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## Do You Know Your Organization's Top 10 Security Risks?

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What does the data tell you about your organization's Top Security Risks?



# Agenda

## Aetna's custom approach

- 5 Steps to identifying/determining Top 10 security risks
- Key factors to success and metrics
- Steps to kick off a similar program in your organization

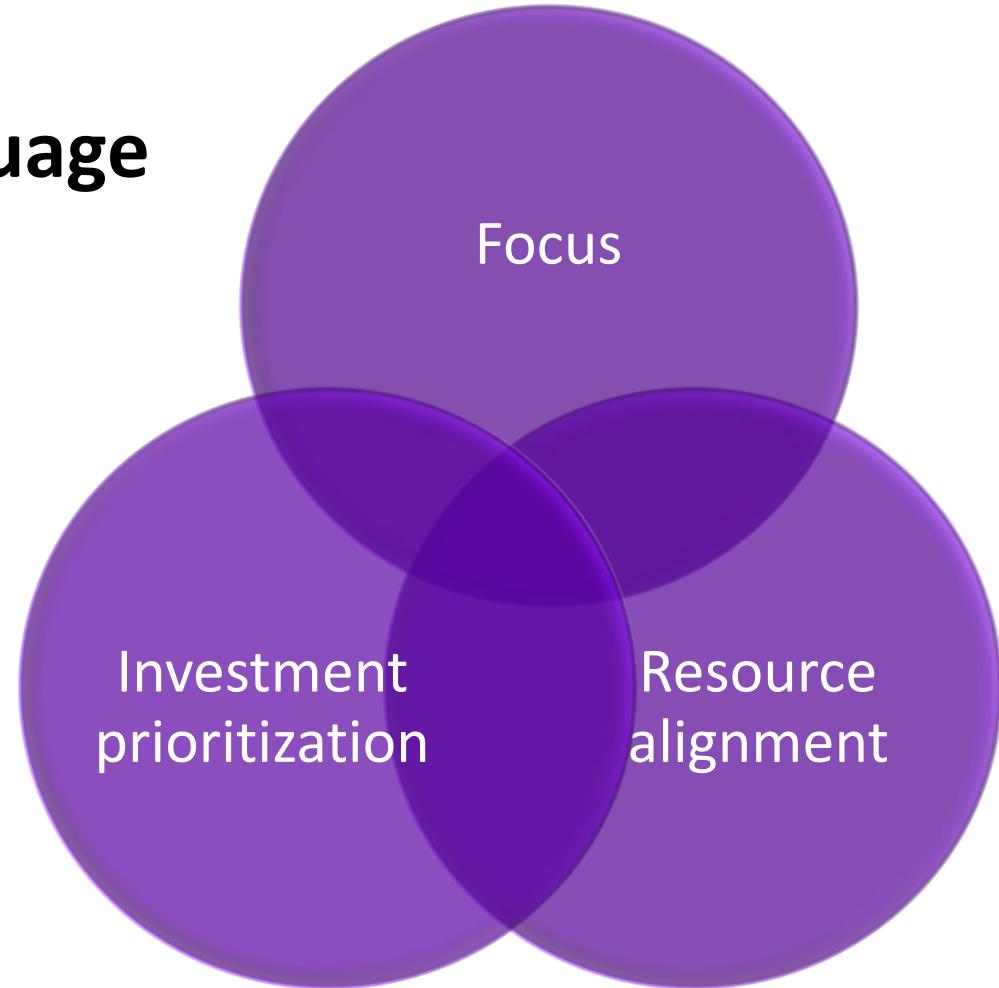


# 5 Steps to Identifying/Determining Top 10 Security Risks



# 5 Steps to Top 10 Security Risks

1. Establish a **governance process**
2. Define a **common security risk language**
3. Identify **risk input**
4. Transform **risk input**
5. **Prioritization**



# 1. Governance

Security Steering Committee, Enterprise Risk Management, Compliance, Internal/External Audit, etc.

Dedicated resources for governance

Security Leadership Team

Consistency is the key

Security Risk Owner

Establish a governance workflow

Security Risk Management

Review and monitor risks and related mitigation efforts

Provide metrics and analysis to Leadership Team

Upstream and downstream risk communication

Stakeholders, Affiliates, Third Party Partners, Employees

## 2. Common security risk language – security risk categories

Driven by Security framework(s)



- Frameworks (see Appendix A)
  - NIST 800–53 (Government)
  - COBIT (General)
  - ISO 27001 (Certificate)

**Security Risk Categories**

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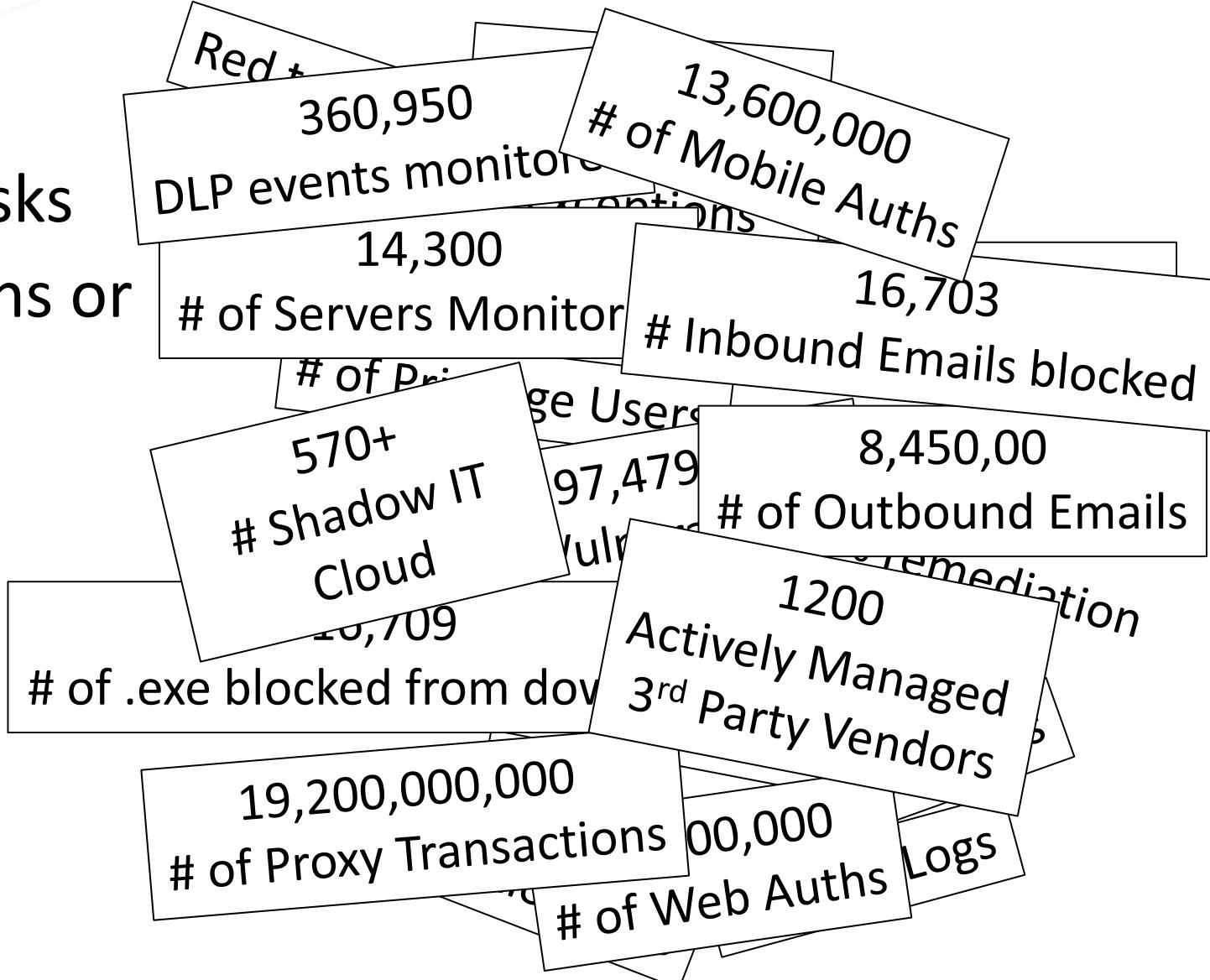
**Family of control standards**

