Centers (National Network), conducted the 2011 Fusion Center Assessment (2011 Assessment) to demonstrate the value of the National Network in protecting and securing the homeland. Fusion centers are analytic hubs responsible for applying a local context to the national threat picture to support prevention and protection activities at the federal, state and local levels. This assessment is a critical element of a broader Fusion Center Performance Program that will measure the capability and performance of the National Network. The 2011 Assessment measures the maturity of fusion center capabilities, which will allow state and local leaders to identify areas to strengthen capabilities and to support investment requests. Assessment data will also allow the Federal Government to better target support to help fusion centers mitigate capability gaps and maintain those capabilities already in place.

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Vermont Information and Analysis Center (VIAC)

Overall Score:61.0National
Network Average:76.8

Demographic Information

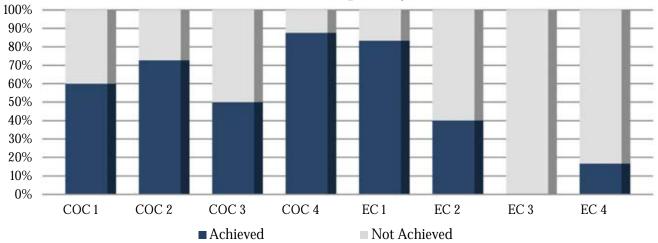
RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes

Staffing Levels: N/A Year Fusion Center Established: 2005

	Total	<u>Fus</u>	ion Center	National 1	Network	
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	3	12.0	60.0%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	8	14.5	72.7%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	3	10.0	50.0%	13.1	65.7%
COC 4: Gather	8	7	17.5	87.5%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	5	4.2	83.3%	4.1	82.2%
EC 2: Sustainment	5	2	2.0	40.0%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	0	0.0	0.0%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	1	0.8	16.7%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

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COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	3	20	12.0	60.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	No
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	No
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
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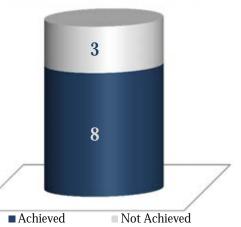
COC 2: Analyze

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	8	20	14.5	72.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	No
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	No
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9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
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11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

COC 3: Disseminate

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	3	20	10.0	50.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	No
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	Yes
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	No
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No

COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The VIAC has achieved 7 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Scoring and Statistics					
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved	
8	7	20	17.5	87.5%	

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	Yes
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	Yes
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	No
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes

<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

<u>Definition</u>: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans

For fusion centers to successfully engage in information sharing, they must share information in a manner that protects the rights of citizens. Fusion centers implement privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. **EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The VIAC has achieved**

5 of these attributes.

EC Score:	4.2
Percent:	83.3 %

Number of Attributes Achieved

Achieved Not Achieved

Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	5	5	4.2	83.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	Yes
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EC 2: Sustainment

Definition: The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

To ensure the long term growth and maturation of the National Network of Fusion Centers, fusion centers must develop and execute strategies aimed at ensuring their long-term sustainment and reflecting the return on the investment of resources. By implementing strategies, fusion centers can more efficiently and effectively apply resources to achieve and maintain critical and enabling capabilities and perform core missions. **EC 2 has 5 attributes, each worth 1 point. The VIAC has achieved 2 of these attributes.**



