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CYBER SECURITY ENGINEER

DLP | AIP | PURVIEW | O365 | CLOUD SECURITY

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👤 ABOUT ME

I am a Cybersecurity professional with a strong technical foundation and over 04+ years of expertise in Microsoft technologies. My specialized skills encompass Microsoft Data Loss Prevention (DLP), Azure Information Protection (AIP) and Microsoft Security and Compliance Center.

In the domain of Microsoft Data Loss Prevention, I excel in formulating and implementing intricate policies to prevent unauthorized data disclosure. My technical proficiency extends to configuring Azure Information Protection policies, ensuring robust protection for critical cloud-based data. Leveraging Microsoft Purview, I have honed my expertise in elevating threat detection and response capabilities, proactively mitigating risks within cloud applications.
Within email security, my technical acumen shines through the implementation of advanced defenses against phishing, malware and diverse threats.

The Security and Compliance Center is a platform where my skills are showcased through streamlined audits, meticulous data governance management and enforcement of robust security policies.

Certified in various Microsoft certifications, I am dedicated to continuous technical advancement, ensuring that my skill set remains cutting-edge in the rapidly evolving cybersecurity landscape. My technical proficiency, strategic mindset, and collaborative approach make me a valuable asset to any organization seeking a cybersecurity professional capable of driving excellence in a dynamic technical environment.

🏅 CERTIFICATIONS

- Microsoft 365 Copilot
- Microsoft Generative AI
- Microsoft Certified: SC-400
- Microsoft Certified: SC-200
- Microsoft Certified: SC-900
- Microsoft Certified: AZ-500
- Microsoft Certified: AZ-900
- Microsoft Certified: MS-900

🤖 TECHNOLOGY & SKILLS

- Microsoft Purview
- Data Loss Prevention - Microsoft DLP
- Azure Information Protection
- Data Classification, Sensitive Labels
- Email Protection and Encryption
- DLP Policy creation
- Policy tips and notifications
- Alerts and Incident management
- Automatic content detection
- Real-time policy enforcement
- Integration with Microsoft 365
- Policy overrides and exceptions
- Endpoint DLP and Network DLP
- Policy conditions, actions and exceptions
- Encryption and data protection
- Policy testing and simulation
- Microsoft labels management
- Label-based policy enforcement
- Automatic label application
- EDM, Trainable Classifiers, Fingerprinting
- PCI-DSS / GDPR / PII / HIPAA Data Governance
- O365 Security & Compliance Management

🗂 WORK HISTORY

COGNIZANT TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS : DEC 2021 – SEP 2023

Senior Process Executive (Cyber Security & Threat Services)

Microsoft L2 Consulting Specialist with subject matter expertise implementing security controls and threat protection, managing and protecting sensitive data in endpoint and cloud environments as part of an end-to-end infrastructure.

- **DLP Policy Implementation**: Developed and implemented Microsoft DLP policies to safeguard sensitive data across Microsoft 365 applications, including Exchange Online, SharePoint Online, and OneDrive for Business.
- **Custom Sensitive Information Types and Labels**: Configured custom sensitive information types (SITs) and labels tailored to company-specific data protection requirements.
- **Compliance Management**: Conducted regular audits and assessments to ensure compliance with industry regulations such as GDPR and HIPAA, utilizing built-in compliance templates.
- **Cross-Functional Collaboration**: Collaborated with cross-functional teams to integrate DLP policies with Microsoft Teams, enabling real-time monitoring and enforcement of data security within chat and channel communications.
- **Incident Response and Investigation**: Managed incident response and investigation workflows using the Microsoft 365 Security & Compliance Center, effectively mitigating data breaches and minimizing organizational risk.
- **End-User Training and Support**: Provided hands-on training and support to end-users and administrators on DLP policy best practices and usage of policy tips and notifications.
- **Continuous Policy Optimization**: Optimized DLP policies through continuous evaluation and refinement, reducing false positives and enhancing overall effectiveness in preventing data loss incidents.
- **Integration with Azure Information Protection**: Leveraged Azure Information Protection for seamless integration with DLP policies, ensuring consistent data classification and labeling across the organization's digital assets.
- **Endpoint Data Protection**: Collaborated with the IT security team to implement endpoint data protection measures, including encryption and device management, to safeguard sensitive data on employee devices.
- **Compliance Reporting and Dashboards**: Generated comprehensive compliance reports and dashboards, presenting key metrics and insights to senior management for informed decision-making and strategic planning.