## 2. Common security risk language – risk categories

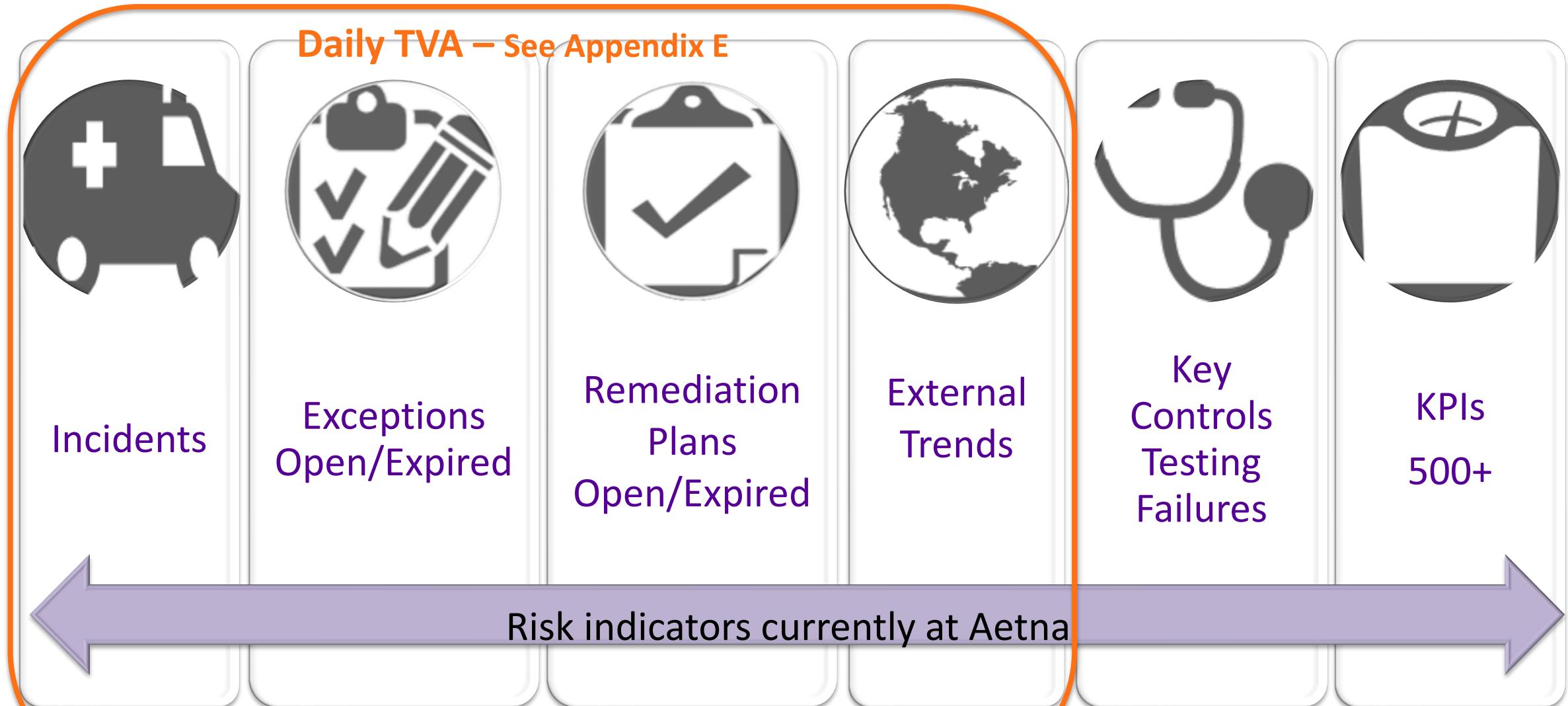
Aetna risk categories			
Access Management	Data Protection Management	Network & Communications Security	Security Intelligence
Audit and Accountability	Endpoint Protection	Personnel Security	Security Management
Business Continuity Management	Event, Incident, & Problem Management	Physical Security	Security Operations
Crisis Management	IT Hygiene	Risk Management	Software Security
16 high-level categories, 30 sub-categories – See Appendix B			

### 3. Risk input

- Indicators of Security Risks
- Risk Management Actions or Controls Activities
- External Trends



### 3. Risk input –your company's indicators of risks



### 3. Risk input– your company's control activities



Control  
Standard  
600+



Exceptions –  
Closed



Remediation  
Plans – Closed



KPIs  
500+



Analytic  
Models  
300+

Control activities currently at Aetna

## 4. Transforming risk input - why and how?



Risk data are facts, numbers, evidence



Risk data trended and interpreted is  
risk information



Risk information + insight/experience =  
risk knowledge

(See Appendix A on Knowledge Management)

# 4. Transforming risk input – how? (see Appendix A)

Sources of risk input
Incidents
Key Controls Testing failure
Open/Expired/Closed Exceptions
Open/Expired/Closed Remediation Plans
# of Control Standards
# of KPIs
Data Analytics Models



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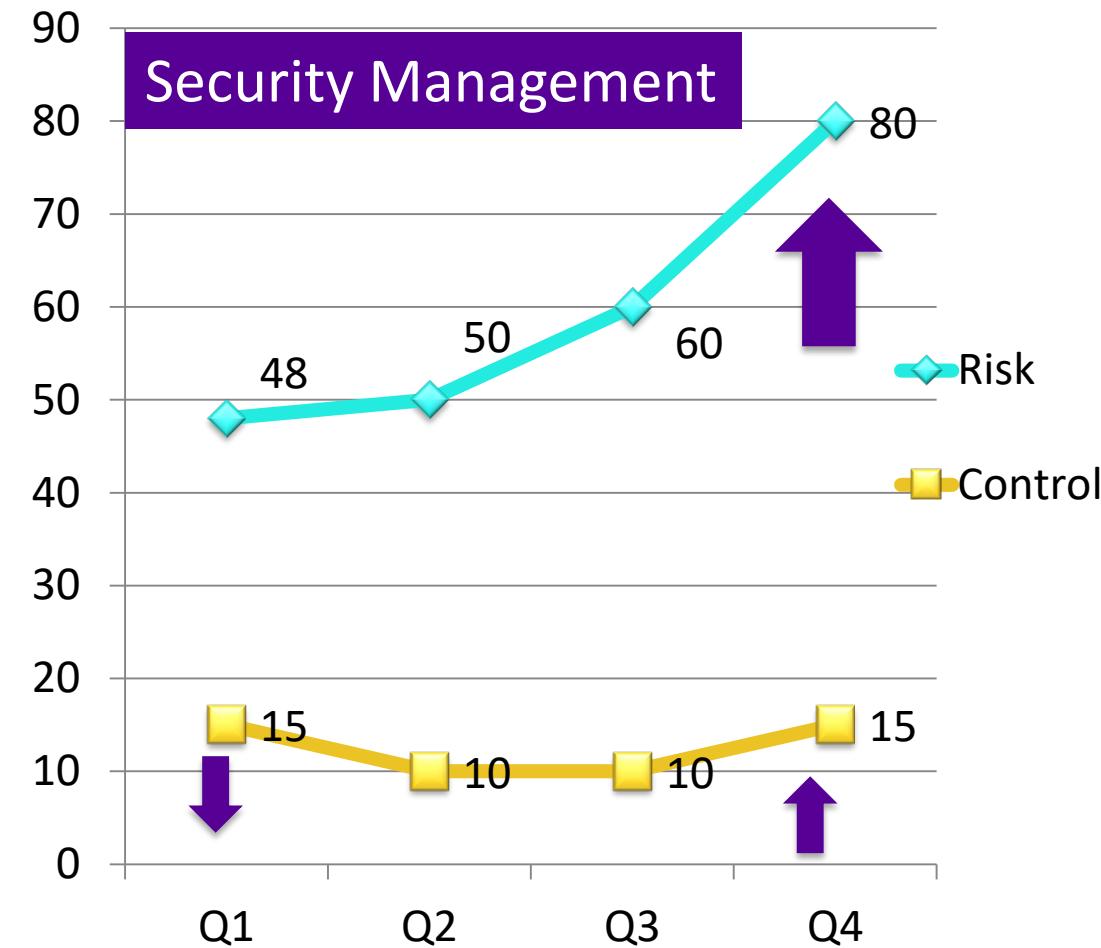
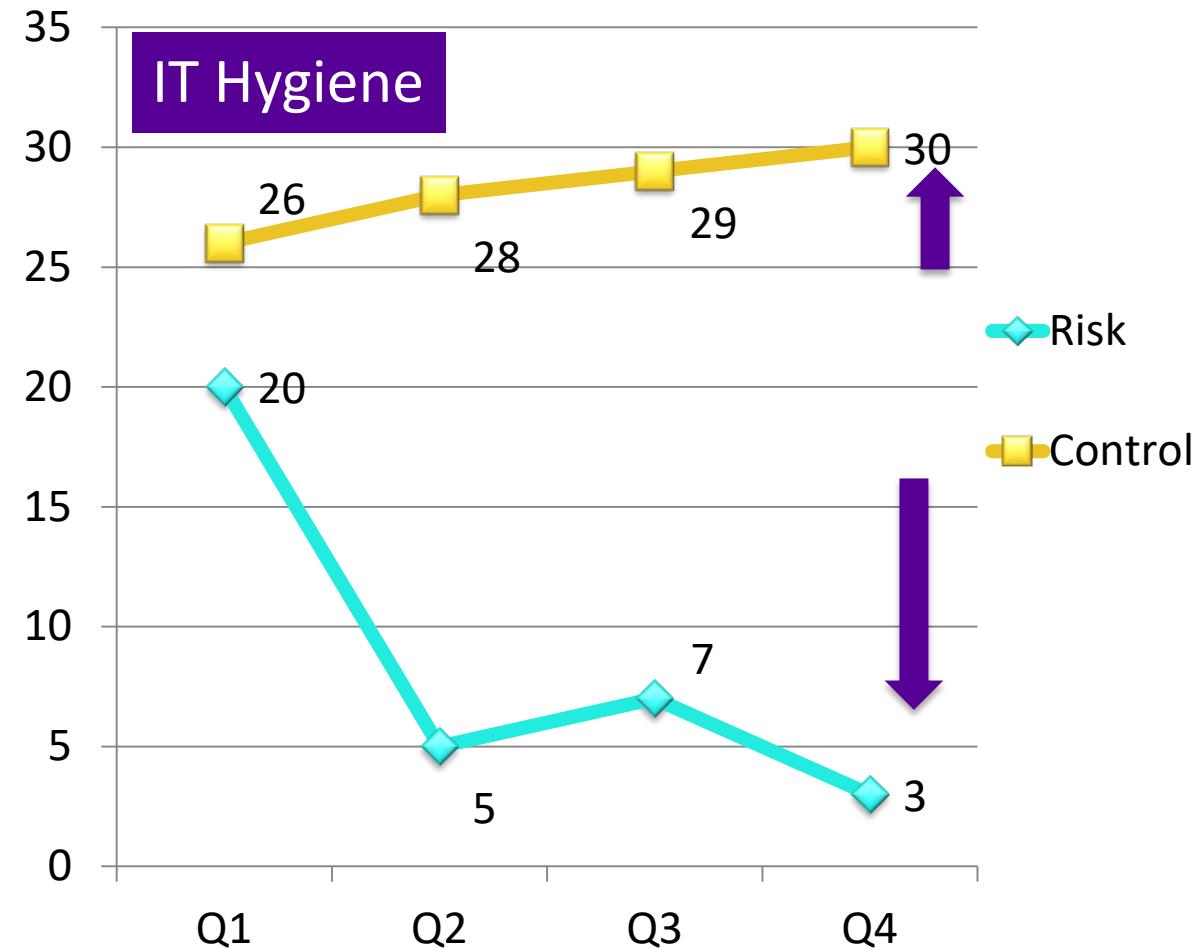
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Risk Input	Security Risk Category				
	Access Mgmt.	Data Protection Mgmt.	IT Hygiene	Network and Comm. Security	Security Mgmt.
Incidents	5	3	7	1	25
Key Controls Testing Failures	0	0	3	1	8
Open/Expired Exceptions	10	20	1	1	5
Open/Expired Remediation plans	5	15	4	0	10
# of Control Standards	1	4	2	3	0
# of KPIs	4	3	2	3	0
Closed Exceptions	5	15	3	5	10
Closed Remediation Plan	10	2	20	2	5
Data Analytics Models	5	5	1	1	0
Projects Closed	1	1	2	0	0