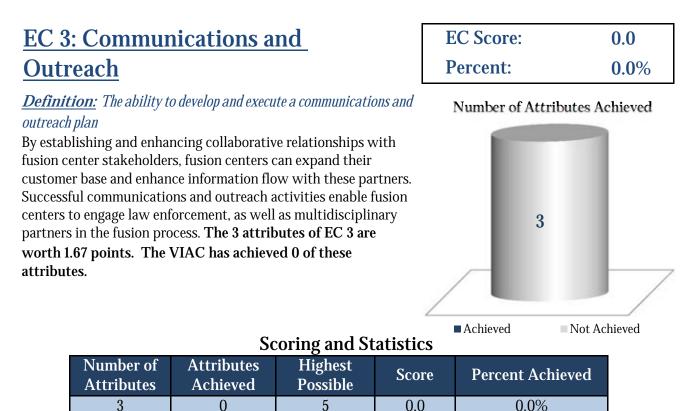
Number of Attributes Achieved



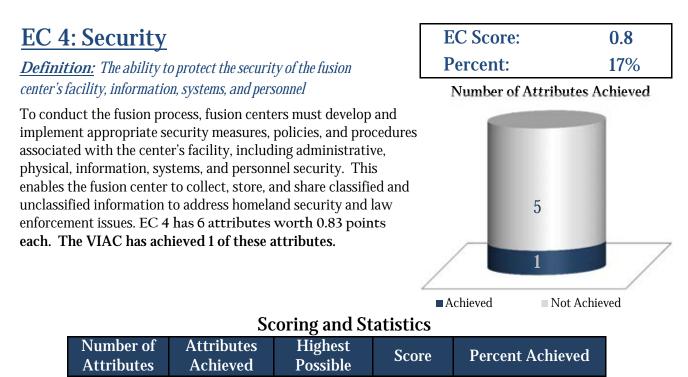
Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	2	5	2.0	40.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	Yes
2. Fusion center conducts an annual financial audit	No
3. Fusion center completes annual operational cost assessment	No
4. Fusion center conducts an exercise at least once a year	Yes
5. Fusion center measures its performance and determines the effectiveness of its operations relative to expectations it or its governing entity have defined	No



Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	No
2. Fusion center has an approved communication plan	No
3. Fusion center has a process for capturing success stories	No



Achievement of the Attributes for EC 4

5

6

1

0.8

17%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved security plan that addresses personnel, physical and information security	No
2. Fusion center trains all personnel on the fusion center's security plan	No
3. Fusion center has a designated Security Liaison	Yes
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2011 Fusion Center Assessment Individual Report

Virginia Fusion Center

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This report reflects fusion center scores for each COC and EC, as well as an overall score. The highest possible score a fusion center can receive is 100 points. As seen in the graphic below, the overall score is computed by adding all COC and EC scores. All four ECs equal the weight of one COC.



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Virginia Fusion Center (VFC)

Overall Score: 97.2

76.8

National Network Average:

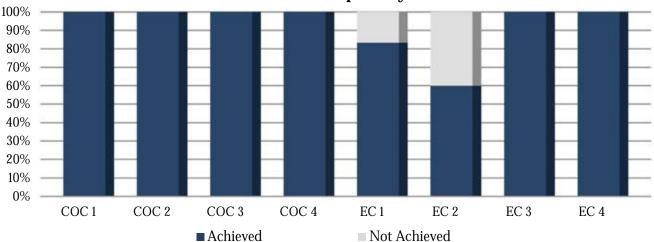
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, all hazards, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: 40 full time, 0 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2005

	Total <u>Fusion Center</u>				National 1	<u>Network</u>
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	5	20.0	100%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	11	20.0	100%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	6	20.0	100%	13.1	65.7%
COC 4: Gather	8	8	20.0	100%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	5	4.2	83.3%	4.1	82.2%
EC 2: Sustainment	5	3	3.0	60.0%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	3	5.0	100%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	6	5.0	100%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC 1 is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The VFC has achieved 5 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	5	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	Yes
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The VFC has achieved 11 of these attributes.



Not Achieved

Achieved

Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	11	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	Yes
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The VFC has achieved 6 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	6	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	Yes
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	Yes
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	Yes

COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The VFC has achieved 8 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



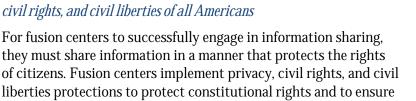
Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	8	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes			
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes			
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes			
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes			
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	Yes			
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	Yes			
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	Yes			
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes			

<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

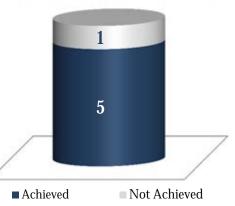
<u>Definition</u>: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans



fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The VFC has achieved 5 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	5	5	4.2	83.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	Yes
3. Fusion center's policies, processes, and mechanisms for receiving, cataloging, and retaining information (provided to the center) comply with 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
4. Fusion center trains all personnel who access criminal intelligence systems in 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
5. Fusion center has identified a Privacy/CRCL Officer for the center	Yes
6. Fusion center has a privacy policy outreach plan	No

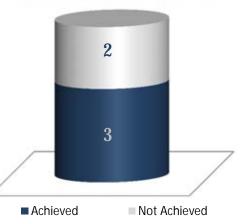
EC 2: Sustainment

Definition: The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

To ensure the long term growth and maturation of the National Network of Fusion Centers, fusion centers must develop and execute strategies aimed at ensuring their long-term sustainment and reflecting the return on the investment of resources. By implementing strategies, fusion centers can more efficiently and effectively apply resources to achieve and maintain critical and enabling capabilities and perform core missions. **EC 2 has 5 attributes, each worth 1 point. The VFC has achieved 3 of these attributes.**



