

Call for Participation: IJIS Criminal Justice Data Quality (CJDQ) Working Group Submission
Deadline: September 1st, 2026

This Call for Participation (CFP) is an invitation for your involvement in the IJIS Institute's Criminal Justice Data Quality Working Group (CJDQ WG).

Working groups are constituted to provide input and recommendations to the Institute and its Collaboration Network made up of public and private sector partners within the justice domain and across the nation on specific topical areas related to a single long-term project or initiative. All Members are welcome to serve on any committee, and committee leadership ideally constitutes representatives from both the public and private sector to provide a balanced perspective on the areas of interest.

Interested participants should send a copy of their resume and a letter of interest to James Hubbell at James.Hubbell@ijis.org by the close of business on **September 1st, 2026**.

The Mission of CJDQ Working Group:

The IJIS CJDQ Working Group, under the guidance of the IJIS Institute's Criminal Justice Information Systems (CJIS) Advisory Committee, addresses the issues that criminal justice and public safety agencies and solution providers face regarding data quality. Criminal justice agencies collect significant amounts of data daily in their information systems (in-house or commercial-of-the-shelf (COTS)). This data is often entered manually by multiple users, which leads to data inaccuracies in the systems of record and any other associated systems. This is often caused by a high number of incidents reported, typographical errors during manual data entry, data duplications, shortages of resources within the agencies, and lack of training. Also, as the data gets shared with other CJIS partners manually or automatically without validations, further data entry errors can occur, resulting in more inaccuracies for data stored in systems of records. As a result, data shared across the Criminal Justice enterprise, draft and final report generation, research and analytics, and/or operational responses lose validity as well as reliability. The CJDQ working group enables collaboration amongst partners to improve data quality, data sharing, and actionable, data-driven insights.

The CJDQ WG examines data quality issues across the Criminal Justice enterprise and develops guidance to address them by leveraging Data Science and Data Management Principles. Doing so will allow Criminal Justice enterprises to ensure data is accurate, compliant with rules and regulations, secure, available when needed, and providing valuable insights for forecasting and prediction.

Objectives of Working Group:

The CJDQ WG ensures it is agency/corporate-neutral in all its activities and work products by providing best practices and standards-based information, such as the National Information Exchange Model (NIEM), related to the field of Data Science and Data Management Principles.¹ These products can be used by executives, practitioners, technologists in government, industry, national practice associations, and research/academic organizations as they develop strategies to address Criminal Justice Data Management issues including data quality. The CJDQ WG will achieve these goals via work products, including white papers, position papers,

¹ See <https://public.dhe.ibm.com/software/analytics/spss/documentation/modeler/14.2/es/CRISP-DM.pdf> and <https://dama.org/about-dama/what-is-data-management/> for examples of data science and data management principles.

technology/standards/architecture reviews, webinar sessions, conference presentations, convening roundtables and summits, and social media outreach. The working group, in the short term, will focus on ***developing educational materials around the use of Data Science and Data Management principles*** within Justice and Public Safety. These education materials will include a one-page primer that can be used by executives and a white paper with more details around these two fields.

Working Group Composition and Member Responsibilities:

The CJDQ WG will be composed of a chairperson, a vice-chairperson, a secretary, and working group members from IJIS Institute member organizations, alliance partners, government associates, and academia. Any individual who has skills and experience that will assist the CJDQ WG in achieving its identified mission in this effort or maintains an interest in this dynamic and important subject area is welcome to join by submitting a response to the regular calls for participation issued by the working group. All IJIS committees have monthly conference calls.

To maintain membership in the committee, members are required to attend 8 of the 10 scheduled calls each year, attend a minimum of one of the two scheduled in-person meetings each year, and coordinate and produce work products which may consist of white papers, webinar sessions, conference presentations, convening roundtables and summits, and/or social media outreach.

Participation Requirements and Skills Needed:

The IJIS Institute seeks practitioners and industry representatives who are operational experts and/or IT professionals uniquely qualified to identify analytical and operational challenges. Applicants should have (1) direct experience as data analysts or data scientists of criminal justice data or (2) experience providing technical assistance or support improving criminal justice data.

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