## 4. Transforming risk input

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Hypothesis and deeper dive



# 5. Prioritization (see Appendix C)

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**Priority Risk Score :**  
 $( ((\text{Impact} + \text{Likelihood})/2 ) * \text{Control Effectiveness} )$

## 5. Prioritization example

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Risk Category	Q4 Risk	Q4 Control Effectiveness	Q4 Residual Risk
Access Management	3	0.4	1.2
Data Protection Management	3	0.6	1.8*
IT Hygiene	4	0.4	1.6*
Network and Communications Security	3	0.2	0.6
Security Management	4	0.6	2.4*

## 5. Security risks example – Deeper dive

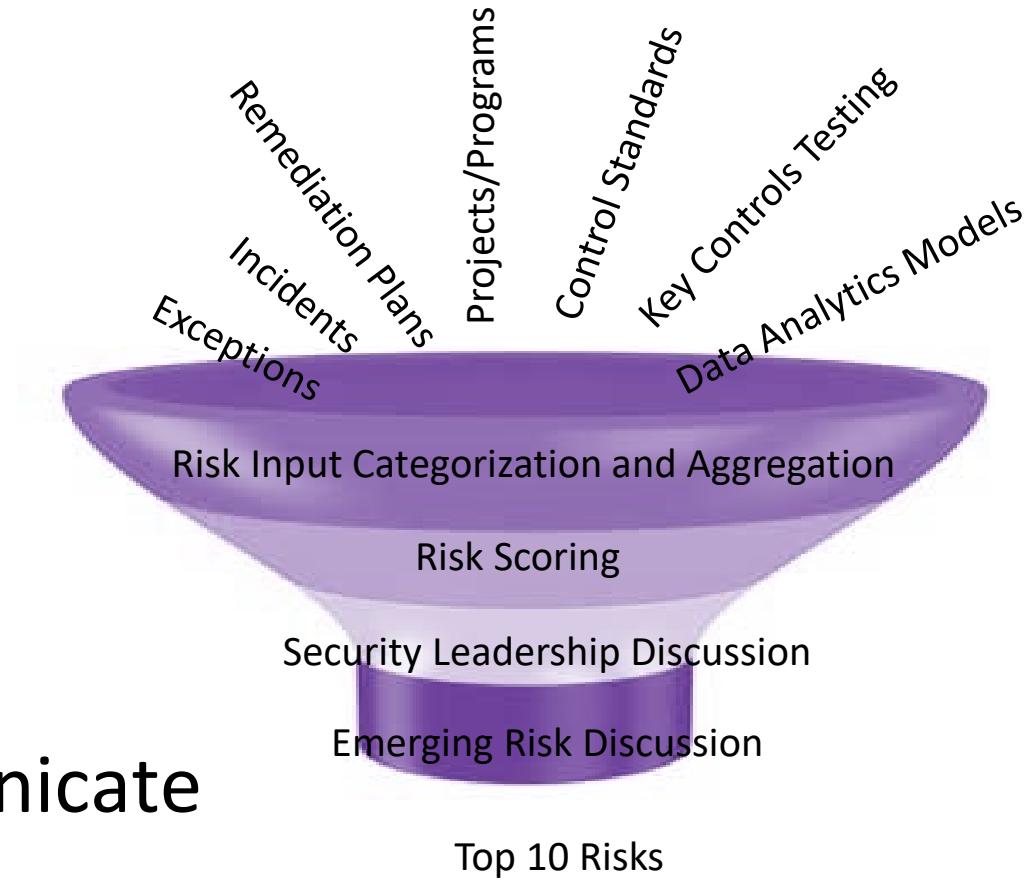
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Security Risks	Q4 Risk	Q4 Risk Management	Q4 Residual Risk
Security Management – vendor/3 <sup>rd</sup> party security governance	4	0.6	2.4
Data Protection – data protection program among vendors/3 <sup>rd</sup> parties	3	0.6	1.8
IT Hygiene – asset integration from newly acquired company	4	0.4	1.6

# Now Create

(See Appendix D)

- Quarterly Top 10 Security Risk Review Including
  - Top 10 security risks supported by
  - Aggregated data and trends with
  - Risk scoring for each Top 10 Risk, adding
  - Company insight + experience to
  - Prioritize top security risks, and
  - Emerging risk discussion
- Communicate, communicate, communicate



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## **Key Factors to Success and Metrics**

A complex, abstract network graph graphic composed of numerous thin, light-blue lines connecting small, semi-transparent blue dots. The lines form a dense web of connections that radiate from a central point, creating a visual metaphor for data flow, connectivity, and success metrics.

# Key Factors to Success

- Senior leadership buy-in
- Dedicated resources
- Consistent language of risk
- Educate, educate, educate
- Automate, automate, automate