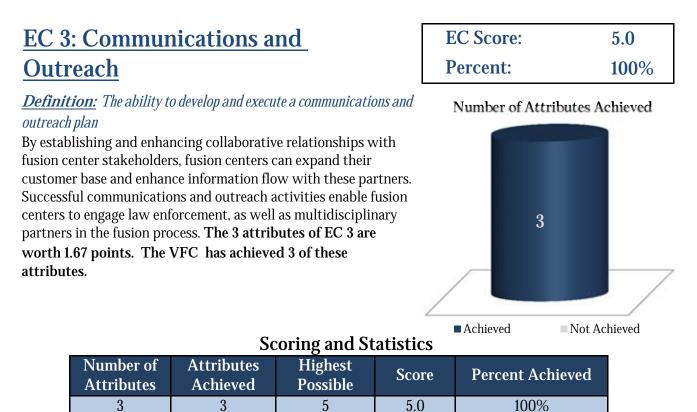
Number of Attributes Achieved



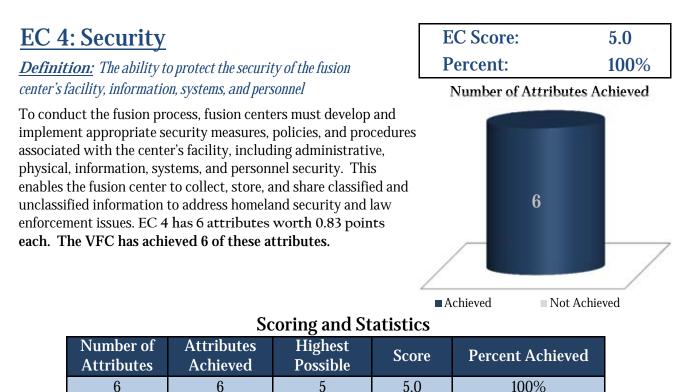
Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	3	5	3.0	60.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	No
2. Fusion center conducts an annual financial audit	No
3. Fusion center completes annual operational cost assessment	Yes
4. Fusion center conducts an exercise at least once a year	Yes
5. Fusion center measures its performance and determines the effectiveness of its operations relative to expectations it or its governing entity have defined	Yes



Attributes	Capability
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Washington Regional Threat and Analysis Center (WRTAC)

Overall Score:81.8National
Network Average:76.8

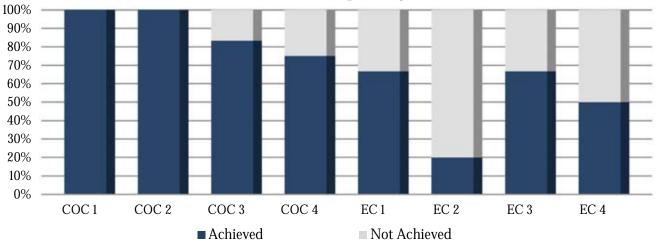
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, all hazards, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: 10 full time, 0 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2008

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Achievement of Capability Attributes

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	5	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	Yes
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

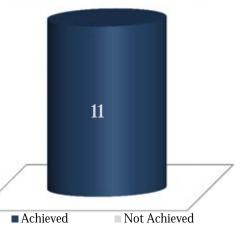
COC 2: Analyze

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Number of Attributes Achieved



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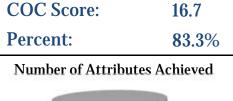
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
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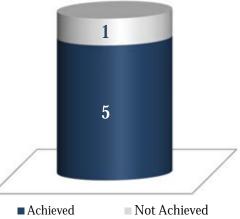
Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	Yes
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

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Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	5	20	16.7	83.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	Yes
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	Yes
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6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No

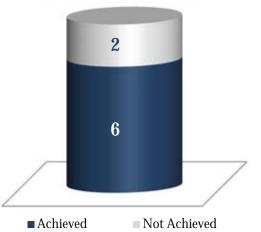
COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The WRTAC has achieved 6 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Scoring and Statistics				
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	6	20	15.0	75.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	No
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	Yes
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	No
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes

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<u>Definition</u>: The ability and commitment to safeguard the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties of all Americans



Number of Attributes Achieved

For fusion centers to successfully engage in information sharing, they must share information in a manner that protects the rights of citizens. Fusion centers implement privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections to protect constitutional rights and to ensure fusion centers address ethical and legal obligations. EC 1 has 6 attributes worth 0.83 points each. The WRTAC has 4 of these attributes.



