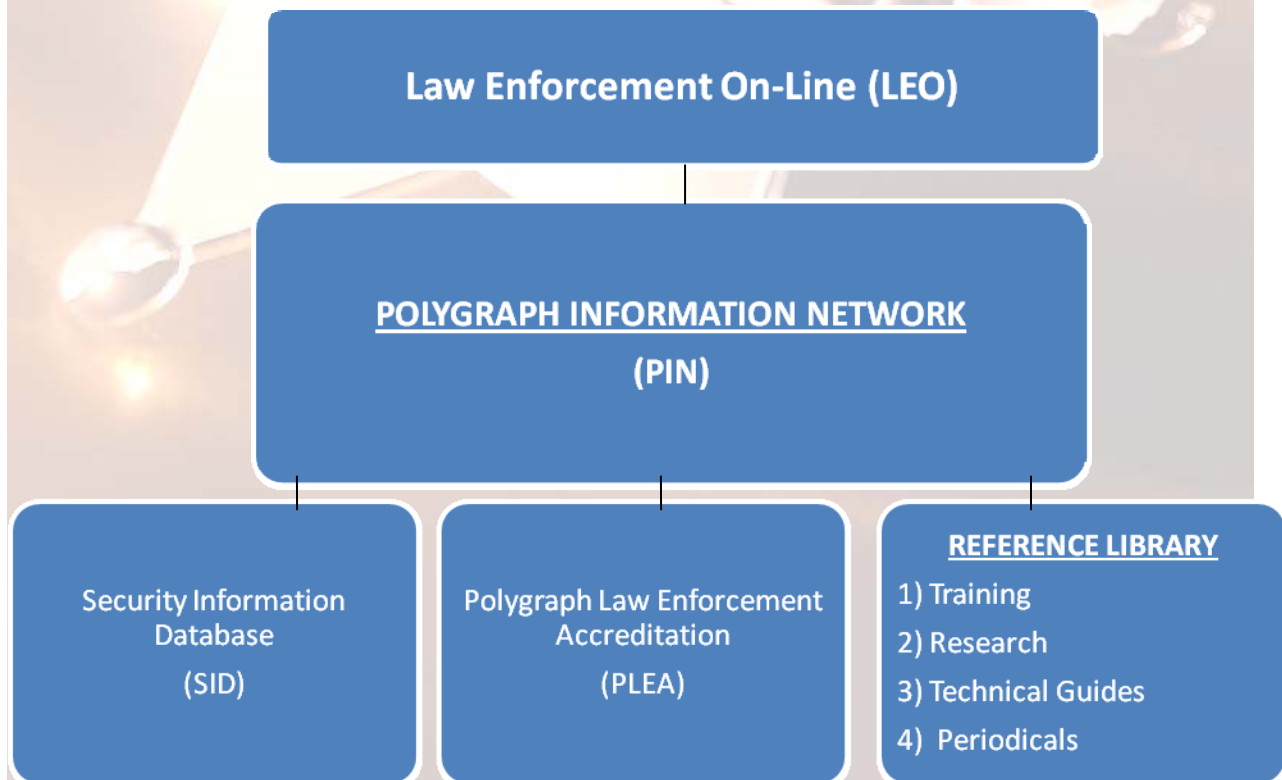# POLYGRAPH INFORMATION NETWORK

OVERVIEW

The Polygraph Information Network (PIN) is a national forum designed to collect, analyze and share substantive security related information between federal, state, and local law enforcement (LE) and intelligence community (IC) agencies. Under the auspices of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), the PIN is designed to standardize LE polygraph procedures to ensure the information collected in the Security Information Database (SID) can be considered reliable. To accomplish this goal, three elements have been established with the PIN:

1) The Security Information Database (SID) collects, analyzes and disseminates substantive security related information.

2) The Polygraph Law Enforcement Accreditation (PLEA) program standardizes polygraph procedures and provides accreditation of participating LE agencies.

3) The Polygraph Reference Library identifies available DACA polygraph training and technical information of interest to polygraph examiners addressing a myriad of topics.