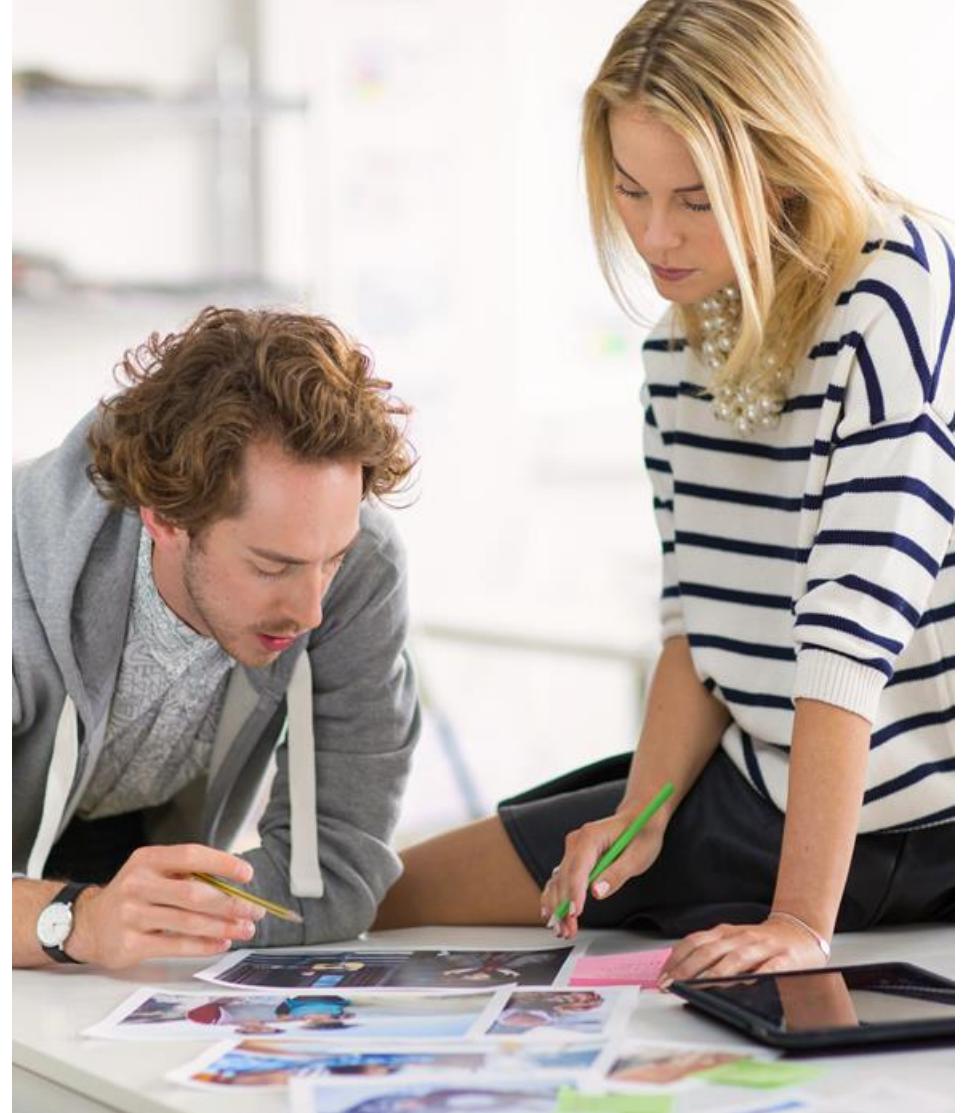
# Key Metrics

## Existing

- # of risk inputs with embedded risk categories
- Risk score by Top Security Risks

## Future - Formal and more granular

- Risk score by Security Risk Categories
- Emerging Risk Insight by Security Risk Categories

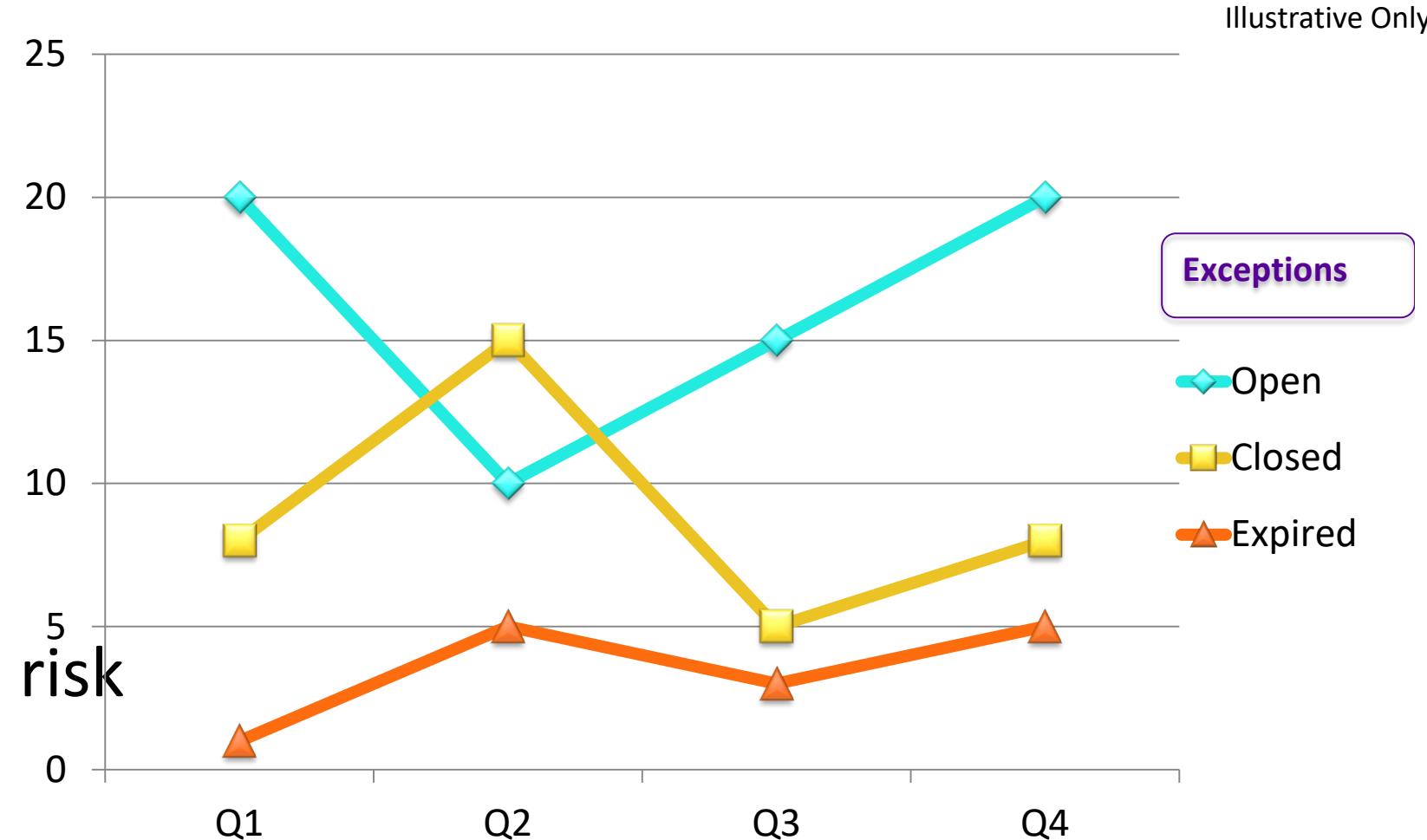


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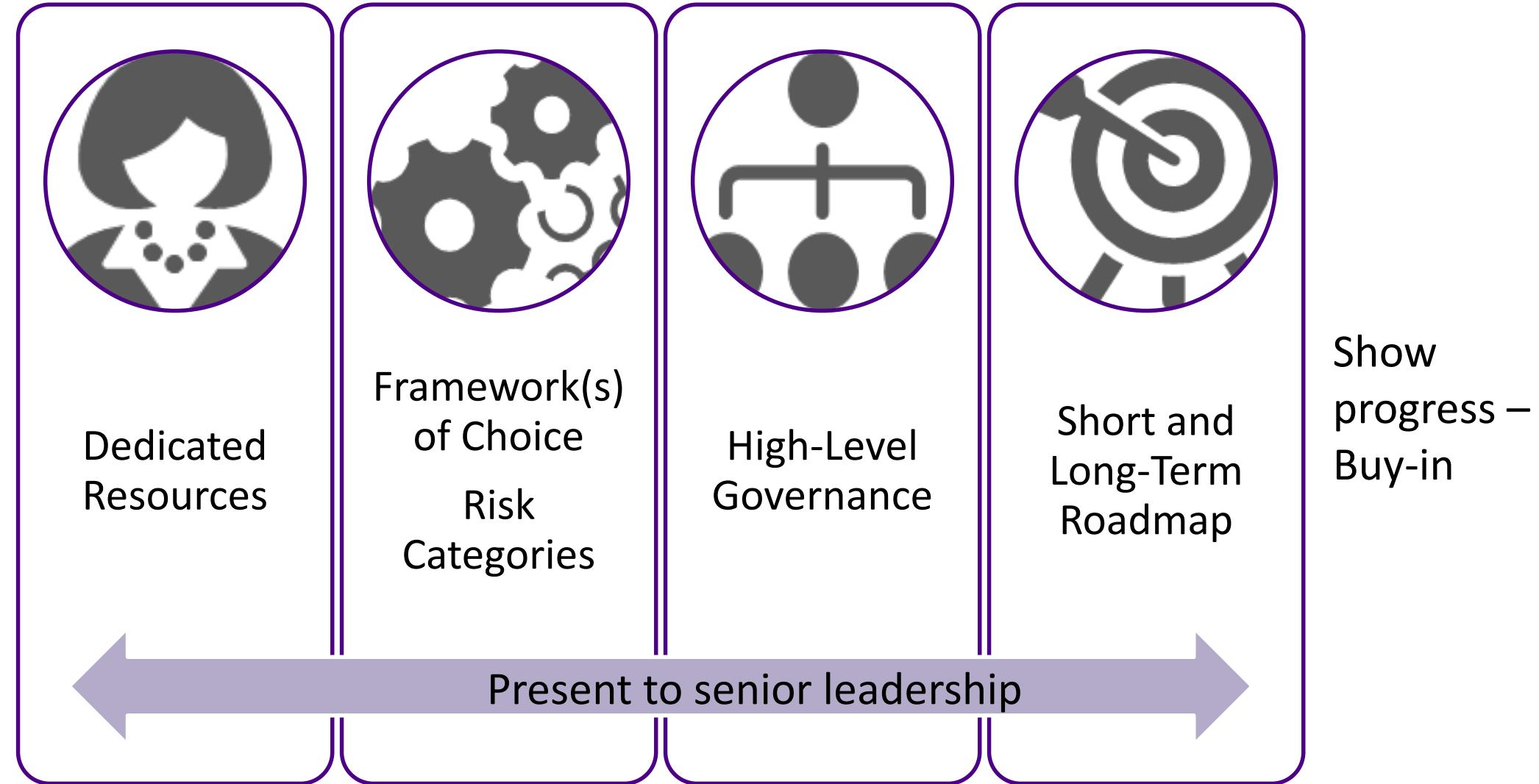