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	4	5	3.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
2. Fusion center provides formal and standardized training to all personnel on the fusion center's privacy policy annually	No
3. Fusion center's policies, processes, and mechanisms for receiving, cataloging, and retaining information (provided to the center) comply with 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
4. Fusion center trains all personnel who access criminal intelligence systems in 28 C.F.R. Part 23	Yes
5. Fusion center has identified a Privacy/CRCL Officer for the center	Yes
6. Fusion center has a privacy policy outreach plan	No

EC 2: Sustainment

Definition: The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

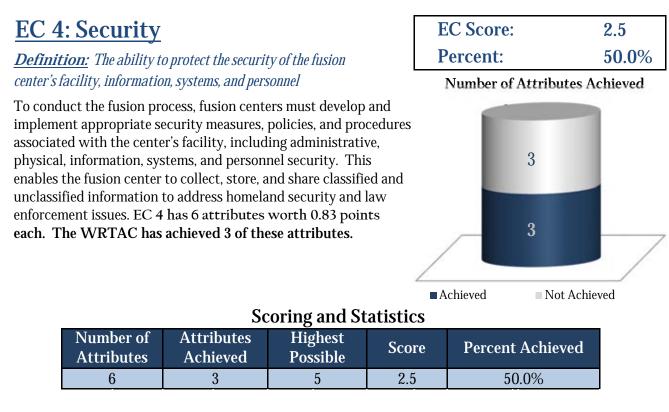
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5	1	5	1.0	20.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved strategic plan	No
2. Fusion center conducts an annual financial audit	No
3. Fusion center completes annual operational cost assessment	Yes
4. Fusion center conducts an exercise at least once a year	No
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EC Score: EC 3: Communications and 3.3 **Outreach Percent:** 66.7% **Definition:** The ability to develop and execute a communications and Number of Attributes Achieved outreach plan By establishing and enhancing collaborative relationships with fusion center stakeholders, fusion centers can expand their 1 customer base and enhance information flow with these partners. Successful communications and outreach activities enable fusion centers to engage law enforcement, as well as multidisciplinary partners in the fusion process. The 3 attributes of EC 3 are 2 worth 1.67 points. The WRTAC has achieved 2 of these attributes. Achieved Not Achieved Scoring and Statistics

Scoring and Statistics				
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
3	2	5	3.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	Yes
2. Fusion center has an approved communication plan	No
3. Fusion center has a process for capturing success stories	Yes



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1. Fusion center has an approved security plan that addresses personnel, physical and information security	No
2. Fusion center trains all personnel on the fusion center's security plan	No
3. Fusion center has a designated Security Liaison	Yes
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Washington State Fusion Center

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In order to assess the capabilities of the National Network, the 2011 Assessment determined the progress of fusion center's achievement of the Critical Operational Capabilities (COCs) (Receive, Analyze, Disseminate, and Gather), which reflect the operational priorities of the National Network, and Enabling Capabilities (ECs) (Privacy/Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, Sustainment, Communications and Outreach, and Security), which strengthens the fusion process.

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This report reflects fusion center scores for each COC and EC, as well as an overall score. The highest possible score a fusion center can receive is 100 points. As seen in the graphic below, the overall score is computed by adding all COC and EC scores. All four ECs equal the weight of one COC.



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Washington State Fusion Center (WSFC)

Overall Score: 77.0

76.8

National Network Average: ____

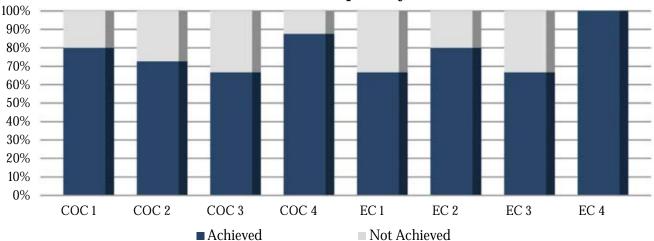
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: 27 full time, 3 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2009

	Total	<u>Fus</u>	ion Center		National 1	<u>Network</u>
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	4	16.0	80.0%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	8	14.5	72.7%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	4	13.3	66.7%	13.1	65.7%
COC 4: Gather	8	7	17.5	87.5%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	4	3.3	66.7%	4.1	82.2%
EC 2: Sustainment	5	4	4.0	80.0%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	2	3.3	66.7%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	6	5.0	100%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

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COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC 1 is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The WSFC has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	20	16.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	No
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

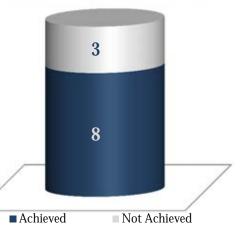
COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The WSFC has achieved 8 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	8	20	14.5	72.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	No
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	No
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	No

COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The WSFC has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes		Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	4	20	13.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	Yes
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	No
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No

COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The WSFC has achieved 7 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	7	20	17.5	87.5%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	No
6. Fusion center has an annual process to review and refresh SINs	Yes
7. Fusion center has a RFI management process	Yes
8. Fusion center has a process to inform DHS of protective measures implemented within its AOR in response to an NTAS alert	Yes

<u>EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights, and</u> <u>Civil Liberties</u>

