

# Our History

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- In 2009, the Personnel Security Investigation Center of Excellence began as a pilot located on Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Maryland. The focus was to prove the benefits of centralization and standardization of processing background investigations.
- In April 2010, the Personnel Security Investigation Center of Excellence pilot successfully concluded and became an official government organization within the Department of the Army.
- In June 2011, the Personnel Security Investigation Center of Excellence expanded its customer base and began to process background investigations for US Army Reserve and National Guard soldiers.
- In January 2012, the Personnel Security Investigation Center of Excellence reached a full operating capability by integrating the US Army Recruiting Command into its quality review process.
- In July 2014, the Personnel Security Investigation Center of Excellence partnered with the HQDA, DCS, G-1 to implement a Childcare Suitability Screening Pilot. The pilot was a proof-of-concept to demonstrate centralized screening services were effective and efficient.
- In July 2015, the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) requested the assistance of the Personnel Security Investigation Center of Excellence to test security enhancements on the Electronic Questionnaire (e-QIP) application to ensure its viability for use by all federal agencies.
- In 2015, the Personnel Security Investigation Center of Excellence successfully completed the Childcare Suitability Pilot and transitioned the pilot efforts to the HQDA, DCS, G-1 for Army-wide expansion.
- In 2015, Personnel Security Investigation Center of Excellence partnered with the Defense Manpower Data Center (DMDC) to provide the Army with a centralized web-based fingerprint system, known as SWFT+/BioSP, used to digitally collect fingerprints necessary for running a background investigation.
- In 2016, Personnel Security Investigation Center of Excellence partnered with the US Air Force, US Navy, the Defense Security Services (DSS) and the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) to improve background investigation timeliness.