# Apply: Next Week – determine what you already have

- Input
  - Measurements
  - metrics or
  - Key Performance Indicators
- Risk Trends
- Reporting (risk and risk management)



# Apply: First three months



# Apply: within six months

- Align risk categories to risk input (could lengthy)
- Educate, educate, educate
  - Owners of risk inputs
  - Contributors to risk input
- Report and determine improvement opportunities (e.g., automation)
- Repeat with the cycle

# Questions?



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## Appendix A

### Additional Resources

# Resources

## NIST 800-53

- <https://csrc.nist.gov/publications/detail/sp/800-53/rev-4/final>

## COBIT 5

- <https://www.isaca.org/COBIT/Pages/COBIT-5-Framework-product-page.aspx>
- <https://www.techrepublic.com/blog/it-security/cobit-5-for-information-security-the-underlying-principles/>
- <http://www.isaca.org/cobit/pages/info-sec.aspx>

## ISO 27001

- <https://www.iso.org/isoiec-27001-information-security.html>
- <https://www.iso.org/obp/ui/#iso:std:iso-iec:27001:ed-2:v1:en>

# Resources

## Knowledge Management

- <https://searchdatamanagement.techtarget.com/feature/Defining-data-information-and-knowledge>
- <http://www.knowledge-management-tools.net/knowledge-information-data.html>

## Other good resources about Security Risk Management

- New York DFS Cybersecurity  
<https://www.dfs.ny.gov/legal/regulations/adoptions/dfsrf500txt.pdf>

# Transforming risk input - example

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## Data ?

- 150,000 events seen in DLP daily
- 1,000,000,000 of transactions logged at Web Proxy daily
- 300 applications containing the crown jewels

## Information ?

- 60% of DLP events pertain to Third Parties/Vendors
- 89% of applications with crown jewels have no security defects
- 3 websites of risk score 7 or higher are blocked in June

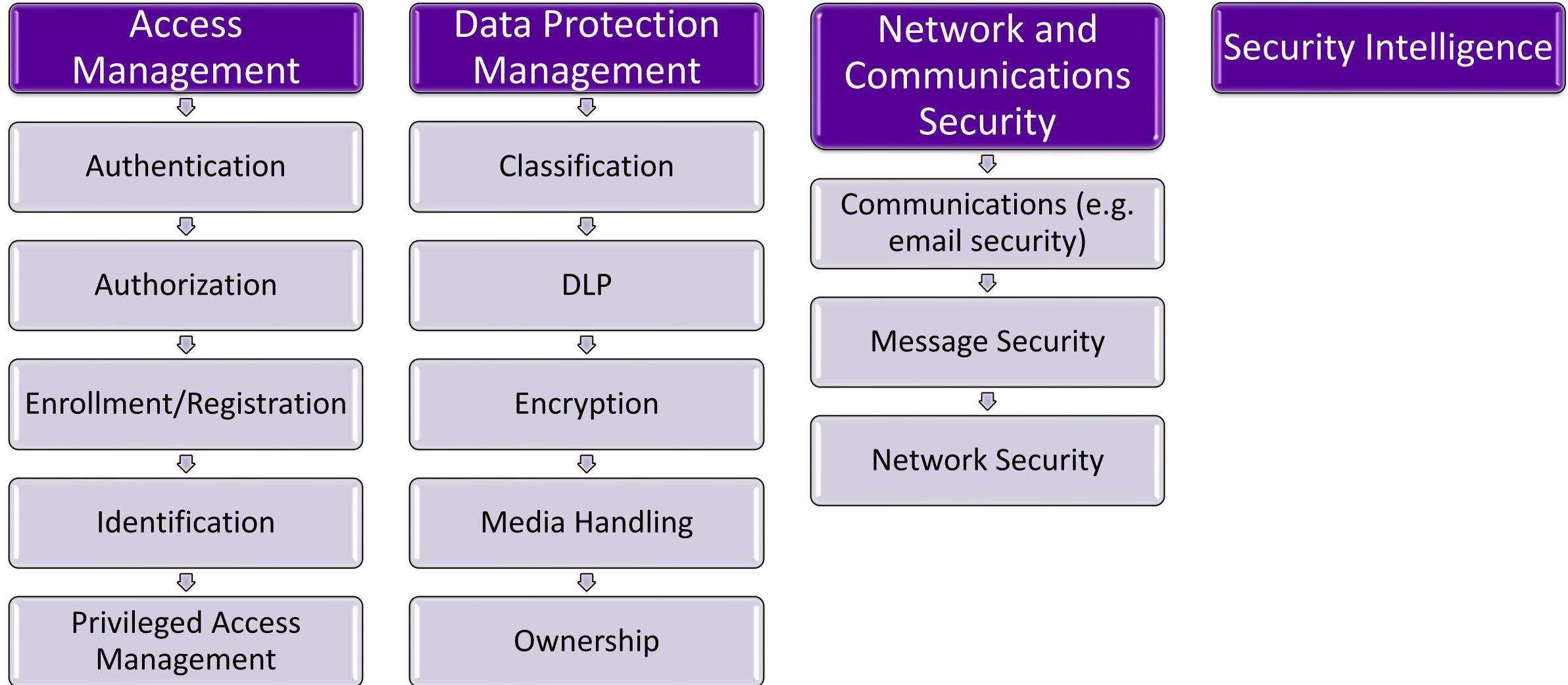
## Knowledge ?

- Increased third party vendor use of cloud
- Active exchange of crown jewel data via email

## **Appendix B**

### **Aetna Security Risk Categories - Subcategories**

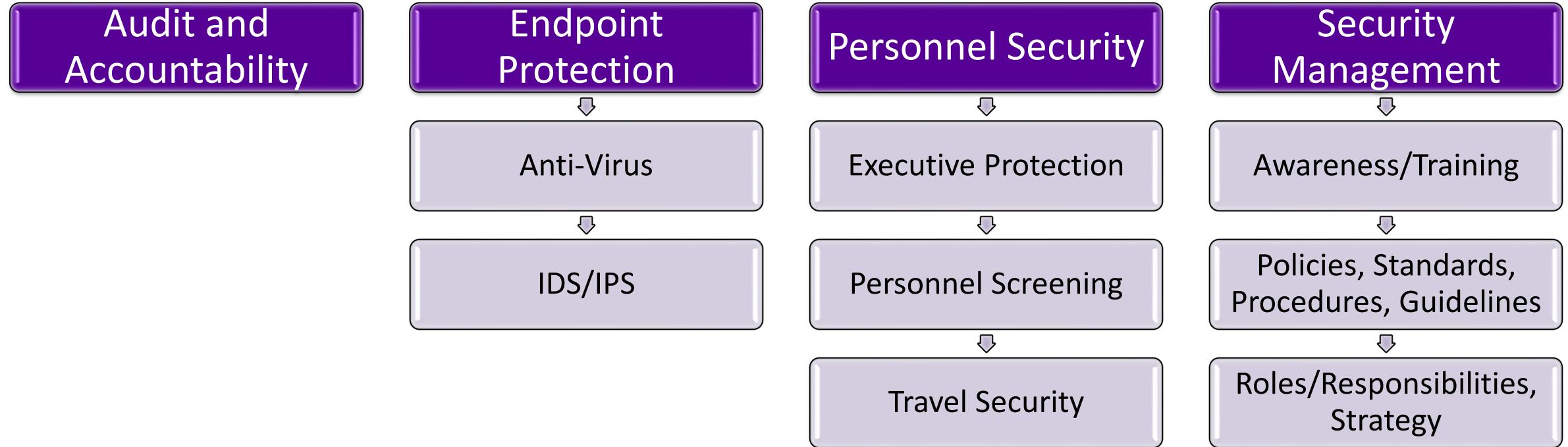
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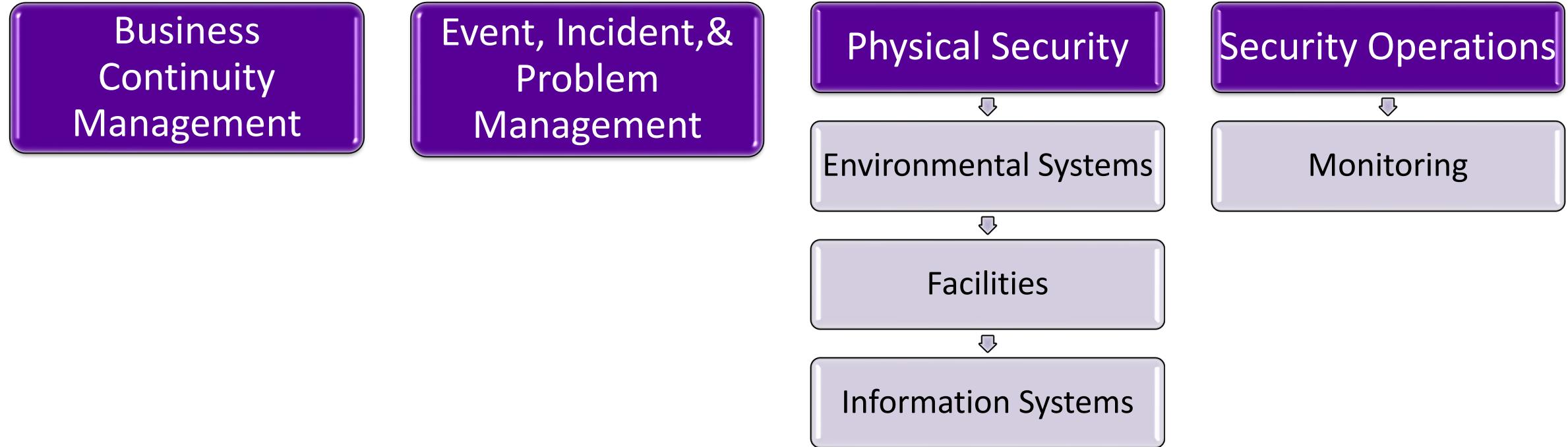
# Risk Category definitions