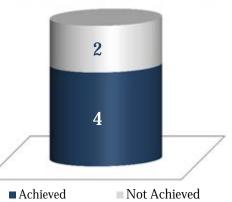
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EC Score:	3.3
Percent:	66.7 %

Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	4	5	3.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
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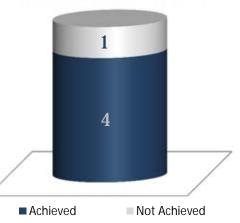
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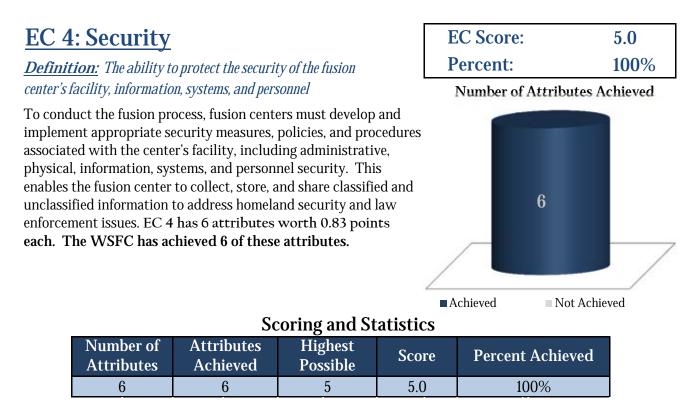
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Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
3	2	5	3.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	Yes
2. Fusion center has an approved communication plan	No
3. Fusion center has a process for capturing success stories	Yes



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2. Fusion center trains all personnel on the fusion center's security plan	Yes
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Wisconsin Statewide Information Center (WSIC)

Overall Score:91.5National
Network Average:76.8

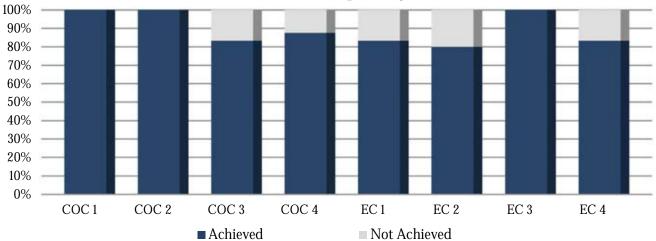
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, all hazards, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: 26 full time, 0 part time Year Fusion Center Established: 2006

	Total	<u>Fus</u>	<u>Fusion Center</u>			<u>Network</u>
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	5	20.0	100%	17.1	85.6%
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COC 4: Gather	8	7	17.5	87.5%	15.4	76.9%
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Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

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Achievement of Capability Attributes

COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC 1 is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The WSIC has achieved 5 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



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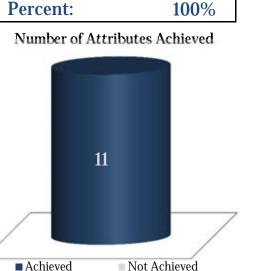
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	5	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	Yes
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

COC 2: Analyze

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20.0

COC Score:

Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	11	20	20.0	100%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	Yes
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
5. Fusion center has a process to provide DHS with information and/or intelligence that offers a local context to threat information in the event of an NTAS - related alert	Yes
6. Fusion center conducts threat assessments within its AOR	Yes
7. Fusion center contributes to or conducts a statewide risk assessment (threat, vulnerability, and consequence analysis)	Yes
8. Fusion center contributes to national-level risk assessments	Yes
9. Fusion center has a customer satisfaction mechanism for its analytic products	Yes
10. Fusion center evaluates the effectiveness of the customer feedback mechanism on an annual basis	Yes
11. All fusion center analysts have received at least 20 hours of issue-specific training in the past 12 months	Yes

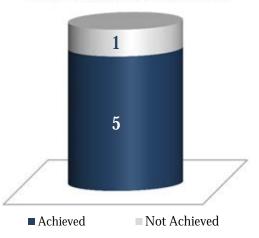
COC 3: Disseminate

Definition: The ability to further disseminate threat information to other state, local, tribal, and territorial entities within their jurisdictions

Fusion centers provide actionable, locally-informed intelligence products to law enforcement and homeland security customers. The nature of homeland security demands that SLTT and private sector customers fully understand those threats that affect their environment so they may take informed actions to support their prevention, protection, or response activities. Implementation of a well-defined dissemination process enables fusion centers to provide information in an organized, targeted, and timely manner. **COC 3 has 6 attributes, each worth 3.33 points. The WSIC has achieved 5 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	5	20	16.7	83.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
2. Fusion center has a dissemination matrix	Yes
3. Fusion center has a primary sensitive but unclassified mechanism to disseminate time sensitive information and products	Yes
4. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses dissemination of NTAS alerts to stakeholders within its AOR	Yes
5. Fusion center has a mechanism to disseminate NTAS alerts	Yes
6. Fusion center has a process for verifying the delivery of products to intended customers	No

