

## GTL Releases Virtual Reality Platform for Corrections

Proprietary VR headset and educational content bring real world experiences to inmates

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**Reston, Virginia – July 10, 2017** – <u>GTL</u>, an innovation leader in correctional technology, education solutions that assist in rehabilitating inmates, and payment services solutions for government, today announced that it has built a virtual reality platform for corrections that will be piloted with an inmate control group. The proprietary system consists of a virtual reality headset, a learning management system, and educational content designed to bring real world experiences to inmates incarcerated in jails and prisons.

"I believe the most important use for this technology is simulating difficult situations for inmates that they must work through on their own, while still having a safety net," said Dr. Turner Nashe, GTL Senior Vice President of Educational Services. "An inmate with anger issues could be placed in a situation where they must deal with that emotion. There would still be controls to manage the situation if the inmate's anger gets out of control. They can also continually work through their issues until they are able to control their reactions."

GTL's virtual reality content could also be used to:

- Provide educational content in an immersive, engaging way
- Help inmates in solitary confinement feel less isolated
- Help inmates control phobias or conditions such as post-traumatic stress disorder
- Teach vocational skills such as plumbing and carpentry
- Virtually travel to different places around the world
- Simulate real-life scenarios (such as a family dispute) in a safe environment
- Combat boredom and promote a safer facility environment by offering games and other entertainment options

"The possibilities are exciting," continued Dr. Nashe. "<u>Virtual reality</u> provides the ability to positively influence an inmate before re-entry. It's a great way to better help inmates reintegrate in society."

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## **About GTL**

GTL leads the fields of correctional technology, education, and government payment services with visionary solutions and customized products that integrate seamlessly to deliver security, financial value, and ease of operation for its customers and aid in rehabilitation and the reduction of recidivism rates for inmates. As a trusted industry leader, GTL provides services to 32 state departments of corrections, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Federal Bureau of Prisons, and 79 of the 100 largest city/county facilities, including 40 of the top 50, which comprise 1.8 million inmates nationwide. To learn more about GTL, please visit www.gtl.net or our social media sites on Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn and YouTube.