### CYBERSECURITY AND INFRASTRUCTURE SECURITY AGENCY

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## The Nation's Risk Advisors

The Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) is the pinnacle of national risk management for cyber and physical infrastructure





### Focused on Critical

#### Infrastructure

**Critical infrastructure** 

refers to the assets, systems, and networks, whether cyber or physical, so vital to the Nation that their incapacitation or destruction would have a debilitating effect on national security, the economy, public health or safety, and our way of life.



#### **Cybersecurity Advisor Program**

**CISA mission**: Lead the Nation's efforts to understand and manage risk to our critical infrastructure.

In support of that mission: Cybersecurity Advisors (CSAs):

- Assess: Evaluate critical infrastructure cyber risk.
- Promote: Encourage best practices and risk mitigation strategies.
- Build: Initiate, develop capacity, and support cyber communities-of-interest and working groups.
- Educate: Inform and raise awareness.
- Listen: Collect stakeholder requirements.
- Coordinate: Bring together incident support and lessons learned.



#### CISA Insights – 18 MAR 2020 – COVID-19

- Risk Management for Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)
- This product is for executives to help them think through physical, supply chain, and cybersecurity issues that may arise from the spread of Novel Coronavirus, or COVID-19.
- What's in this guide:
  - Actions for Infrastructure Protection
  - Actions for your Supply Chain
  - Cybersecurity for Organizations
  - Cybersecurity Actions for your Workforce and Consumers
- To stay current with CISA's efforts regarding the COVID-19, visit: cisa.gov/coronavirus.

#### CISA Insights – 18 MAR 2020 – COVID-19

- CISA's view on essential workers
- Telework Guidance
- COVID-19 Cyber Alert
- Visit the CDC website, or contact CDC for COVID-19-related issues or to share critical and timely information by sending an email to eocjiclead2@cdc.gov and eocjictriage2@cdc.gov or by calling 1-800-232-4636



#### Resilience Emerges From What You Do

- Consider your health.
  - How do you become healthy?
  - Can you buy good health?
  - Can you "manufacture" good health?
- You can't buy it in a product.
- Good health and resilience are both emergent properties.
- They develop or emerge from what we do.





#### Criticality of Periodic Assessments

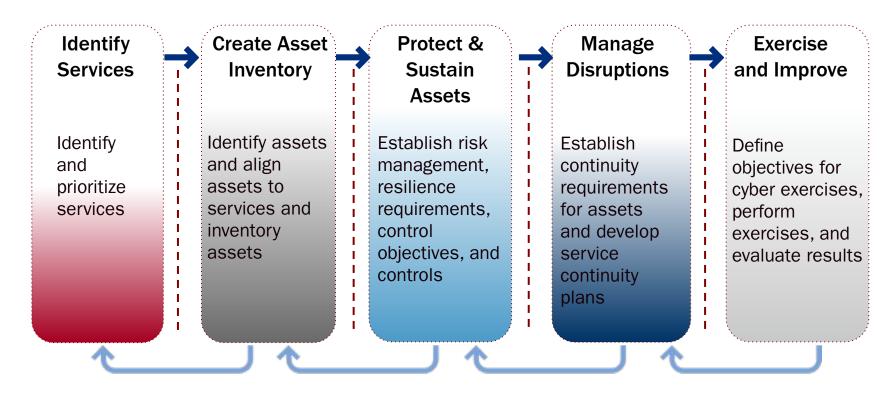
- Periodic assessments are essential for resilience, helping you:
  - Measure your cybersecurity efforts
  - Manage improvements over time





#### **Working toward Cyber Resilience**

Follow a framework or general approach to cyber resilience. One successful approach includes:



**Process Management and Improvement** 



#### Sampling of Cybersecurity Offerings

#### **Preparedness Assistance:**

#### Cybersecurity Advisors

- Advisory Services
- Assessments
- Working group collaboration
- Best Practices
- Incident assistance coordination

#### Protective Security Advisors

- Assessments
- Incident liaisons between government and private sector
- Support for National Special Security Events





#### Range of Cybersecurity Assessments (Voluntary & No-Cost to You)





TECHNICAL (Network-Administrator Level)



# BEST PRACTI ORS YOUR OWN LUCK!



Leadership Must OWN the Issue

Be Prepared –
Assess & EXERCISE

Good Cyber Hygiene Protect Crown Jewels
- Blocking & Tackling

Defend & Continue to Operate

Risk Management – What Can I Accept?

Balance Security, Mission and Privacy Leverage Relationships

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