COC 4: Gather

Definition: The ability to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with federal partners, as appropriate

Fusion centers gather information, including tips, leads, and suspicious activity reporting (SAR) from local agencies and the public. Well-defined processes for gathering information based on fusion centers' specific information needs enables fusion centers to capture relevant and accurate information. The ability to gather locally-generated information that can enhance or provide context for federally-generated threat information places fusion centers in an indispensable position for identifying and mitigating potential threats. There are 8 attributes in COC 4, each worth 2.5 points. The WSIC has achieved 7 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	7	20	17.5	87.5%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes
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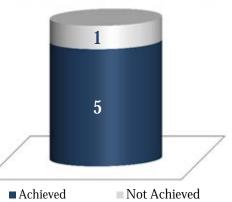
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5 of these attributes.

EC Score:	4.2
Percent:	83.3%

Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

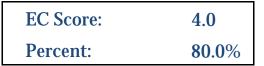
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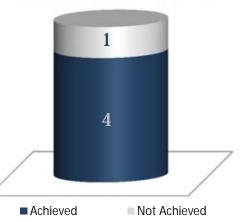
EC 2: Sustainment

Definition: The ability to establish and execute a sustainment strategy to ensure the long-term growth and maturity of the National Network

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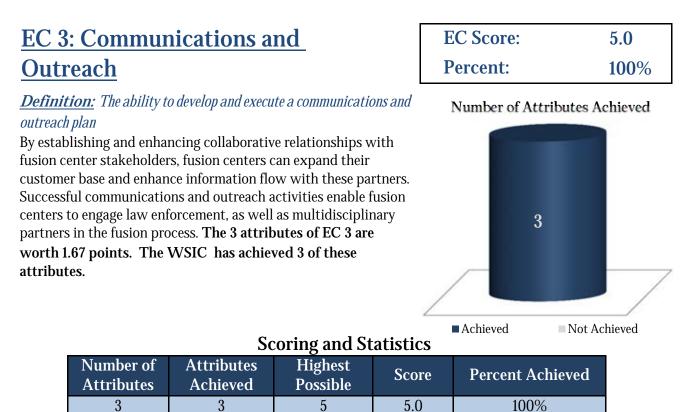
Number of Attributes Achieved



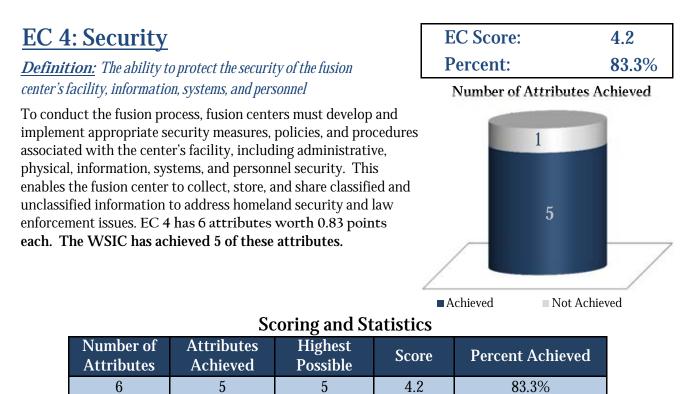
Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	5	4.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
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2. Fusion center conducts an annual financial audit	Yes
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Appendix I. Strengthening Fusion Center Capabilities through Gap Mitigation

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In 2012, the Federal Government will continue to focus its support for fusion centers through the delivery and deployment of gap mitigation resources. These gap mitigation resources provide fusion centers with the knowledge, skills, and tools necessary to enable the effective execution of the fusion process.

Informed by the results of the 2011 Fusion Center Assessment (2011 Assessment), both in terms of fusion centers' capabilities and of the effectiveness of federal support, the Federal Government identified those resources that can most effectively support fusion centers with mitigating identified capability gaps. As part of this process, the Federal Government identified over 40 new or existing activities to support gap mitigation efforts in 2012. These activities are aligned to the four COCs, the four ECs, and an additional priority area of Governance.

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West Virginia Intelligence Fusion Center

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Introduction

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), in coordination with its interagency partnersⁱ and the National Network of Fusion Centers (National Network), conducted the 2011 Fusion Center Assessment (2011 Assessment) to demonstrate the value of the National Network in protecting and securing the homeland. Fusion centers are analytic hubs responsible for applying a local context to the national threat picture to support prevention and protection activities at the federal, state and local levels. This assessment is a critical element of a broader Fusion Center Performance Program that will measure the capability and performance of the National Network. The 2011 Assessment measures the maturity of fusion center capabilities, which will allow state and local leaders to identify areas to strengthen capabilities and to support investment requests. Assessment data will also allow the Federal Government to better target support to help fusion centers mitigate capability gaps and maintain those capabilities already in place.