Law Enforcement On-Line (LEO)

POLYGRAPH INFORMATION NETWORK (PIN)

Security Information Database (SID)	Polygraph Law Enforcement Accreditation (PLEA)	**REFERENCE LIBRARY** 1) Training 2) Research 3) Technical Guides 4) Periodicals

Law Enforcement personnel assigned to participating agencies may participate in any or all PIN activities. For more information please refer to Page 3 of this Overview.

Security Information Database (SID)

Under the auspices of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), the Security Information Database (SID) is currently being developed[1] to serve as a national repository for substantive intelligence gleaned from polygraph examinations conducted within the federal, state, and local law enforcement communities. The information collected for the SID involves significant admissions made to law enforcement officials during polygraph examinations. The SID has been established as a Special Interest Group (SIG) within the Law Enforcement Online (LEO) internet portal. This password controlled web-site allows law enforcement and counterintelligence professionals to share substantive information provided to the SID. The objective of the system is to strengthen and improve government information sharing.

Polygraph Law Enforcement Accreditation (PLEA) Program

Accreditation through the PLEA program will ensure LE agencies that their polygraph programs are employing standardized practices that provide a level of service that is ethical, professional, and offers reliable results to the jurisdictions served. The polygraph standards adopted by PLEA have been validated through research, are taught at DACA, and are consistent with the polygraph practices in use since 1996 by the federal government. The PLEA program is managed by local, state and federal polygraph examiners and the inspections are conducted by volunteer subject matter experts using procedures mandated in the PLEA Manual of Inspections. To undergo the PLEA inspection, an agency must agree to comply with the standards detailed in the "Polygraph Guide for Standards and Practices" and formally request to undergo the PLEA inspection process. Federal agencies that choose to participate in the PLEA program must be a member of the PIN and be in compliance with federal polygraph standards as detailed in the Department of Defense quality assurance oversight program.

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[1] Projected completion date is December 31, 2010

Polygraph Reference Library

The reference library of the PIN website is a polygraph clearinghouse containing technical information pertaining to the polygraph discipline. The library is divided into three categories:

1) Training:
   a. Classroom: DACA conducted or sponsored training that is available to state and local law enforcement agencies that participate in the PIN/Joint Terrorism Task Force (JTTF). This training is provided regionally throughout the U.S. wherein a federal, state or local agency has elected to sponsor a DACA course for JTTF or PIN members. The training is available to LE examiners at minimal or no cost. Over 300 examiners a year receive advanced state-of-the-art training through these courses.
   b. e-learning: Through the LEO portal, the PIN and DACA offers unmoderated and self-paced training modules involving advanced state-of-the-art polygraph training.

2) Reference Materials: The following is posted on this site:
   a. Articles from periodicals that relate to topics of interest to polygraph examiners.
   b. Credibility Assessment research articles and studies involving contemporary issues or are historical in nature.
   c. Legal and law enforcement issues relating to credibility assessment emanating from federal and state courts.

3) Technical Guides: Manuals, policies and procedures detailing the manner in which polygraph procedures are conducted. Process and procedures adopted by the PLEA program as well as other questioning formats with which polygraph examiners might wish to be familiar.

PIN MEMBERSHIP

1. The initial step in participating in the PIN is to gain access to the LEO web-site: www.leo.gov. At this site there is a link near the bottom of the page labeled: "Click Here to Download the LEO User Application". At this site you will need to fill out the application and fax the application to the number provided. LEO personnel will process your application within 7-10 working days.

2. While waiting for LEO personnel to process your application you should contact one of the following PIN representatives depending upon your interests:

   For information relating to:

   Security Information Database

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   Office: 202-324-5687
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   Polygraph Law Enforcement Accreditation

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   Gary Light – (803) 751-9120; e-mail - lightg@daca.mil
   James Hall - (803) 751-9145; e-mail - hallj@daca.mil

   Polygraph Reference Library

   Johnny Rodgerson – (803) 751- 9143; e-mail – rodgersonj@daca.mil

3. Once approved by LEO, you will receive an e-mail message providing instructions to set-up your LEO account. If you do not receive an e-mail message within 10 working days, you can contact the LEO Help Desk at (888) 334-4LEO (4536).

4. Once your entry into LEO is approved you will need to contact Ms. Rachel Ardohain, at the address listed above to gain approval to enter the PIN site. Ms. Ardohain will coordinate your request.