



Information Assurance (IA) – Organize for Success

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Agenda

Overview of IA Policy

Roles & Responsibilities

Implication of FISMA

Risk Management Framework

Recommendation

DoD Policy for IA

- Security Integrated into Life Cycle Development
- Organize and Manage Systems in Categories
- Incorporated into Investment Portfolios
- Monitor, Report, & Evaluate as an Element of Mission Readiness
- Assign Systems a Mission Assurance Category
- Systems will be Certified & Accredited
- Detect, Isolate, & React to Intrusions, Disruption of Services, or other Incidents
- Train & Certify All Personnel
- Appoint a DAA

Organizational Responsibilities for IA

- DARPA to Coordinate all DoD IA Research and Technology Initiatives with NSA (in coordinate with DDR&E)
- Develop & implement an IA program
- Collect & Report IA Management, Financial, and Readiness Data to Meet DoD Internal or External Reporting Requirements
- Formally Establish a DAA
- Identify & Include IA Requirements in the Design, Acquisition, Installation, Operation, Upgrade or Replacement
- Ensure Awareness, Training, Education, & Professionalization
- Comply with Established Accreditation & Connection Approval Processes

Roles & Responsibilities

- Designated Certification & Accreditation
- Authorizing Official
- Chief Information Officer
- Senior Information Security Officer (CISO)
- Information System Owner
- Information Owner
- Information System Security Officer (ISSO)
- Privileged Users with IA Responsibilities
- Authorized Users

Other Responsibilities

- Lead for Program, Plan, & Budget
- Conducting Risk Management
- Formulizing Decisions and Authority for Risk Acceptance
- Making Security Decisions Based on Mission Assurance and Resiliency
- Implementing a Governance Structure
- System and Information Owners
- Business and Functional Owners
- Complying and Reporting in Accordance with FISMA

Basic Requirements of FISMA

Establish Roles & Responsibilities

- Agency Head
- CIO
- Agency Security Officer

Define Security Program

1. Risk assessments
2. C&A assessments
3. System services & acquisition
4. Security plans
5. Configuration Mgt.
6. Systems & Communications Protection
7. Personnel Security
8. Awareness Training
9. Physical & Environmental Protection
10. Media Protections
11. Contingency Planning
12. Maintenance
13. System & Information Integrity
14. Incident Response
15. Identification & Authentication
16. Access Control
17. Accountability & Audit

Perform Annual Security Reviews

- Determine sufficiency of security program
- Independent Evaluation (e.g., IG)
- Safeguard evaluation data

Provide Annual Reporting

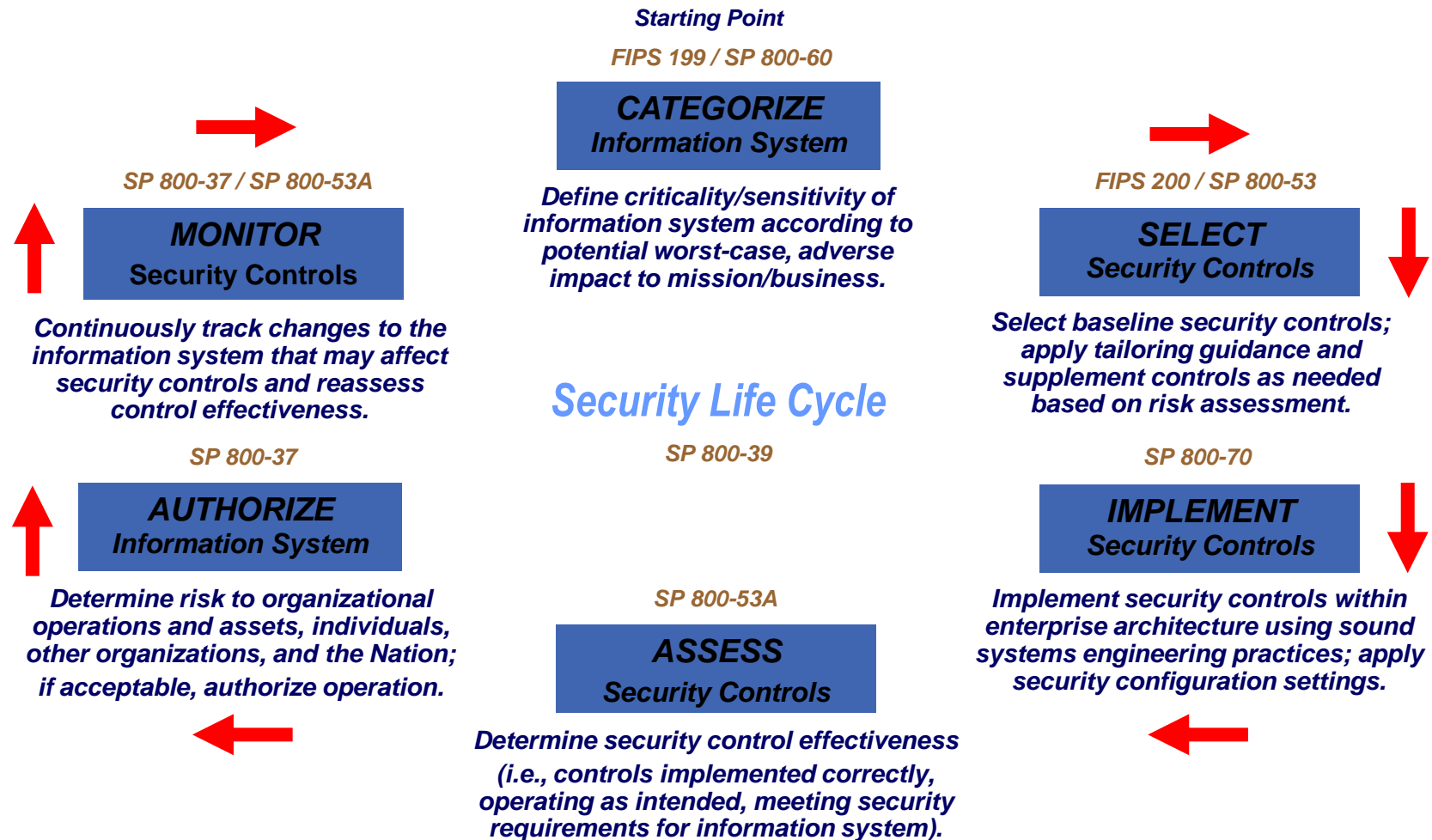
- Reports from CIO & IG
- Report material weaknesses
- Provide performance plans

