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NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF JUSTICE PANEL RAISES VISIBILITY OF THE DARK WEB AND IDENTIFIES THE NEED FOR TOOLS TO POLICE IT

WASHINGTON – The Office of Justice Programs’ National Institute of Justice today released an article summarizing the results of an NIJ-supported workshop of experts from federal, state and local agencies, academic researchers and civil rights advocates who looked at ways to raise the visibility of the dark web among law enforcement agencies and identify tools that can help them police it.

The dark web is an encrypted part of the internet that allows users to engage anonymously in illicit activity and criminal commerce involving such contraband as opioids and other drugs, bomb parts, weapons large and small, child pornography, social security numbers and criminal acts for hire.

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