<b>Access Management</b>	<b>Authorization and authentication of personnel prior to granting them access to information resources.</b>
<b>Authentication</b>	Verifying the identity of a user, process, or device, often as a prerequisite to allowing access to resources in an information system.
<b>Authorization</b>	Decision given to authorize a user, process, or device based on an agreed-upon set of security controls.
<b>Enrollment / Registration</b>	The enrollment process is based on a set of policies or is manually controlled by the owner of the resource.
<b>Identification</b>	Creation, management, and deletion of identities without regard to access or entitlements.
<b>Privileged Access Management</b>	The management of the processes to control/monitor a user that is authorized to perform security-relevant functions that ordinary users are not authorized to perform.

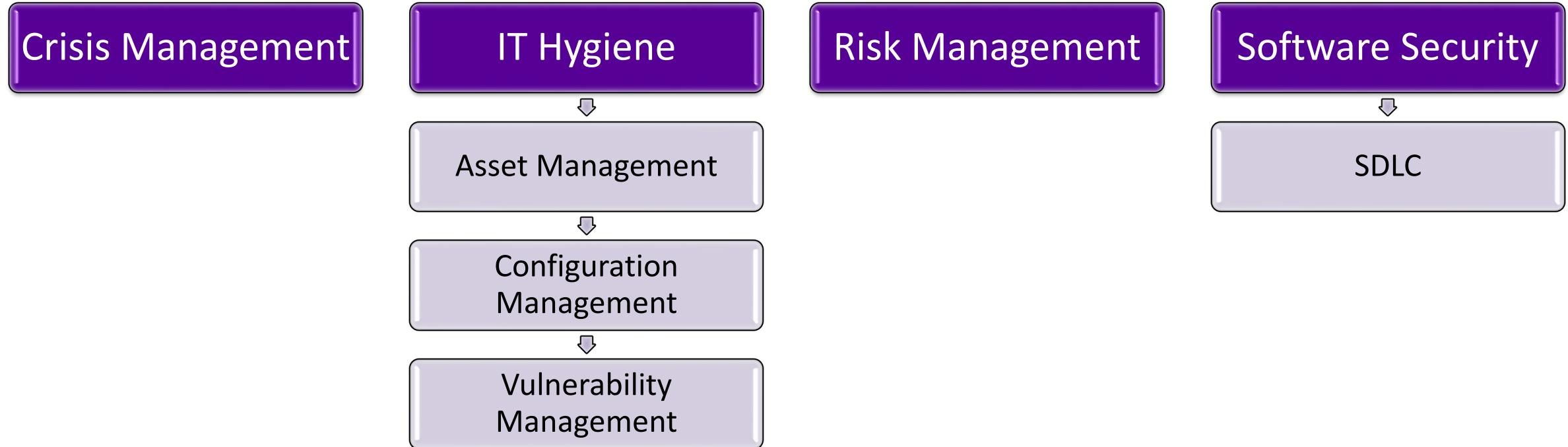
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## Appendix C

### Risk Scoring

# Risk Scoring References

- OWASP -  
[https://www.owasp.org/index.php/OWASP Risk Rating Methodology#Step 2: Factors for Estimating Likelihood](https://www.owasp.org/index.php/OWASP_Risk_Rating_Methodology#Step_2:_Factors_for_Estimating_Likelihood)
- NIST - [https://csrc.nist.gov/projects/risk-management/risk-management-framework-\(rmf\)-overview/security-categorization](https://csrc.nist.gov/projects/risk-management/risk-management-framework-(rmf)-overview/security-categorization)

# Prioritization

## Global Security Risk Scoring Tool

Impact	Likelihood	Control Effectiveness
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Critical (5)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Almost Certain (5)	<input type="radio"/> No controls in place or mostly ineffective (1.0)
<input type="radio"/> High (4)	<input type="radio"/> Probable (4)	<input type="radio"/> Controls are rarely effective (0.8)
<input type="radio"/> Medium (3)	<input type="radio"/> Possible (3)	<input type="radio"/> Controls are effective on some occasions (0.6)
<input type="radio"/> Low (2)	<input type="radio"/> Unlikely (2)	<input type="radio"/> Controls effective on most occasions (0.4)
<input type="radio"/> Very Low (1)	<input type="radio"/> Rare (1)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Controls are highly effective (0.2)

Inherent Risk - 5.0

$$(\text{Impact} + \text{Likelihood})/2 = (5+5)/2 = 5$$

Residual Risk – 1.0

$$\text{Inherent Risk} * \text{Control Effectiveness} = 5 * 0.2 = 1$$

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# Top security risks - example

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Risk: Use of third parties to host data and provide cloud services.

## Impact: Critical (5) -

- Severe impact to member and reputation
- Severe degradation in mission, not able to perform primary function

## Likelihood: Almost Certain (5) –

- Impacting factors outside the control of the organization
- Complex internal process with minimal checks and balances

## Known Mitigations - Control Effectiveness (0.4) = Controls are mostly effective

- Third-Party Penetration Testing
- Tiered Security Assessments
- Third-Party Security Controls
- Annual Aetna Global Security Third-Party Conference

Inherent Risk = (5+5) / 2 = 5.0 (Critical)

Residual Risk = 5.0 \* 0.4 = 2.0 (Low-Medium)

## Appendix D

### Quarterly Top Security Risks

Q4



# Current Top Security Risks

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Risk Themes	Impact	Likelihood	Inherent Risk	Control Effectiveness	Residual Risk	
1. Use of third parties to host data and provide cloud services	Medium (3)	Almost Certain (5)	High	Mostly Ineffective (1.0)	4	High
2. Asset inventory is not complete	Critical (5)	Almost Certain (5)	Critical	Occasionally Effective (0.6)	3	Medium
3. Handling of sensitive data within business processes	Critical (5)	Almost Certain (5)	Critical	Occasionally Effective (0.6)	3	Medium

