ITSEC

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Risk Management

Risk

- potential for loss, damage or destruction of assets or data caused by a cyber threat.
- Planning

Risk Avoidance

Risk Management

• Process of identifying and controlling risks facing an org

Risk Identification

- Process of examining an org's current info tech security situation
- Identify and inventory assets
- Classify and prioritize assets
- · Identify and prioritize assets

Risk Control

Applying controls to reduce risks to an org's data and info system

Inherent Risk

Risk Management

- Risk Against Asset
- Know yourself
- Know the enemy
- Know your security posture

Risk Identification -> Risk Assessment -> Risk Control

STEPS

- 1. Identify
- 2. Classify
- 3. Valuate
- 4. Prioritize

THEN

- 1. Threat identify
- 2. Vulnerability id
- 3. Risk assessment

1. RISK IDENTIFICATION

Components of RI

- a. Plan and organize the process
- b. Categorize system components
- c. Inventory and categorize assets
- d. classify and prioritize assets
- e. Identify and prioritize threats
- f. Specify asset vulnerabilities

Examples

- a. Assets
 - i. Data center
 - ii. Portal
 - iii. Community
 - iv. Switch and router
 - v. Rooms
- b. Traditional system components
 - i. People
 - ii. Procedure

- iii. Data
- iv. Software
- v. Hardware

2. DATA CLASSIFICATION AND MANAGEMENT

- Varity of classification schemes used by corporate and military org
- o Info owners responsible for classifying their info assets
- Info class must be reviewed periodically
- o For budget- prioritize
- o Confidential, internal, public data
- Classification must be specific
- Categories must be comprehensive

3. INFORMATION ASSET VALUATION

- Ask questions
 - Is most criteria to organizations success
 - Generates the most revenue/profitability
 - Would be the most expensive to replace or protect
 - Would be the most embarrassing or greatest liability is revealed

4. INFORMATION PRIORITIZATION

- Weighted factor analysis
- Example
 - Criteria 1 impact to revenue
 - Criteria 2 profitability
 - Criteria 3 public image
- Weighted score increase also priority increase
- Prioritizing threats
 - Threat assessment
 - □ Which threat present danger to assets
 - □ Which threat represents the most danger
 - Threat information security examples
 - ☐ Components to intellectual property
 - □ Explore or trespass
 - □ Forces of nature
 - □ Human error or failure
 - □ Info extortion

Vulnerability identification

Vulnerabilities

- Specific avenues threat agents can exploit to attack an info asset are called exploit vulnerabilities
- Examine how each threat could be perpetrated and list org's assets and vulnerabilities
- Process works best when people with diverse backgrounds within org work iteratively in a series of brainstorming sessions

Risk Assessment

- Evaluates the relative risk for each vulnerability
- Assigns a risk rating or score to each info assets
- The goal at this point create a method for evaluating the relative risk of each listed vulnerability Risk Determination

Risk = likelihood of occurrence * value of the info asset - % of risk mitigated by current controls + uncertainty of current knowledge of vulnerability

In short R=L+AV(L)-C(L)+U(L)

Likelihood (0.1-1.0)