Compliance

An Effective Information Security Program will:

- Conduct periodic assessments of risk from unauthorized access, use, disclosure, disruption, modification, or destruction of information and information systems
- Contain policies and procedures that are based on risk assessments, cost-effectively reduce information security risks to an acceptable level
- Subordinate plans for providing adequate information security for networks, facilities, information systems, or groups of information systems, as appropriate
- Perform security awareness training to inform personnel (including contractors) of information security risks associated with their activities and their responsibilities in complying with organizational policies
- Conduct periodic testing and evaluation of the effectiveness of information security policies, procedures, practices, and security controls to be performed with a frequency depending on risk, but no less than annually
- Establish a process for planning, implementing, evaluating, and documenting remedial actions to address any deficiencies in the information security policies, procedures, and practices of the organization
- Implement procedures for detecting, reporting, and responding to security incidents
- Provide plans and procedures to ensure continuity of operations for information systems that support the operations and assets of the organization

Risk Management Framework*



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Organize to Manage

- **Agency Executive Leadership**
 - Commitment
 - Assigning Responsibility
 - Budget
- **CIO**
 - Key Executive Sponsor for IA
 - Program Oversight and Assessment
 - Advisor to Agency Executive Team on IA
- **CISO**
 - Designated by CIO and Key Leadership
 - Works with Stakeholders on Cross-Cutting IA issues
 - Single Point of Accountability for IA
 - Coordinates the Risk Management Program
 - Establishes and Maintains Intuitional IA Framework
 - Tracks and Develops Compliance

Options for Governance Structure

Centralized

- CIO/CISO has budget control
- Manages all Security Practitioners in the orgs
- Implement & monitor throughout organization

Decentralized

- CIO/CISO are policy & oversight
- Budget control for program but not operations
- Security Practitioners throughout orgs implement & monitor

Governance Challenges

- **De-Conflicting Priorities**
- **Balancing Requirements From Multiple Bodies**
- **Determining Policy – Who, How Stringent**
- **Maintaining Currency**
- **Funding Decisions**
- **Ownership of Issues**
- **Incident Management & Response**
- **Responsibilities for FISMA & Other Reports**

Recommendation

- **Initiative an IA Organization Review**
 - Reference Policy and Mandates
 - Appoint a Lead
- **State Goals of the Initiative**
 - Make short term
 - No boundaries
- **Focus On Key Drivers**
 - Governance
 - Mission Support
 - Integrate element of mission
- **Identify Risk to Business**
 - Identify Gaps
- **Define Program of Record**
 - Plan of Action & Milestone (POA&M)



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