# Current Top Security Risks – illustration only

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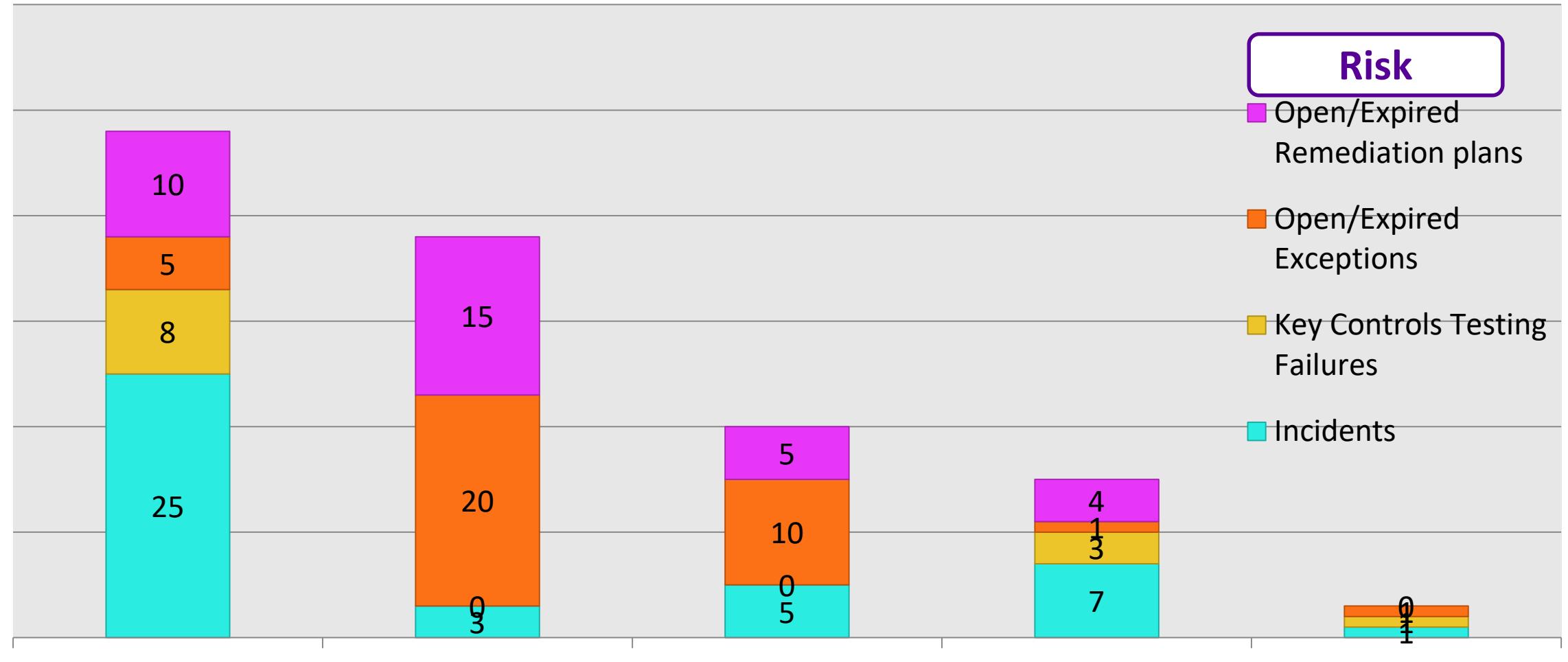
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# Emerging Risk/Risk Categories

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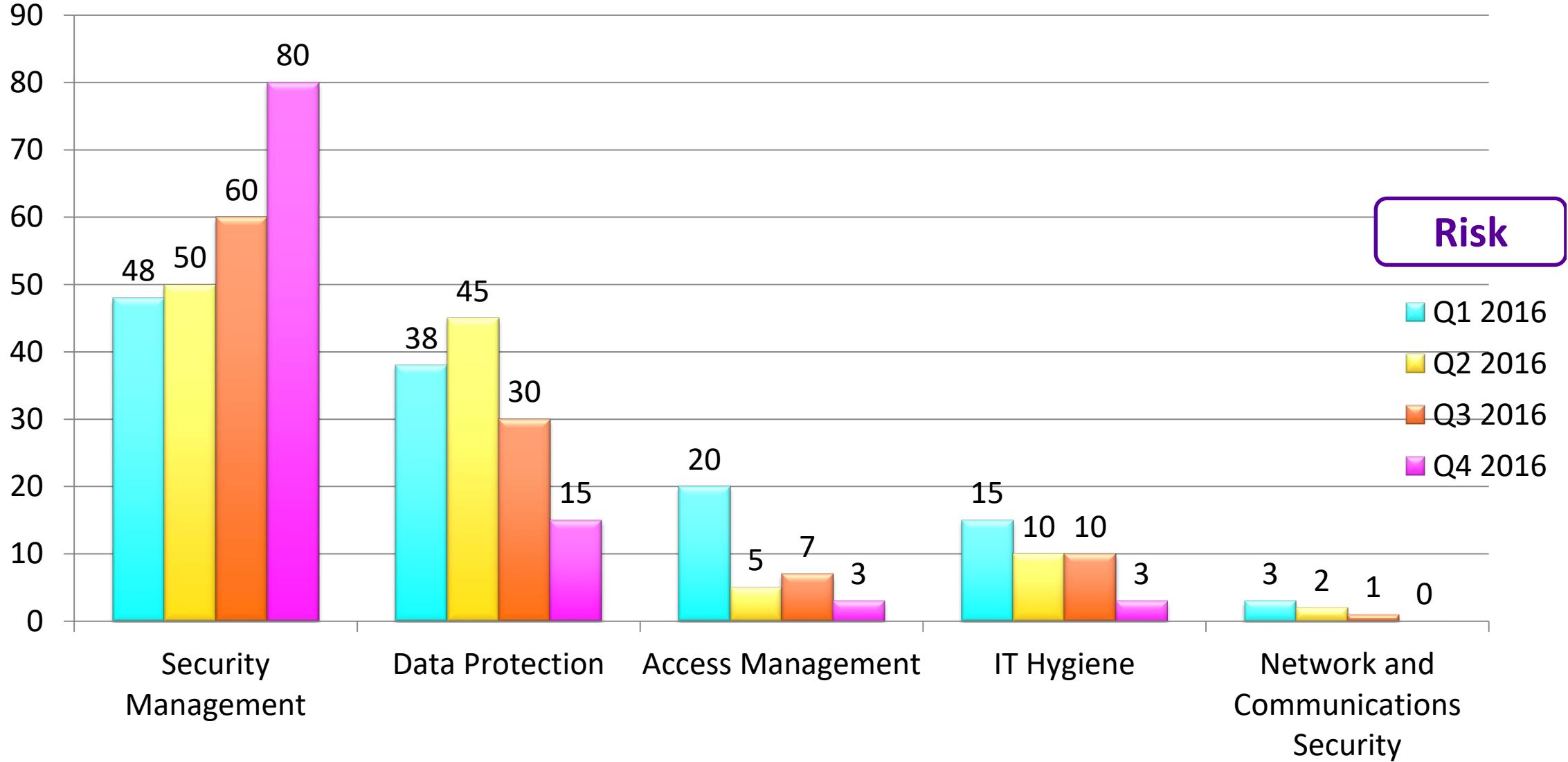
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Network and Communications Security	1	1	1	0	3	3	5	2	1	0	