In order to assess the capabilities of the National Network, the 2011 Assessment determined the progress of fusion center's achievement of the Critical Operational Capabilities (COCs) (Receive, Analyze, Disseminate, and Gather), which reflect the operational priorities of the National Network, and Enabling Capabilities (ECs) (Privacy/Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, Sustainment, Communications and Outreach, and Security), which strengthens the fusion process.

Scope and Methodology

The scope of the 2011 Assessment is the progress made by the National Network in achieving the COCs and ECs from October 1, 2010 to August 1, 2011. Individual Fusion Center Reports detail the result of each fusion center independently, providing Fusion Center Directors information necessary to develop Homeland Security Grant Program Investment Justifications, guide resource allocation in general, and improve center operations.

In order to determine the progress made in implementing the COCs and ECs, Fusion Center Directors responded to an online questionnaire. DHS and its federal partners validated this data by conducting thorough reviews of the submissions to ensure consistency of data and minimize data discrepancies. Following these reviews, DHS conducted structured interviews with Fusion Center Directors to address identified issues. DHS analyzed this validated assessment data to evaluate fusion center progress towards achievement of the COCs and ECs.

This report reflects fusion center scores for each COC and EC, as well as an overall score. The highest possible score a fusion center can receive is 100 points. As seen in the graphic below, the overall score is computed by adding all COC and EC scores. All four ECs equal the weight of one COC.



¹ Interagency partner participation included members of the Fusion Center Subcommittee of the Information Sharing and Access Interagency Policy Committee: Department of Defense, Department of Justice(DOJ), Nationwide Suspicious Activity Reporting Initiative Program Management Office, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Office of National Drug Control Policy, Program Manager for the Information Sharing Environment, and the DOJ Global Justice Information Sharing Initiative's Criminal Intelligence Coordinating Council which serves in an advisory role to the Subcommittee.

West Virginia Intelligence Fusion Center (WVIFC)

Overall Score:70.2National
Network Average:76.8

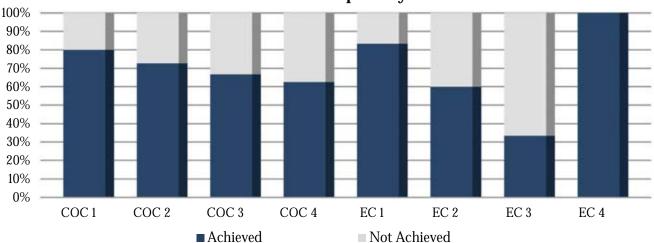
Demographic Information

RAC Category: Primary State Fusion Center Mission: All crimes, all hazards, counterterrorism Staffing Levels: N/A Year Fusion Center Established: 2008

	Total	<u>Fus</u>	ion Center		National 1	<u>Network</u>
COC or EC	Attributes	Achieved	Score	Percent	Average	Percent
COC 1: Receive	5	4	16.0	80.0%	17.1	85.6%
COC 2: Analyze	11	8	14.5	72.7%	16.4	81.8%
COC 3: Disseminate	6	4	13.3	66.7%	13.1	65.7%
COC 4: Gather	8	5	12.5	62.5%	15.4	76.9%
EC 1: Privacy, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	6	5	4.2	83.3%	4.1	82.2%
EC 2: Sustainment	5	3	3.0	60.0%	3.4	68.3%
EC 3: Communications	3	1	1.7	33.3%	3.3	65.7%
EC 4: Security	6	6	5.0	100%	4.0	79.4%

Summary of Fusion Center Capabilities

Note: Each COC is out of 20 points and each EC is out of 5 points.



Achievement of Capability Attributes

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COC 1: Receive

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to receive classified and unclassified information from federal partners

A critical step in the fusion process is the receipt of federal information (both unclassified and classified) that alerts state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) customers to threats relevant to their jurisdiction and/or region. Fusion centers receive classified and unclassified information directly from federal agencies through federal systems and portals established to support information sharing activities across the nation. Through the implementation of well-defined processes for receiving federal information, fusion centers can support law enforcement and homeland security partners in taking focused actions in response to threats. COC 1 is comprised of 5 attributes, worth **4 points each. The WVIFC has achieved 4 of these attributes.**



Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
5	4	20	16.0	80.0%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for the receipt of federally- generated threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a plan, policy or SOP that addresses the receipt and handling of NTAS alerts	No
3. Fusion center staff with a need to access classified information are cleared to at least the Secret level	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to HSDN and/or FBINet (i.e., within fusion center or on- site)	Yes
5. Fusion center has access to sensitive but unclassified information systems (e.g., HSIN, LEO, HS SLIC)	Yes

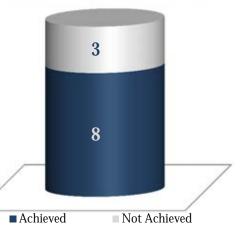
COC 2: Analyze

<u>**Definition**</u>: The ability to assess the local implications of threat information through the use of a formal risk assessment process

Fusion centers have the unique ability to overlay national intelligence with local, regional, and statewide information, and through analysis, develop timely and actionable intelligence products for their customers. Comprehensive analysis protocols and processes also enable fusion centers to optimize risk reduction efforts. During this step of the fusion process, fusion centers analyze information to identify threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, and provide local context to the national threat picture. COC 2 has 11 attributes, each worth 1.82 points. The WVIFC has achieved 8 of these attributes.



Number of Attributes Achieved



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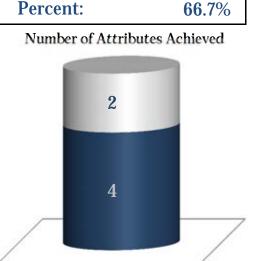
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
11	8	20	14.5	72.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies, or SOPs for assessing the local implications of time-sensitive and emerging threat information	Yes
2. Fusion center has a documented analytic production plan	No
3. Fusion center has access to multidisciplinary SMEs within its AOR to inform analytic production	Yes
4. Fusion center has access to other fusion centers' multidisciplinary SMEs outside of its state to inform analytic production, as required	Yes
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13.3

Achieved Not Achieved

COC Score:

Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes		Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
6	4	20	13.3	66.7%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the procedures for the timely dissemination of products to customers within its AOR	Yes
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Number of Attributes Achieved



Scoring and Statistics

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
8	5	20	12.5	62.5%

Attributes	Capability			
1. Fusion center has an approved NSI Site plan or an approved plans, policies or SOPs governing the gathering of locally generated information	Yes			
2. Fusion center has a tips and leads process	Yes			
3. Fusion center has a process for identifying and managing information needs	Yes			
4. Fusion center has a process for managing the gathering of locally-generated information to satisfy the fusion center's information needs	Yes			
5. Fusion center has approved Standing Information Needs (SINs)	No			
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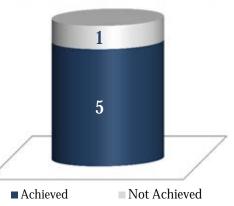
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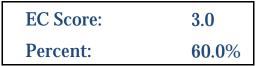
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Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a privacy policy determined by DHS to be at least as comprehensive as the ISE Privacy Guidelines	Yes
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Scoring and Statistics

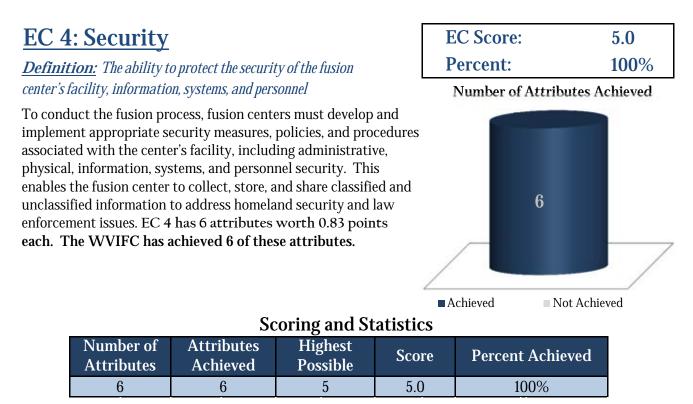
Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
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EC 3: Communications and **EC Score**: 1.7 **Outreach Percent:** 33.3% **Definition:** The ability to develop and execute a communications and Number of Attributes Achieved outreach plan By establishing and enhancing collaborative relationships with fusion center stakeholders, fusion centers can expand their customer base and enhance information flow with these partners. 2 Successful communications and outreach activities enable fusion centers to engage law enforcement, as well as multidisciplinary partners in the fusion process. The 3 attributes of EC 3 are worth 1.67 points. The WVIFC has achieved 1 of these attributes. 1 Achieved Not Achieved **Scoring and Statistics**

Number of Attributes	Attributes Achieved	Highest Possible	Score	Percent Achieved
3	1	5	1.7	33.3%

Attributes	Capability
1. Fusion center has a designated Public Information Officer or Public Affairs Officer	Yes
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