Embracing the Spirit of the Compact
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Role of Commission, Commissioner & DCA

**Commission**
- Promulgate rules & enforce compliance to achieve the purpose of the compact

**Commissioner**
- Represent state in Commission
- Ensure adequate resources, work w/ state officials to enact policy/legislation change

**DCA**
- Manages day to day
- Coordinates activities & act as resources for stakeholders
- Ensure compliance
- Communicate needs to Commissioner
### What is a DCA?

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<td>› Ensure your state is compliant</td>
<td>› Act as resource and main point of contact for all stakeholders (supervising agencies, courts, jails, etc.)</td>
<td>› Communicate and work out issues with other states</td>
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<td>› Administate ICOTS Users &amp; Compact Office Staff</td>
<td>› Keep Commissioner apprised of compact related issues &amp; ask for assistance when needed</td>
<td>› Participate in trainings &amp; discussions</td>
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<td>› Manage Workflow</td>
<td>› Establish procedures to ensure compact fits into supervision requirements</td>
<td>› Resolve conflict with internal stakeholders &amp; other states</td>
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## Importance of Commissioner/DCA Relationship

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<td>› Keep the commissioner informed of the workflow and compliance of the ICAOS operations</td>
<td>› Create communication opportunities</td>
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<td>› Elevate compact issues (non-compliance, internal/external communication, etc.) that cannot be resolved to the commissioner</td>
<td>› Relay problems/concerns to state council or agency leaders to reach resolution</td>
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<td>› Be mindful of the compliance of its state &amp; ICAOS rules</td>
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Interstate Compact Offices

- Administers the Compact
- Point of contact for case specific questions
- Conducts training
- Resolves issues with other states
- Ensures rule compliance
- Develops & recommends in-state ISC operating procedures to State Council

ICAOS Directory [https://www.interstatecompact.org/regions-states](https://www.interstatecompact.org/regions-states)
How long have you been in your DCA Role?

1. Less than a Year
2. 1-3 Years
3. 3-5 Years
4. 5+ Years

- 50% Less than a Year
- 13% 3-5 Years
- 38% 5+ Years
When dealing with a difficult case, in what order do you complete the following steps? (Final)

1. Read case
2. Speak to user
3. Seek guidance from fellow DCA
4. Call DCA in other state
5. Meet with Commissioner
6. Contact National Office
Spirit of the Compact means.....(select all that apply)

1. Doing the right thing for the right reason  
2. Rejecting because you can/rules allow  
3. Ensure decisions are made adhering to the purposes of the compact

- Doing the right thing for the right reason: 43%  
- Rejecting because you can/rules: 21%  
- Ensure decisions are made adhering to the purposes of the compact: 36%
Working Together in Spirit of the Compact