The Global Reference Architecture (GRA) was developed to facilitate interoperability and to assist in meeting other key requirements common in a complex government information sharing environment. In turn, and in order to achieve interoperability, GRA-conformant information sharing solutions are created and packaged into GRA Reference Service Specifications that can be customized to meet an individual organization’s needs. To that end, the GSC works to develop and maintain Global-sponsored reference services, and/or to review reference services nominated from external Global organizations for adoption as federal standards.

GSC Reference Service Standards for Approval

**Fingerprint Service**

- The purpose of this service is to provide positive identification or verification of the physical identity of an individual based on biometric information. Events such as an arrest, custodial intake, booking, arrangement, inmate transfer, etc., are typical instances in which positive identification or verification is required.

**Terrorist Screening Center (TSC) Encounter Information Service**

- This service will be used by state, regional, or U.S. government territory designated fusion centers to receive information regarding positive encounters from TSC. The encounter information received by designated fusion centers will be limited to positive encounters resulting from the hits by local law enforcement agencies on an extract of the Terrorist Watchlist. The service will also be used by TSC to send any changes of status or updates related to positive encounter information to the aforementioned fusion centers.

**Supervision Conditions Summary Service**

- This service provides a summary of supervision (e.g., probation and parole) conditions to which a specific person is subject. This capability enables exchange partners to quickly and efficiently perform assessments, determine whether a subject is in violation of any supervision conditions, and support decision making throughout the criminal justice system.
The GSC continues to utilize and employ agile task teams to accomplish its work.

**Harmonization Task Team**

» This team continues to identify and integrate all normative components and artifacts of the GRA, Global Federated Identity and Privilege Management (GFIPM), and technical privacy initiatives into a Global Standards Package (GSP). In addition, many of the same GSP artifacts have been incorporated into the new Global *Wizard* capability for the April 2012 launch (refer to Global Outreach Working Group briefing sheet).

**Global Justice/Health Services Task Team**

» This team has developed a comprehensive draft strategy to allow justice professionals to successfully use a known health standard to promote the secure exchange of health information. In addition, the team has created an accompanying draft document that outlines a number of tangible next steps and suggested stakeholder organizations that are well-positioned to deliver on suggested tasks.

**Federated Identity and Technical Privacy Task Team**

» This team has completed work on the following ten GFIPM standards. Five of these are first-time releases and will be offered to the Global Advisory Committee (GAC) for approval later this spring. All others have been previously approved by the GAC and are minor releases not requiring follow-on GAC attention at this time:

- GFIPM Web Services System-to-System Profile 1.0
- GFIPM Trusted Identity Broker Onboarding Guide 1.0

To assist service providers with their development efforts, a service development *guideline* was developed to promote efficiency and to reduce development costs. It is accompanied by a structured *Service Specification Package* that contains a series of templates useful to service providers and developers.

Therefore, the GSC also nominates the following for approval:

» GRA Service Specification Guideline
» GRA Service Specification Package (template service package)

### Recurring GSC Activities

- GFIPM Membership Documents 1.0
- GFIPM Federation Name Registration Process Doc 1.0
- GFIPM Member Certificate Policy Template 1.0
- GFIPM Web Browser User-to-System Profile 1.2
- GFIPM Cryptographic Trust Model 2.0
- GFIPM Governance Guidelines 1.1
- GFIPM Operational Policies and Procedures 1.1
- GFIPM Terminology Matrix 1.0.1

**Services Task Team**

» This team is currently reviewing ten reference service specifications for consideration as GRA-conformant standards. The GAC should expect to receive the following for approval throughout the remaining CY 2012:

- Arrest Warrant Information Exchanges
- Subject Contact Notice Information Exchange
- Person Information Availability Information Exchange
- Submit Suspicious Activity—Suspicious Activity Report Information Exchange
- Submit Suspicious Activity—Field Interview Report Information Exchange
- Request for Information Exchange
- Inmate Profile and Release Information Exchange
- Client Profile Information Exchange
- Prescription Monitoring Program Information Exchange
- Charging Information Exchange
New Collaboration Tool
The GSC chose an agile, cloud-based collaboration tool—the Global Workspace—to manage and orchestrate its standards-development activities and has been employing the capability since January 2012. Global Workspace not only serves the Global Standards Council as an internal collaboration tool but also permits public review of and comment on Global deliverables (when appropriate) in an efficient, effective, convenient, and structured manner, yielding a more complete and fully developed product. The GSC encourages other Global groups to consider employing Global Workspace for their collaborative activities as well.
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Upcoming Meetings

» Global Standards Council meeting, April 12, 2012, and monthly recurring virtual meetings

» GSC Task Teams: Recurring virtual meetings

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