

**Nebraska Information Technology Commission
Technical Panel**

**Network Architecture Work Group
Charter**

Purpose	Make recommendations to the Technical Panel on all matters relating to the state's network architecture.
Sponsor	Brenda Decker, DAS - Division of Communications
Scope / Boundaries	Section 3 of the Statewide Technology Plan establishes a state enterprise architecture framework to provide guidance on various aspects of the state's technical environment. The network architecture -- one element of this framework -- defines and provides guidance for the communications infrastructure and issues relating to interconnectivity of systems. This includes physical and logical network topologies as well as the software protocols that enable all the devices to interoperate with one another. The work group should follow the outline of the network architecture contained in the Statewide Technology Plan.
Desired Goals and Outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review and revise the "scope" of the network architecture. • Review and revise the "principles" for the network architecture. • Identify "best practices" for the network architecture. • Recommend "standards and guidelines" for the network architecture.
Authority	<p>This work group will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Make recommendations to the Technical Panel regarding the network architecture, including: scope; principles; best practices; and standards and guidelines. • Identify problems and issues related to the technical environment. <p>Decisions on proposed recommendations will be determined by a vote of the members.</p>
Membership	Any member of one of the NITC Councils or Technical Panel may participate on the work group, with permission of the sponsor. Membership shall include representatives from the following entities: State agencies (HHS, Roads, Labor, NET, NDE, IMServices, IDSD); Education (University of Nebraska, State Colleges, Community Colleges, ESUs); and Others (NOL). The sponsor of the work group may solicit membership from other entities to provide additional perspectives and information.
Reporting	The sponsor of the work group will report to the Technical Panel as needed.
Timeframe	This work group will continue in existence until this charter is repealed.

Adopted by the Technical Panel on April 11, 2000