Process Executive (Cyber Security & Threat Services)

DLP (Data Loss Prevention) and AIP (Azure Information Protection) security engineer with focus on preventing data loss incidents, classifying and protecting sensitive data within an organization. Possessing strong technical skills, knowledge of industry best practices, and the ability to work with other IT and security teams to implement effective data protection strategies.

- Design and implement data loss prevention policies and strategies securing PII/sensitive data.
- Configure and manage DLP policies to detect and prevent data loss incidents.
- Conduct regular risk assessments to identify potential threats to data.
- Design and implement policies and procedures for classifying, labeling, and protecting data.
- Configure and manage AIP Label policies to apply classification and protection labels to sensitive data.
- Investigate and respond to data loss incidents.
- Provide training and awareness to employees on data security best practices.
- Monitor the effectiveness of DLP and AIP controls, fine tuning and generate reports on key metrics

DLP ENGINEER (FREELANCE) : JUL 2019 - NOV 2021

Technical Support Engineer

Microsoft Technical Support Engineer specializing in Data Loss Prevention (DLP) and Azure Information Protection (AIP), provided expert technical assistance and guidance to ensure seamless deployment and ongoing support for our customer's data security needs.

- Provide technical support for DLP and AIP solutions to Microsoft customers.
- Troubleshoot and resolve technical issues related to DLP policy configuration, incident investigation, and AIP labeling.
- Conduct customer education sessions and workshops on DLP and AIP capabilities and best practices.
- Assist customers in configuring and optimizing DLP policies to meet their data protection and compliance requirements.
- Lead incident response efforts for escalated DLP and AIP-related issues, coordinating with internal teams and stakeholders.
- Maintain a knowledge base of known issues, troubleshooting steps, and best practices for DLP and AIP support.
- Assist customers in achieving and maintaining compliance with industry regulations and standards through effective DLP and AIP implementation.
- Gather and advocate for customer feedback and insights on DLP and AIP functionality and usability.
- Collaborate with other Microsoft teams to ensure alignment and consistency in delivering DLP and AIP solutions and services.
- Participate in cross-functional initiatives and projects to drive continuous improvement in Microsoft's data protection offerings.
- Contribute to product documentation, including support articles, whitepapers, and training materials.
- Provide guidance and support during compliance audits, including documentation review and evidence collection.
- Engage with Microsoft engineering teams to address complex technical challenges and enhance product capabilities.
- Prioritize and manage incoming support cases related to DLP and AIP solutions.
- Develop custom sensitive information types (SITs) and policy rules for customers based on their business needs.
- Assist customers in understanding DLP policy enforcement options and AIP labeling requirements.
- Identify opportunities for upselling and cross-selling additional DLP and AIP features and services to customers.
- Stay up-to-date on the latest developments in DLP and AIP technologies and industry trends.
- Provide exceptional customer service and maintain high levels of customer satisfaction.
- Conduct regular follow-ups with customers to ensure the successful resolution of DLP and AIP issues and address any remaining concerns.
- Analyze trends in customer support tickets to identify recurring issues and proactively implement solutions or enhancements.
- Collaborate with the Microsoft community to share knowledge and best practices for DLP and AIP implementation and support.

📖 EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

Delhi University - *2021*
Bachelor's Degree

N.P. Girls Senior Secondary School - *2016*
Intermediate (CBSE Board)

ⓘ ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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Dear Hiring Manager,

I am excited to apply for the Cybersecurity position that you have advertised. With over 04 years of experience in the field of cybersecurity, I am confident that I have the skills and knowledge necessary to make a valuable contribution to your team.

As an experienced cybersecurity professional, I have had the opportunity to work on a variety of projects, from developing and implementing security policies to conducting risk assessments and vulnerability testing. My expertise in data protection includes a deep understanding of cloud app security, information protection, data leakage prevention and incident response procedures.

In my current role as a L2 Cybersecurity Consultant at Cognizant, I am leading a team of security professionals responsible for protecting the organization's critical data and infrastructure. I developed and implemented security protocols that significantly reduced the risk of data breaches and ensured compliance with regulatory requirements. I also conducted regular security assessments and worked closely with cross-functional teams to identify and mitigate potential security risks.

I hold several industry certifications, including various Microsoft Certifications: SC-400, SC-200, AZ-500, AZ-900, SC-900, MS-900, Microsoft 365 Copilot and Generative AI. I am also well-versed in industry standards such as ISO 2700, PCI DSS and GDPR.

I am excited about the opportunity to bring my expertise to your organization and make a meaningful impact on your cybersecurity efforts. Thank you for considering my application.

Sincerely,

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