# Emerging Risk Categories – Q4 2016 view



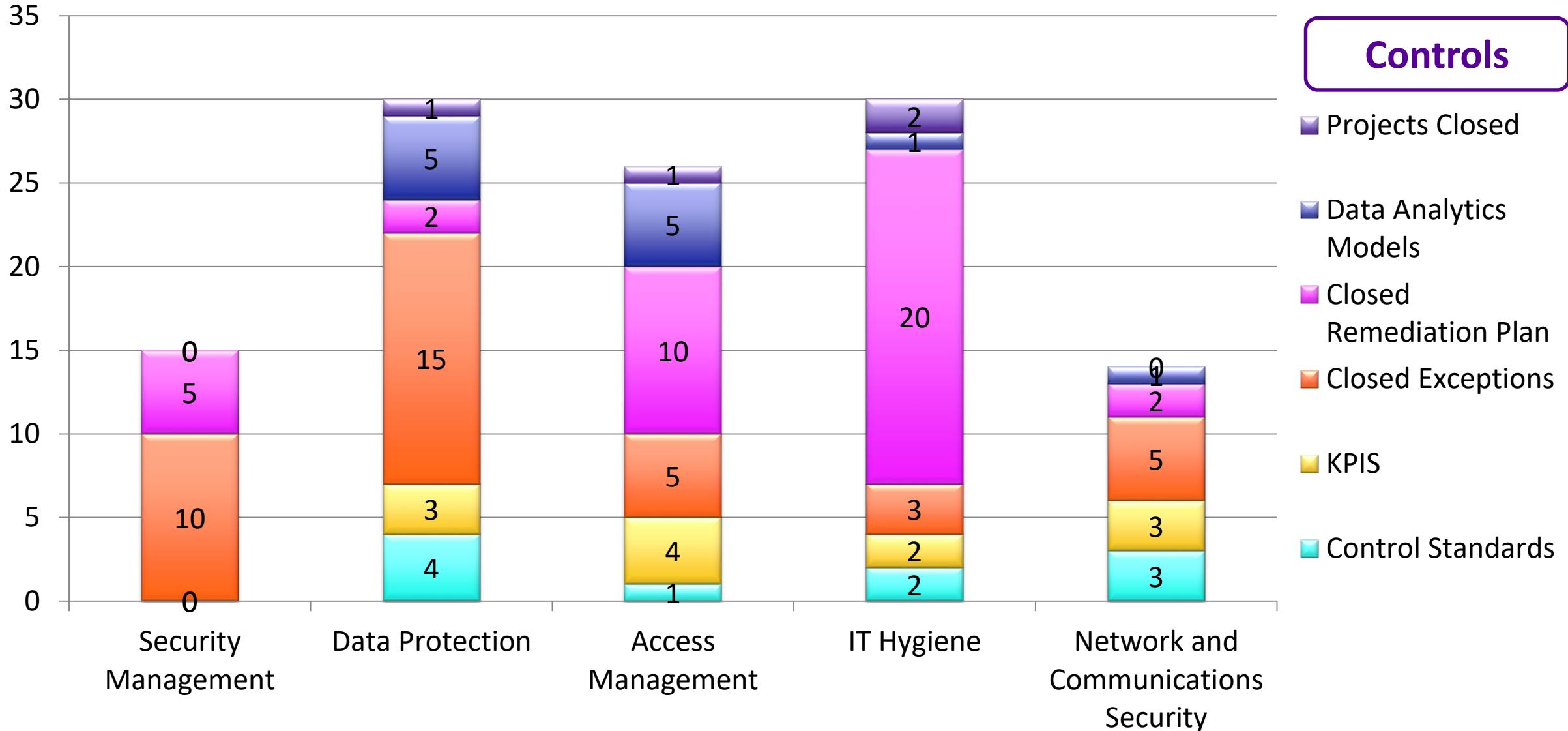
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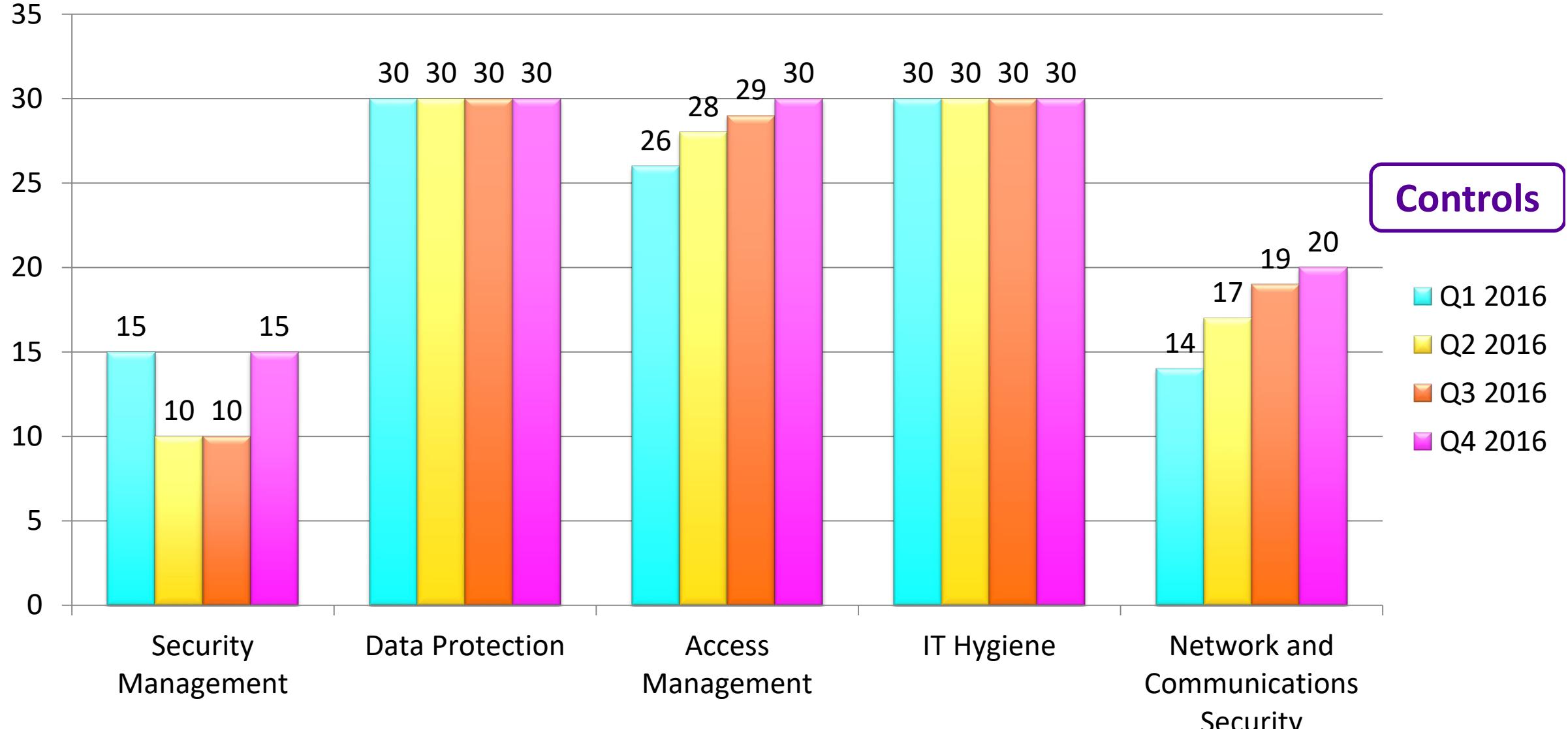
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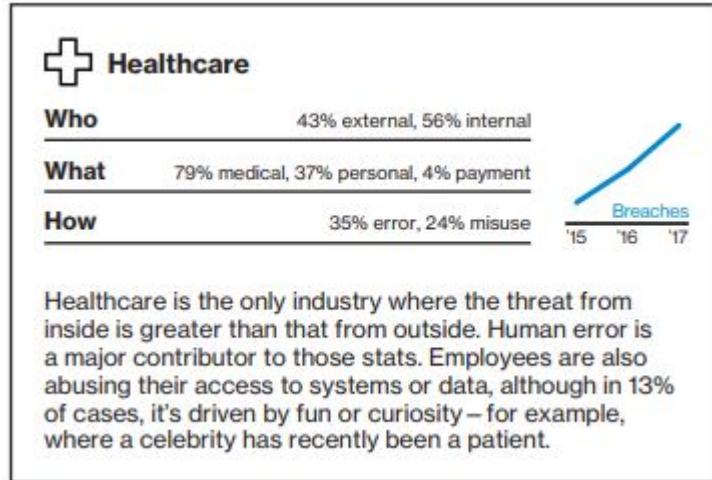
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# Emerging Risk - External Trends Example

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## Healthcare Insider Threats



"Verizon 2018 DBIR" produced by verizon.com

## Evolution of Ransomware:

- Used in completely opportunistic attacks affecting individuals' home computers as well as targeted strikes against organizations
- Attempted with little risk or cost to the adversary involved
- Successful with no reliance on having to monetize stolen data
- Deployed across numerous devices in organizations to inflict bigger impacts and thus command bigger ransoms

# Discussion points

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- 3<sup>rd</sup> Party/Vendor Management continues to be a leading risk/Top Security risks
- Significant risk management activities on data protection with reduction of risk events.
  - Should this remain a Top 10 Security risk?
- New Emerging risk.....

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## Appendix E

Daily TVA



# Threat Vulnerability Assessment (TVA) Categories

Input Category	Purpose	Sources
Security Incidents	Review of open security events and incidents requiring corrective actions or remediation plans.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cyber Incidents, tracked via the eGRC Incident Response</li> </ul>
Cyber Threat Fusion Center	Monitor and inspect inbound activity for suspicious patterns that may indicate a network or system attack from someone attempting to break into or compromise a system.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Network IDS</li> <li>Endpoint Malware Detection</li> <li>Phishing Detection</li> </ul>
Inside-Out Analysis	Monitor and inspect outbound activity for suspicious or anomalous behavior that may indicate a compromised device or malicious insider.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Proxy alerts</li> <li>Data Loss Prevention</li> <li>Enterprise Cloud Risk Usage</li> </ul>
Physical Security	Review inputs from Physical Security for potential IT Security impact, including security incident, business disruptions, and world events.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Weather</li> <li>Business Continuity</li> <li>Physical on premise incidents</li> <li>Geopolitical events</li> </ul>
External Trends	A review of external cyber threats that impact Aetna's threat landscape including brand protection, malware, non-Aetna data breaches, and other threat intelligence items.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Commercial Intelligence</li> <li>Industry Sharing Intelligence</li> </ul>
Infrastructure	Review infrastructure vulnerabilities and other threats impacting infrastructure health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>System Patching</li> <li>Vulnerability exploits</li> <li>Infrastructure control gaps</li> </ul>
Applications	A review of Application vulnerability remediation tools and processes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Vulnerabilities in prod (dynamic)</li> <li>Vulnerabilities in build (static)</li> <li>Application attacks</li> <li>Botnet defense</li> </ul>
Internal Composite	A review of internal events impacting Aetna's risk posture.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Risk exceptions</li> <li>UBA Workforce Analytics</li> <li>Privacy &amp; Reg. Conference 2019</li> </ul>