

Lionel Cares grew up in Waban one of the 14 Villages of Newton Massachusetts. After graduating High School in 1991 he attend University of Denver for about a year. After realizing that University of Denver would not give him room to expand he transferred and completed a Bachelor of Arts in Communications from the University of Maryland at College Park in 1995.

When Lionel was at the University of Maryland he was one of the original student employees on the Information for Maryland (INFORM) project. Leading him to work for a short time at the White House in the late summer of 1995. Then started his career with an Information Technology Company working for the Department of Justice as an Information Technology Specialist contractor working on Webpage Development, Firewall Security and User Experience management. Lionel continued this work until April 1998 when he was hired into the Federal Workforce as an Information Technology Specialist.

In April 1998 he was hired by the Department of Justice/Office of Justice Programs managing multi-million dollar projects. Serving as a Project Manager on the Grants Management System, Grants Payment Request System and Account Access Management efforts. Utilizing his depth of understanding in the Project Management Institute (PMI) and Program Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK) approaches to ensure success in every engagement. Apply strong technical disciplines when interacting with vendor teams, ensuring preservation of the government's best interest. Consistently coordinate with contract authorities to ensure that all contractual objectives are being met, and challenge contractor teams to delivery better, faster, and cheaper in meeting government objectives.

Lionel has been responsible for projects ranging from Grantee Access to Account Management Automation efforts. Over the last 4 years Lionel has been responsible for managing the multimillion dollar Federal Identity Credential and Access Management effort for the Office of Justice Programs. As a result of his management and technical skill, this solution utilizes web based interfaces and supports industry standard approaches for solution development and integration, with user-centric architectures and designs, and mobile platform capable. To maintain full alignment with Federal standards (e.g., FIPS 201-1/2, OMB M-11-11, etc.), managed multiple work streams of activity across the Agency and within their own team, which has required complex task and schedule management, enterprise level coordination and communication, and consensus building.

Lionel is an active member of the Identity Ecosystem Steering Group (IDESG) as an Alternative Representative for the Department of Justice. He participates in the

Policy and Standards Committee and is currently in charge of the Interoperability Requirements Ad Hoc Group.

In his private life, Lionel is an active member of the Sigma Chi International Fraternity serving as an Alumni Chapter President and Social Chair. He currently is the Chapter Advisor for the Chapter at Bucknell University in Lewisburg PA and is an active facilitator for the 10 year old Mission 365 recruitment program. Lionel is married with no children but considers the undergraduates as his children whom he watches over and mentors sometimes on a daily basis.

His personal objective is effectively and efficiently plan, develop, and execute programs to achieve mission goals and objectives, and leverage wherever possible his subject matter expertise in physical and local access control systems, procedures, and guidelines that ensure safety and security of federal programs.